Basic Trigonometric Transformations Student Activity

## Open the TI-Nspire document Basic_Transformations.tns.

In this activity, you will manipulate sliders to change the values of parameters in trigonometric functions and to determine the effect that each change has on the shape of the graph. You will then use this knowledge to write equations for sine and cosine functions.

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Utilize sliders to explore the effects of
changing the parameters $a, b, c$, and $d$ in the
functions $f(x)=a \sin (b x+c)+d$ and
$g(x)=a \cos (b x+c)+d$.

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1. Drag the sliders to change the values of $a$ and $b$ in the function $f(x)=a \sin (b x)$.
a. Describe how the values of $a$ and $b$ affect the shape of the graph.
b. What happens to the graph if $a$ is negative?
c. Complete the following statement:

For $a \neq 0$ and $b>0$, the graph of $f(x)=a \sin (b x)$ has an amplitude of $\qquad$ and a period of $\qquad$ .

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2. Drag the slider to change the value of $d$ in the function $f(x)=\sin (x)+d$.
a. Describe how the value of $d$ affects the shape of the graph.
b. Complete the following statement:

The graph of $f(x)=\sin (x)+d$ has a vertical shift of $\qquad$ .

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3. Drag the slider to change the value of $c$ in the function $f(x)=\sin (x+c)$. Describe how the value of $c$ affects the shape of the graph.

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4. Drag the slider to change the values of $a, b, c$, and $d$ in the function $f(x)=a \sin (b x+c)+d$.
a. Which of the four parameters have an impact on the horizontal shift of the graph?
b. Complete the following statement:

For $a \neq 0$ and $b>0$, the graph of $f(x)=a \sin (b x+c)+d$ has a horizontal shift of $\qquad$ .
5. For functions of the form $f(x)=a \sin (b x+c)+d$ or $g(x)=a \cos (b x+c)+d$, with $a \neq 0$ and $b>0$,
a. the amplitude is $\qquad$ .
b. the period is $\qquad$ .
c. the horizontal shift is $\qquad$ .
d. the vertical shift is $\qquad$ .

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6. The function shown on this page has the equation $\mathbf{f 1}(x)=-1.5 \sin \left(x+\frac{\pi}{4}\right)+4$. Write an equation for a cosine function that will have the same graph.

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7. The function shown on this page has the equation $\mathbf{f}(x)=3 \sin (2 x)-5$. Write an equation for a cosine function that will have the same graph.

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8. a. Write an equation for a sine function with an amplitude of 4 , a period of 12 , a horizontal shift of 2 , and a vertical shift of 3 .
b. Write an equation for a cosine function with the same parameters as the sine function in part (a).
9. a. Write an equation for the sine function whose graph is shown in the figure below.

b. Utilize a cosine function to write an equation for the same graph.

