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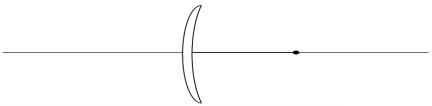
Convex Mirror Worksheet

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Convex Mirrors (p.205-206)

Ray Diagrams for convex mirrors

- 1. For the following diagram, use the following words to label the diagram:
- convex mirror (reflecting surface that curves outward)
 principal axis (a line perpendicular to the center of the mirror)
 vertex (a point at which the principal axis meets the mirror)
- focal point [F] (a point where all reflected rays intersect when all incident rays are parallel)
- 2. Draw 3 parallel incident rays and their reflected rays. (p.198)



The focal point for a convex mirror is ALWAYS behind the mirror.

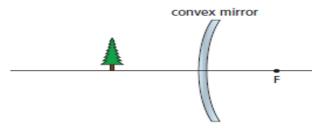
For a convex mirror, the bottom of the image stays on the principal axis, similar to the concave mirrors. To determine where the top part of the image is located you must draw 3 diagrams.

 1^{st} ray - <u>PARALLEL</u> a ray is drawn parallel from the top of the object to the principal axis, with reflected ray going through the focal point. 2^{nd} ray - <u>FOCAL POINT</u> - a ray or an extended ray is drawn through the

focal point

 3^{rd} ray - <u>VERTEX</u>- a ray drawn to the vertex with reflecting ray drawn at the same angle.

**Note: You need to extend your rays behind the mirror to find out where they meet to form a virtual image.



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