

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

The graph opens up if

$a > 0$ ;  $a$  is positive (+)

The graph opens down if

$a < 0$ ;  $a$  is negative (-)

The Axis of Symmetry is  $x =$



The coordinates of the vertex are:

$$\left( -\frac{b}{2a}, y_{\text{vertex}} \right)$$

The  $x$ -intercepts are at  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

where graph crosses  
the  $x$ -axis

The  $y$ -intercept is at  $(0, C)$ .

where graph crosses the  $y$ -axis

NOTES:

$$A \quad B \quad C$$

$$\text{Example 3: } f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x + 5$$

$a$  is (+)

$$a = \frac{1}{2}$$

The graph opens up.

$$b = -2$$

The vertex is (2, 3).

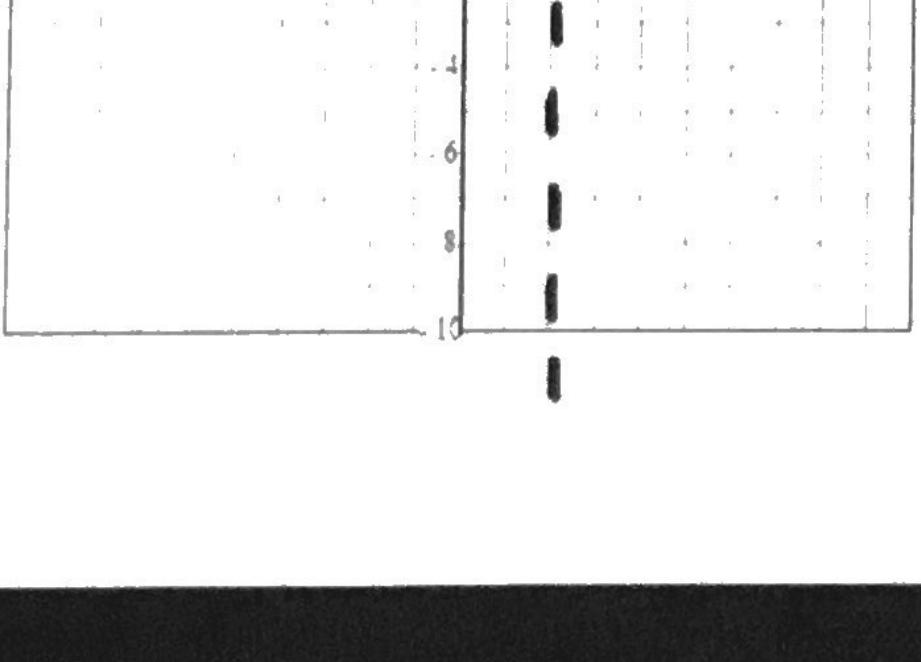
$$c = 5$$

Axis of symmetry:  $x =$  2.

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

Graph

\*choose  
5 points  
to graph-  
two above  
+ two below  
Vertex

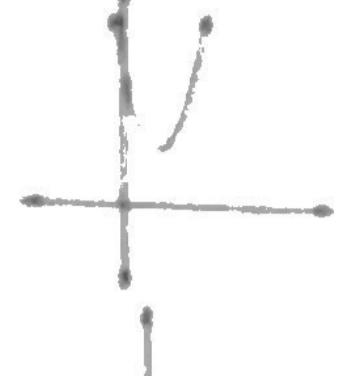


**STANDARD FORM**  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$$f(x) = a(x - p)(x - q)$$

The graph opens up if

$$a > 0$$



The graph opens down if

$$a < 0$$



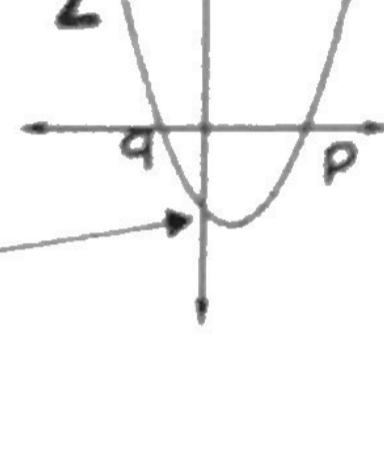
x-intercepts are

$$x = p \text{ and } x = q$$

Axis of symmetry is  $x = \frac{p+q}{2}$

Vertex  $(x, f(x))$

The y-intercept is found by multiplying  $a \cdot p \cdot q$



$$(0, a \cdot p \cdot q)$$

**NOTES:**

Example 2:  $f(x) = -2(x - 3)(x + 1)$

$a$  is  $(-)$

$$a = -2$$

The graph opens down

$$p = 3$$

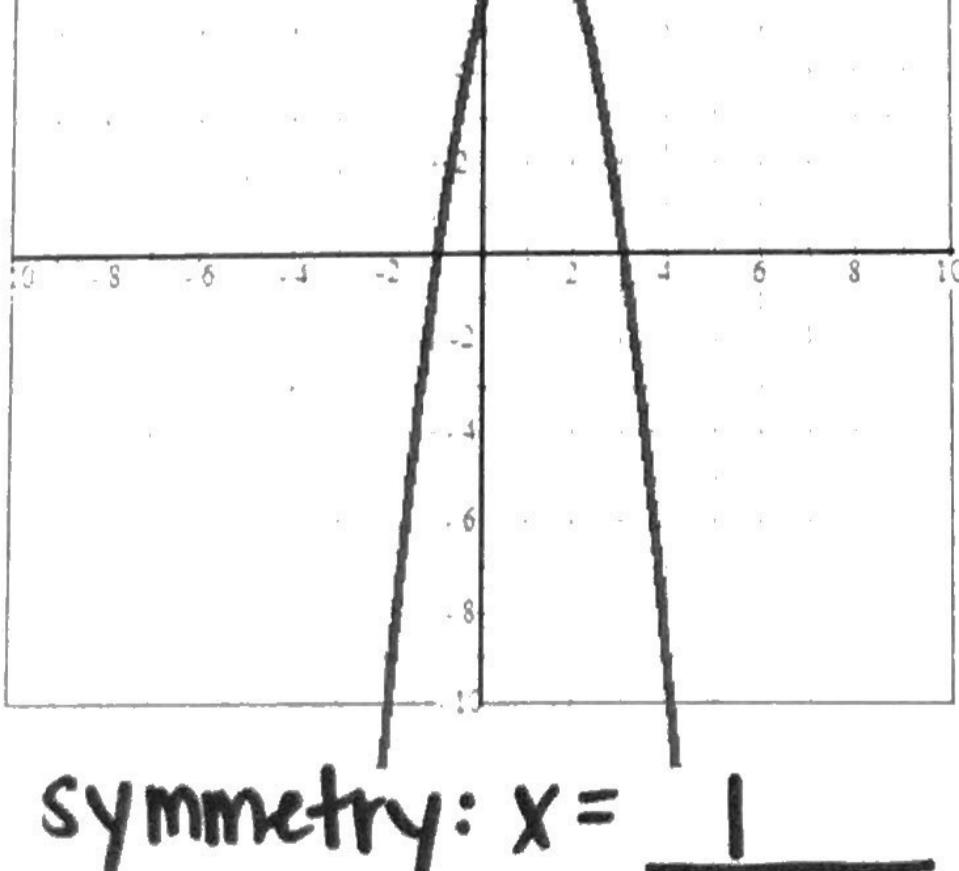
The x-intercepts are

$$q = -1$$

$$x = 3 \text{ and } x = -1$$

The y-intercept is  $(0, 6)$ .

Graph



Axis of symmetry:  $x = 1$

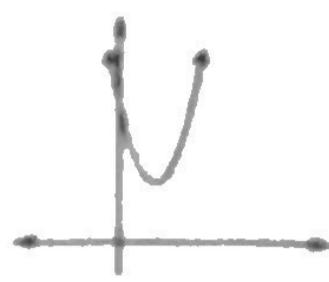
**INTERCEPT FORM**  $f(x) = a(x - p)(x - q)$

The vertex is  $(1, 8)$

$$f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

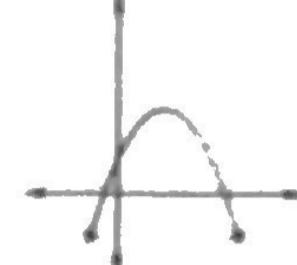
The graph opens up if

$$\underline{a > 0}$$

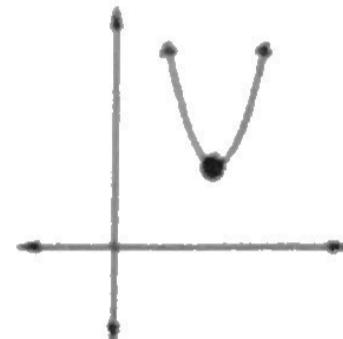


The graph opens down if

$$\underline{a < 0}$$



The Axis of symmetry is  $x = \underline{-h}$



The Vertex =  $(h, k)$

### NOTES:

Example 1:  $f(x) = 2(x - 4)^2 - 3$

$$a = 2$$

The graph opens Up

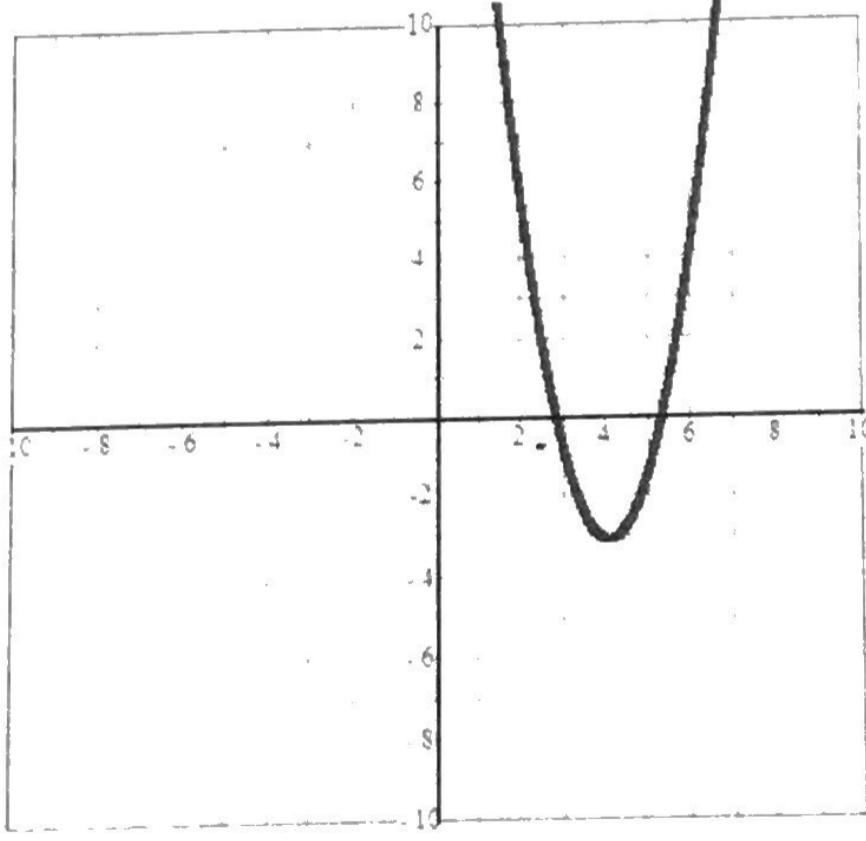
$$h = 4$$

AOS: 4

$$k = -3$$

The vertex is (4, -3)

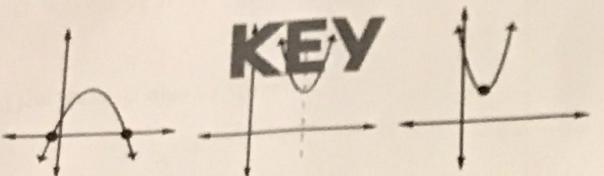
Graph



**VERTEX FORM**  $f(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$

# Graphing Quadratic Functions

**KEY**



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**INTERCEPT FORM**  $f(x) = a(x - p)(x - q)$

The vertex is (1, 8)

**STANDARD FORM**  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

**INTERCEPT FORM:**  $f(x) = a(x - p)(x - q)$

Example 2:  $f(x) = -2(x - 3)(x + 1)$

Axis of symmetry:  $x = \frac{p+q}{2}$

$$x = \frac{3 + -1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

Vertex:  $(x, f(x)) \rightarrow (1, f(1)) \rightarrow (1, 8)$

$$f(1) = -2(1 - 3)(1 + 1) * \text{ plug in calc}$$

$$f(1) = 8$$

y-intercept:

$$(0, a \cdot p \cdot q) \rightarrow (0, -2 \cdot 3 \cdot -1) \rightarrow (0, 6)$$

**STANDARD FORM:**  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$   
Example 3:  
**Axis of symmetry:**  $x = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{(-2)}{2(1)} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

Vertex:  $(x, f(x)) \rightarrow (2, f(2)) \rightarrow (2, 3)$

$$f(2) = \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 - 2(2) + 5 * \text{ plug in calc}$$

$$f(2) = 3$$

y-intercept:  $(0, c) \rightarrow (0, 5)$

$x$	$f(x)$	$y$
0	$f(0) = \frac{1}{2}(0)^2 - 2(0) + 5$	5
1	$f(1) = \frac{1}{2}(1)^2 - 2(1) + 5$	3.5
2	* See above vertex	3
3	$f(3) = \frac{1}{2}(3)^2 - 2(3) + 5$	3.5
4	$f(4) = \frac{1}{2}(4)^2 - 2(4) + 5$	5

**VERTEX FORM:**  $a(x - h)^2 + k$

Example 1:  $f(x) = 2(x - 4)^2 - 3$

Find additional points:

$x$	$f(x)$	$y$
2	$f(2) = 2(2 - 4)^2 - 3 =$	5
3	$f(3) = 2(3 - 4)^2 - 3 =$	-1
4	—	-3
5	—	-1
6	—	5