Preimage

Examples & Non-Examples

Example	Example	Non-Example
Preimage C C'	C' B Preimage A'	A Preimage C' B'

Definition

A preimage is the original figure before a transformation is applied.

Key Points:

- It's the **starting shape** in any transformation (like a translation, reflection, rotation, or dilation).
- The result after the transformation is called the **image**.
- Points in the preimage are often labeled with letters like A, B, C, and the corresponding points in the image are labeled A', B', C' (with prime symbols).

Example:

If you reflect triangle ABC over the y-axis to get triangle A'B'C', then ABC is the **preimage**.



