

All answers are to be in simplest form. A scientific calculator may be used. No notes, no books, no homework may be used. This is a practice test consisting of basic concepts presented. It reflects what could be on the actual test. Students are encouraged to review all of the material presented.

$x = \frac{-b}{2a}$  Find y by substituting the x value back in. Note that f(x) is replaced by y.

Find the vertex of the parabola.  $\frac{-(-\frac{4}{3})}{2(\frac{1}{3})} = \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{4}{3} \div \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{2}{1}$   
Vertex: (2, -8)

1)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x - \frac{20}{3}$

Answer: (2, -8)  $y = \frac{1}{3}(\frac{2}{1})^2 - \frac{4}{3}(\frac{2}{1}) - \frac{20}{3}$

$y = \frac{1}{3}(\frac{4}{1}) - \frac{8}{3} - \frac{20}{3}$

$y = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{8}{3} - \frac{20}{3} = \frac{-24}{3} = -8$

2)  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 7$

$f(x) = 3x^2 + 0x + 7$

Vertex: (0, 7)

Answer: (0, 7)

$x = \frac{-0}{2(3)} = \frac{0}{6} = 0$

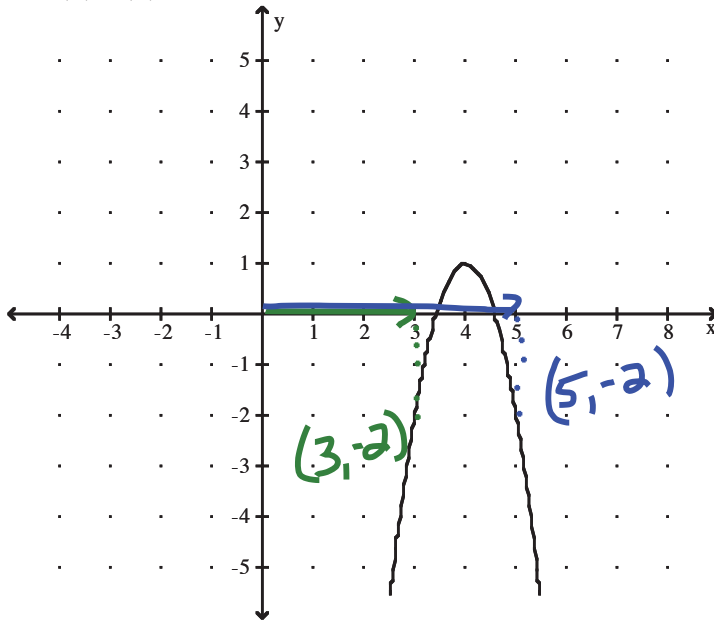
Substitute a zero term for missing b or c terms. The a term cannot be missing or it is no longer a quadratic.

$y = 3(0)^2 + 0(0) + 7$

$y = 7$

Use the graph of f to evaluate each expression.

3)  $f(3), f(5)$  Given the x value, what is the y value?



$f(3) = -2$      $f(5) = -2$

Answer: -2, -2

For the given  $f(x)$ , find the following and graph the function.

$f(x) = -5x^2 + 0x + 0$

4)  $f(x) = -5x^2$      $x = \frac{-0}{2(-5)} = 0$      $y = -5(0)^2$

a) Identify the vertex (0, 0)

b) What is the axis of symmetry?  $x = 0$  Express as an equation. Use the x value from the vertex.

c) Does the graph open up or down? down

Opens down when the a term is negative.

Vertex is the high point.

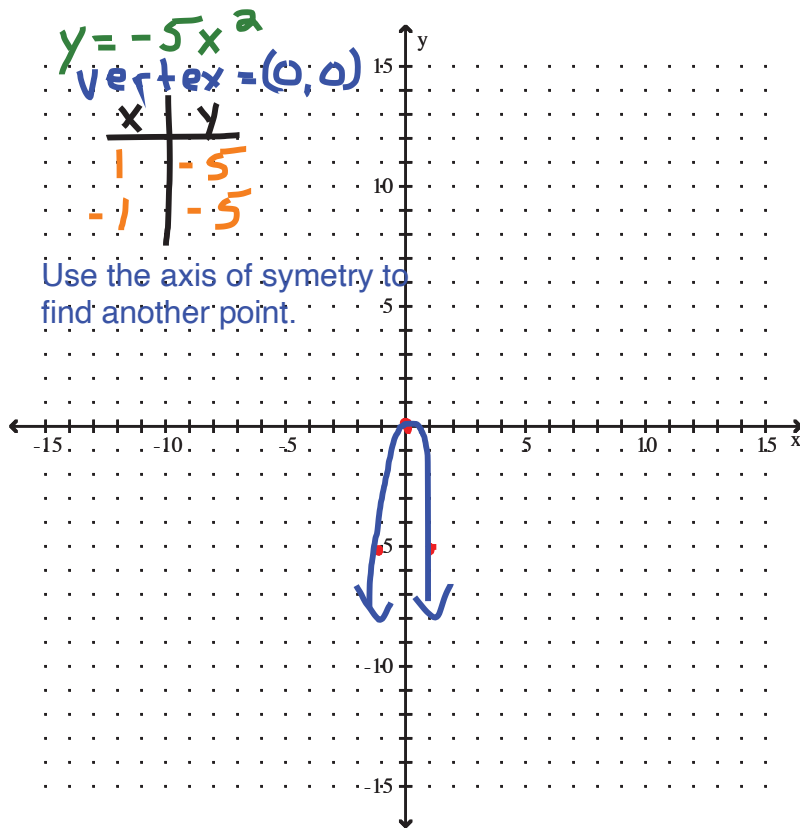
d) Will the vertex results in a minimum or maximum value? maximum

e) Identify the minimum or maximum y-value. 0 y value of the vertex

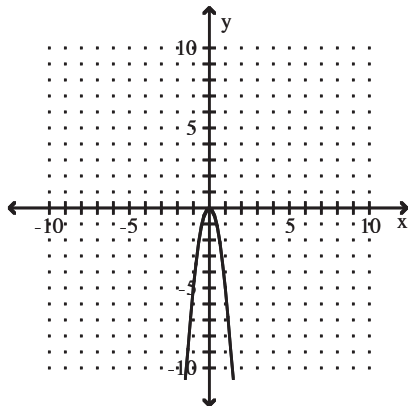
f) Evaluate  $f(-2)$  -20     $f(-2) = -5(-2)^2 \Rightarrow f(-2) = -5(4)$   
 $f(-2) = -20$

g) Evaluate  $f(3)$  -45     $f(3) = -5(3)^2 \Rightarrow f(3) = -5(9)$   
 $f(3) = -45$

h) Graph the function.



Answer:



For the given equation, find the following then graph and solve the equation.

5)  $f(x) = 8x - x^2$       $-x^2 + 8x + 0 = 0$       $y = -(4)^2 + 8(4)$

$x = \frac{-8}{2(-1)} \Rightarrow x = \frac{-8}{-2} \Rightarrow x = 4$       $y = -16 + 32$

a) Identify the vertex  $(4, 16)$       $y = 16$

b) What is the axis of symmetry?  $x = 4$

c) Does the graph open up or down? down

f) Graph the equation.

g) What is(are) the solution(s) to the equation?  $x = 0, 8$

If the solution is not real, say so.

$$0 = 8x - x^2$$

$$0 = -x^2 + 8x$$

$$0 = -x(x - 8)$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = 8$$

Factor, use the quadratic equation or complete the square to solve.

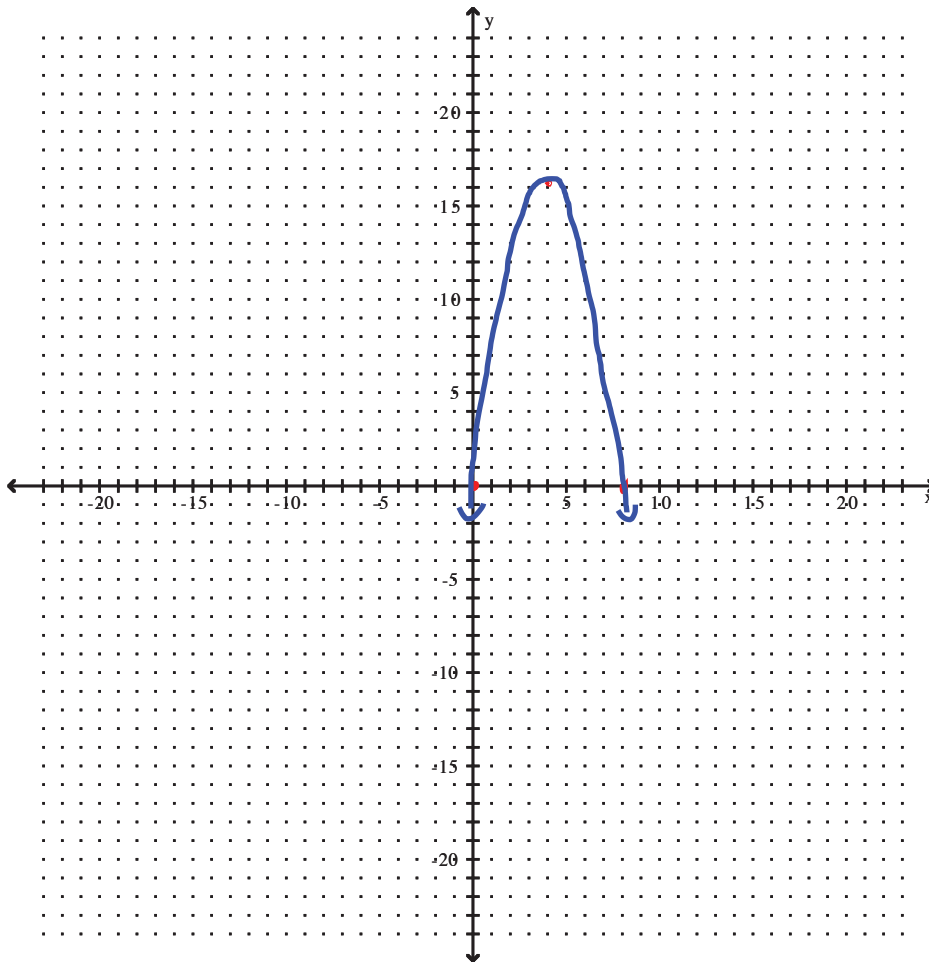
$$\frac{-x}{-1} = \frac{0}{-1}$$

$$x = 0$$

$$\frac{x - 8}{+1} = \frac{0}{+1}$$

$$x = 8$$

Set each factor the contains a variable to zero and solve.



Answer: (4, 16)

Solve quadratic equation by factoring.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 6) \quad x^2 + 2x - 80 = 0 \\
 (x+10)(x-8) = 0 \\
 x = -10 \quad x = 8
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{l}
 x + 10 = 0 \\
 -10 \quad -10 \\
 x = -10 \\
 \\
 x - 8 = 0 \\
 +8 \quad +8 \\
 x = 8
 \end{array}$$

Answer: -10, 8

Use the square root property to solve the equation.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 7) \quad \sqrt{(x+7)^2} = \sqrt{3} \\
 x + 7 = \pm \sqrt{3} \\
 -7 \quad -7 \\
 x = -7 \pm \sqrt{3}
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{l}
 \text{Because you are taking the square root on} \\
 \text{each side, make sure to use plus/minus.}
 \end{array}$$

Answer:  $-7 \pm \sqrt{3}$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 8) \quad \sqrt{(7x+8)^2} = \sqrt{2} \\
 \text{Answer: } \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{2}}{7}
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{l}
 7x + 8 = \pm \sqrt{2} \\
 -8 \quad -8 \\
 \frac{7x}{7} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{2}}{7} \\
 x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{2}}{7}
 \end{array}$$

Find the term that should be added to the expression to form a perfect square trinomial. Write the resulting perfect square trinomial in factored form.

9)  $x^2 + 5x$

$\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2$  Add to both sides

Answer:  $\frac{25}{4}; \left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2$

$\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{4}$

$x^2 + 5x + \frac{25}{4}$   
 $\left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2$

Term to add  $\frac{25}{4}$

Factored Form  $\left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2$

Solve the equation by completing the square.

10)  $x^2 + 2x - 35 = 0$

Answer: 5, -7

$x^2 + 2x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 35 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$

$x^2 + 2x + 1 = 36$

$\sqrt{(x+1)^2} = \pm\sqrt{36}$

$x+1 = \pm 6$

$x = -1 \pm 6$

$x = -1 + 6 \quad x = -1 - 6$

$x = 5 \quad x = -7$

While this could be factored other ways, the question asks for completing the square.

11)  $5x^2 + 10x = -2$

Answer:  $\frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{15}}{5}$

$x^2 + 2x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{-2}{5} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$

$x^2 + 2x + 1 = \frac{-2}{5} + 1 \left(\frac{5}{5}\right)$

$\sqrt{(x+1)^2} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$

$x+1 = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{5}}$

Rationalize the denominator

$x+1 = \pm \frac{\sqrt{15}}{5}$

$x = -1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{15}}{5}$

or  $x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{15}}{5}$

Factor out the GCF to make it easier.

12)  $2x^2 - 4x - 6 = 0$

$2(x^2 - 2x - 3) = 0$

GCF does not play a role in a solution.

While this could be factored other ways, the question asks for completing the square.

Answer: 3, -1

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 - 2x - 3 &= 0 \\
 x^2 - 2x + \left(\frac{-2}{2}\right)^2 &= 3 + \left(\frac{-2}{2}\right)^2 \\
 x^2 - 2x + 1 &= 3 + 1 \\
 \sqrt{(x-1)^2} &= \sqrt{4} \\
 x-1 &= \pm 2 \\
 x &= 1 \pm 2 \\
 x &= 1-2 \quad x = 1+2 \\
 x &= -1 \quad x = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

13)  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 + x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 &= -1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \\
 x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4} &= -1 + \frac{1}{4} \\
 \sqrt{\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} &= \sqrt{-\frac{3}{4}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x + \frac{1}{2} &= \pm \frac{\sqrt{-3}}{\sqrt{4}} \\
 x + \frac{1}{2} &= \pm \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \\
 x &= -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer:  $\frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{-1}{2} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$

a + bi form

Solve the formula for the specified variable.

14)  $M = \pi r^2 h d$  for r

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{M}{\pi h d}} = r$$

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Answer:  $r = \pm \sqrt{\frac{M}{\pi h d}}$

Use the discriminant to determine the number of real solutions.

LOOK @  $b^2 - 4ac$

15)  $x^2 - 4x - 2 = 0$

Answer: Two real solutions

$a=1 \quad b=-4 \quad c=-2$

$(-4)^2 - 4(1)(-2)$

$16 + 8$   
 $24$

Number of Real Solutions 2

$b^2 - 4ac > 0$  2 real  
 $b^2 - 4ac = 0$  1 real  
 $b^2 - 4ac < 0$  2 not real

$$16) \quad x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0 \quad a=1 \quad b=-4 \quad c=6$$

 Number of Real Solutions 0

 Answer: **No real solutions**

$$\begin{aligned} &(-4)^2 - 4(1)(6) \\ &16 - 24 = -8 \end{aligned}$$

Solve the equation using the quadratic formula. Write complex solutions in standard form.

$$a=1 \quad b=1 \quad c=-4$$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$17) \quad x^2 + x + 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{(1)^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-16}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-15}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{15}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-1}{2} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2}$$

Correct form for a+bi

$$\text{Answer: } -\frac{1}{2} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2}$$

$$a=7 \quad b=5 \quad c=4$$

$$18) \quad 7x^2 + 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(7)(4)}}{2(7)} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 112}}{28}$$

$$\frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{-87}}{28} = \frac{-5 \pm i\sqrt{87}}{28} = \frac{-5}{28} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{87}}{28}$$

$$\text{Answer: } -\frac{5}{28} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{87}}{28}$$



Use the given substitution to solve the equation.

$$19) \quad x^4 - 11x^2 + 10 = 0, \quad \underline{u = x^2} \quad (x^2)^2 = x^4$$

$$u^2 - 11u + 10 = 0$$

$$(u-10)(u-1) = 0$$

$$u = 10 \quad u = 1$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = 10 \quad \sqrt{x^2} = 1$$

$$\pm\sqrt{\quad} = \pm 1$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{10} \quad x = \pm 1$$

Answer:  $\pm 1, \pm\sqrt{10}$

Solve the equation.

$$20) \quad x - 11\sqrt{x} + 30 = 0$$

Answer: 25, 36

$$u^2 - 11u + 30 = 0$$

$$(u-5)(u-6) = 0$$

$$u = 5 \quad u = 6$$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = (5)^2 \quad (\sqrt{x})^2 = (6)^2$$

$$x = 25 \quad x = 36$$

$$u = \sqrt{x}$$

The b term provides a hint on how to set up the substitution.