

## 7.6 Vertex Form of the Quadratic Function

$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$  or  $y = a(x - p)^2 + q$  Concept #11, 12

### VERTEX-GRAPHING FORM

Foundations 20 textbook uses:  $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$  or Pre-Calculus 20 textbook uses:  $y = a(x - p)^2 + q$

- the vertex is at ( $p, q$ ) or ( $h, q$ )
- if  $a > 0$  (is positive), the parabola opens up
- if  $a < 0$  (is negative), the parabola opens down
- the equation of the axis of symmetry is  $x = h$  or  $x = p$

Note:  $a \neq 0$

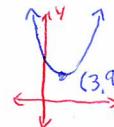
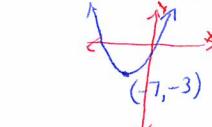
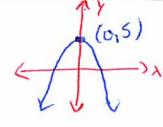
The graph of the function can be sketched more easily using this form.

Example 1: For each quadratic function below, identify the following: (CONCEPT #11)

a)  $f(x) = (x - 3)^2 + 9$

b)  $m(x) = 2(x + 7)^2 - 3$

c)  $r(x) = -2x^2 + 5$

i) Does the parabola open up or down? Max or Min?	up Min at $y=9$	up Min at $y=-3$	down Max $y=5$
ii) Coordinates of the vertex	$(3, 9)$	$(-7, -3)$	$(0, 5)$
iii) Equation of axis of symmetry	$X=3$	$X=-7$	$X=0$
iv) Domain	$D = \{x   x \in \mathbb{R}\}$	$D = \{x   x \in \mathbb{R}\}$	$D = \{x   x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
ad Range	$R = \{y   y \geq 9, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$	$R = \{y   y \geq -3, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$	$R = \{y   y \leq 5, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$
v) How many zeros the function will have?	None 	Two 	Two 
vi) x and y-intercepts	No x-intercepts $y\text{-int} = y = (0 - 3)^2 + 9$ set $x=0$ and solve $y = (9) + 9$ $y = 18$ $y\text{-int} = (0, 18)$	$x\text{-int}$ set $y=0$ and solve using the square root property $0 = 2(x+7)^2 - 3 + 3$ $3 = 2(x+7)^2$ $\frac{3}{2} = \frac{2(x+7)^2}{2}$ $\pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} = \sqrt{(x+7)^2}$ $\pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} = x+7$ $\pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} - 7 = x$ x-intercepts $y\text{-int.}$ $y = 2(0+7)^2 - 3$ $y = 2(49) - 3$ $y = 98 - 3$ $y = 95$ $y\text{-int.} = (0, 95)$	$x\text{-intercept}$ $0 = -2x^2 + 5 - 5$ $-5 = -2x^2$ $\frac{-5}{-2} = \frac{2x^2}{2}$ $\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} = \sqrt{x^2}$ $\pm\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} = x$ x-intercepts $y\text{-intercept}$ $y = -2(0)^2 + 5$ $y = 5$ $y\text{-int.} = (0, 5)$

Topic 2 – Quadratic Functions (Ch.7)

Example 2: Sketch the graph of the following function:  $f(x) = 2(x - 3)^2 - 4$  & State the domain and range. Concept #11

- Which way does it open? up
- Where is the vertex? (3, -4)
- Where is the axis of symmetry?  $x=3$
- What are the x-intercepts?

~~Set  $y=0$  or  $f(x)=0$~~

$$0 = 2(x-3)^2 - 4 + 4 \quad \text{"Get the squared term by itself"}$$

$$\frac{4}{2} = 2(x-3)^2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{2}} = \sqrt{(x-3)^2}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{2} = x-3$$

$$x = \left\{ \pm\sqrt{2} + 3 \right\}$$

- What is the y-intercept?  $\approx 4.4, 1.585$

- o Reflect this point about the axis of symmetry to find the y intercepts reflection point

$y\text{-int} =$

~~Set  $x=0$~~

$$y = 2(0-3)^2 - 4$$

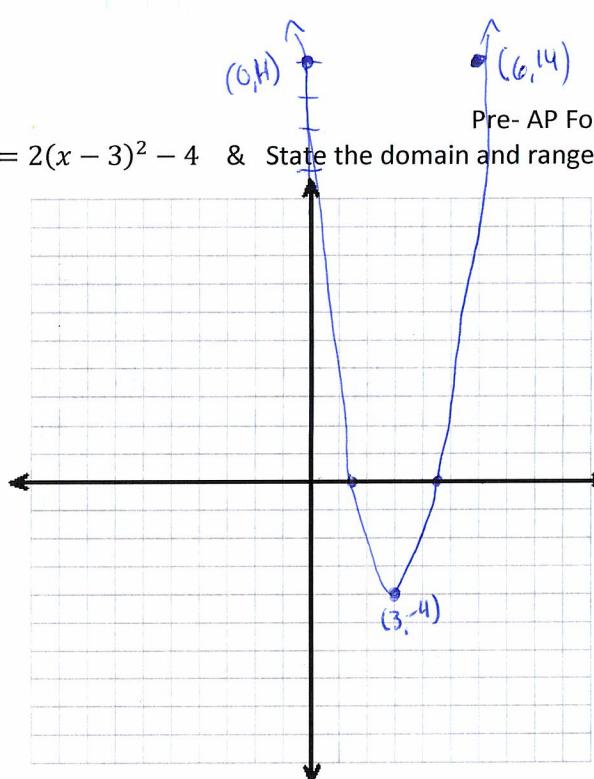
$$y = 2(-3)^2 - 4$$

$$y = 2(9) - 4$$

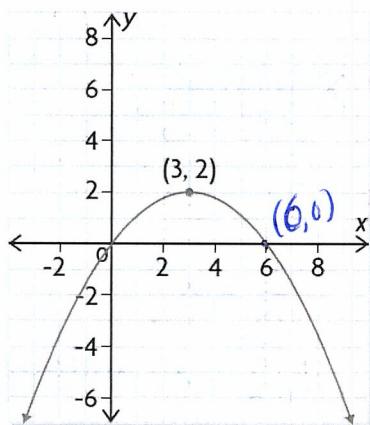
$$y = 18 - 4$$

$$y = 14$$

$$(0, 14)$$



Example 3: Determine the equation of the quadratic function in vertex form (Concept #12)



Point  
(6, 0)  
 $x$   
 $y$

$$y = a(x - p)^2 + q$$

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

$$0 = a(6 - 3)^2 + 2$$

$$0 = a(3)^2 + 2$$

$$-2 = 9a$$

$$-\frac{2}{9} = a$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{9}(x - 3)^2 + 2$$