

→) what does a quadratic standard form look like?

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

→) what does the quadratic vertex form look like?

$$y = d(x - p)^2 + h, \text{ where vertex} = (p, h)$$

→) list what elements of quadratic concepts should be used in graphing

- roots (or x-intercept)
- label the axis
- y-intercept
- vertex & axis of symmetry through it
- $a > 0 \Rightarrow$ arms up, $a < 0 \Rightarrow$ arms down ($y = ax^2 + bx + c$, $a \neq 0$)

→) $y = ax^2 + bx + c$; what can we use to determine the direction of the arms?

$a > 0 \Rightarrow$ arms up, $a < 0 \Rightarrow$ arms down

→) $y = ax^2 + bx + c$; what can we use to determine if there are roots? Test $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$; if $\Delta < 0 \Rightarrow$ no real roots
 $\Delta = 0 \Rightarrow$ one root
 $\Delta > 0 \Rightarrow$ two roots

→) what methods can we use to find the roots?

I) factor and equate each factor to zero to find one root

II) $x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}$; $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ formulas use.

→) how can we find the vertex?

I) $x_{\text{vertex}} = -b/2a$, then substitute in $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ to find y_{vertex}

II) format as $d(x - p)^2 + h$ "vertex-form" by complete-the-square method.

→) what is the difference between a quadratic equation and a quadratic function?

The equation = $\emptyset$, the function is dynamic and equals a whole range of points.

→) what is the difference between the roots of a function and the zeroes of that function

Nothing. They are the same thing.

→) when is a quadratic function tangent to the horizontal axis?

$y = ax^2 + bx + c$; $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$; $\Delta = 0 \Rightarrow$ the function becomes tangent to the x-axis.

→) what is the quadratic's x-intercept?

The root, or zeros

For ex.



where $y = 0$ or $f(x) = 0$.

It is the intersection of the parabola with the horizontal axis.

→) what is the quadratic's y-intercept?

where $x = 0$, or where the parabola intersects the vertical axis. For ex.



$\equiv$ the $y = f(0)$

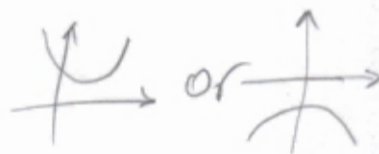
→) what is a **DISCRIMINANT** and its formula? what uses does it have?

The name given to this formula $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ for $y = ax^2 + bx + c$

It is used to calculate roots via: $x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}$ and to draw conclusions about the existence of roots.

→) what does it mean "no real roots to the quadratic"? Plot a few examples of how they may look like.

Means no intersection w/ the horizontal axis. For ex.



→) I claim the function $y = 3x^2 - x + 2$ is the same as the function $g = 3x^2 - x$ but elevated by 2 units. Explain....

Giving values to x affects y only in the " $3x^2 - x$ " area of this function. $+2$ is not affected by the changes in x . This is $=$ to $g(x)$ but always add $+2$ to the $y = g(x)$, thus the elevation.

→) what are INTEGRAL ROOTS?

whole value

→) correlate roots, quadratic equations & the sum & product of the roots.

$$S = \alpha + \beta$$

$$P = \alpha \cdot \beta$$

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

$$= x^2 - Sx + P$$

$$= (x - \alpha)(x - \beta)$$