Properties of Rotations, Reflections, and Translations- Guided Lesson Explanation

Explanation#1

Note that the first important term in the problem that we can identify is the word **reflection**. Reflections are a transformation where one figure is the mirror image of another. Sometimes it's referred to as a flip. So, when a point is reflected over the x- axis, the y- coordinate changes sign.

We will start with the point N(20, 30) and the x-axis.

Now we have to find the mirror image of the point on the other side of the line. Therefore N is 30 units above the y-axis, N' is 30 units below the y-axis (negative). The x-axis stays at 20 because it is reflected over that axis.



So, the image is N'(20,-30).

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Explanation#2

A rotation is a transformation that turns a figure about a fixed point. It is also called a turn.

We also know that 180° is $\frac{1}{2}$ of a full turn. So, the rotation will turn the point $\frac{1}{2}$ of a full turn in the clockwise direction.



We will start with the point S(2, -5). We will rotate the point S(2, -5) 180° clockwise around the origin from Quadrant IV to Quadrant II. To calculate the exact location, we will imagine (0,0) and S forming opposite corners of a box. Rotate the box, keeping the (0,0) corner fixed.





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Explanation#3

First we have to start with the point F(-3,2). Then we should move 6 units right, as instructed by the translation of 6 units.



So, the image is on F'(3, 2).

