

4-2 Reteaching

Standard Form of a Quadratic Function

- The graph of a quadratic function, $y = ax^2 + bx + c$, where $a \neq 0$, is a parabola.
- The axis of symmetry is the line $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$.
- The x -coordinate of the vertex is $-\frac{b}{2a}$. The y -coordinate of the vertex is $y = f\left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right)$, or the y -value when $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$.
- The y -intercept is $(0, c)$.

Problem

What is the graph of $y = 2x^2 - 8x + 5$?

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a} = \frac{-(-8)}{2(2)} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

Find the equation of the axis of symmetry.

x -coordinate of vertex: 2

$$-\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right) &= f(2) = 2(2)^2 - 8(2) + 5 \\ &= 8 - 16 + 5 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

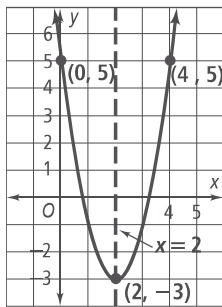
Find the y -value when $x = 2$.

y -coordinate of vertex: -3

The vertex is $(2, -3)$.

y -intercept: $(0, 5)$

The y -intercept is at $(0, c) = (0, 5)$.

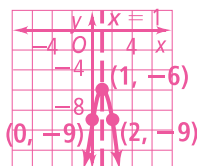


Because a is positive, the graph opens upward, and the vertex is at the bottom of the graph. Plot the vertex and draw the axis of symmetry. Plot $(0, 5)$ and its corresponding point on the other side of the axis of symmetry.

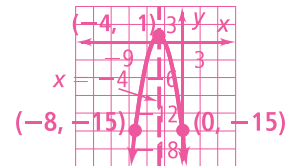
Exercises

Graph each parabola. Label the vertex and the axis of symmetry.

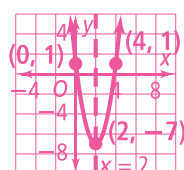
1. $y = -3x^2 + 6x - 9$



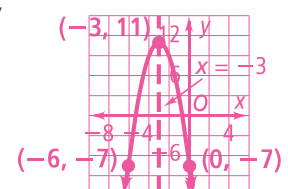
2. $y = -x^2 - 8x - 15$



3. $y = 2x^2 - 8x + 1$



4. $y = -2x^2 - 12x - 7$



4-2 Reteaching (continued)

Standard Form of a Quadratic Function

- Standard form of a quadratic function is $y = ax^2 + bx + c$. Vertex form of a quadratic function is $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$.
- For a parabola in vertex form, the coordinates of the vertex are (h, k) .

Problem

What is the vertex form of $y = 3x^2 - 24x + 50$?

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$y = 3x^2 - 24x + 50$$

$$b = -24, a = 3$$

$$x\text{-coordinate} = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$= -\frac{-24}{2(3)}$$

$$= 4$$

$$y\text{-coordinate} = 3(4)^2 - 24(4) + 50$$

$$= 2$$

$$y = 3(x - 4)^2 + 2$$

Verify that the equation is in standard form.

Find b and a .

For an equation in standard form, the x -coordinate of the vertex can be found by using $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$.

Substitute.

Simplify.

Substitute 4 into the standard form to find the y -coordinate.

Simplify.

Substitute 4 for h and 2 for k into the vertex form.

Once the conversion to vertex form is complete, check by multiplying.

$$y = 3(x^2 - 8x + 16) + 2$$

$$y = 3x^2 - 24x + 50$$

The result is the standard form of the equation.

Exercises

Write each function in vertex form. Check your answers.

5. $y = x^2 - 2x - 3$

$$y = (x - 1)^2 - 4$$

6. $y = -x^2 + 4x + 6$

$$y = -(x - 2)^2 + 10$$

7. $y = x^2 + 3x - 10$

$$y = \left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{49}{4}$$

8. $y = x^2 - 9x$

$$y = \left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{81}{4}$$

9. $y = x^2 + x$

$$y = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}$$

10. $y = x^2 + 5x + 4$

$$y = \left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{9}{4}$$

11. $y = 4x^2 + 8x - 3$

$$y = 4(x + 1)^2 - 7$$

12. $y = \frac{3}{4}x^2 + 9x$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}(x + 6)^2 - 27$$

13. $y = -2x^2 + 2x + 1$

$$y = -2\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{2}$$

Write each function in standard form.

14. $y = (x - 3)^2 + 1$

$$y = x^2 - 6x + 10$$

15. $y = 2(x - 1)^2 - 3$

$$y = 2x^2 - 4x - 1$$

16. $y = -3(x + 4)^2 + 1$

$$y = -3x^2 - 24x - 47$$