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## 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

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

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

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

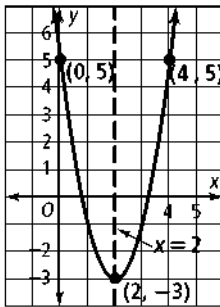
$y$ -coordinate of vertex:  $-3$

$y$ -intercept:  $(0, 5)$

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

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

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

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

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

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

9.  $y = x^2 + x$

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

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

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

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

**Write each function in standard form.**

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

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

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