

4.2 Graph Quadratic Functions in Vertex or Intercept Form pp. 245–251

EXAMPLE

Graph $y = (x - 4)(x + 2)$.

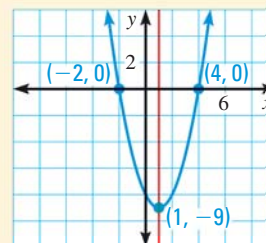
Identify the x -intercepts. The quadratic function is in intercept form $y = a(x - p)(x - q)$ where $a = 1$, $p = 4$, and $q = -2$. Plot the x -intercepts at $(4, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$.

Find the coordinates of the vertex.

$$x = \frac{p + q}{2} = \frac{4 + (-2)}{2} = 1$$

$$y = (1 - 4)(1 + 2) = -9$$

Plot the vertex at $(1, -9)$. Draw a parabola through the plotted points as shown.



EXERCISES

Graph the function. Label the vertex and axis of symmetry.

8. $y = (x - 1)(x + 5)$

9. $g(x) = (x + 3)(x - 2)$

10. $y = -3(x + 1)(x - 6)$

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

12. $f(x) = (x + 6)^2 + 8$

13. $y = -2(x + 8)^2 - 3$

14. **BIOLOGY** A flea's jump can be modeled by the function $y = -0.073x(x - 33)$ where x is the horizontal distance (in centimeters) and y is the corresponding height (in centimeters). How far did the flea jump? What was the flea's maximum height?

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4.3 Solve $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ by Factoring pp. 252–258

EXAMPLE

Solve $x^2 - 13x - 48 = 0$.

Use factoring to solve for x .

$$x^2 - 13x - 48 = 0$$

Write original equation.

$$(x - 16)(x + 3) = 0$$

Factor.

$$x - 16 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x + 3 = 0$$

Zero product property

$$x = 16 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -3$$

Solve for x .

EXERCISES

Solve the equation.

15. $x^2 + 5x = 0$

16. $z^2 = 63z$

17. $s^2 - 6s - 27 = 0$

18. $k^2 + 12k - 45 = 0$

19. $x^2 + 18x = -81$

20. $n^2 + 5n = 24$

21. **URBAN PLANNING** A city wants to double the area of a rectangular playground that is 72 feet by 48 feet by adding the same distance x to the length and the width. Write and solve an equation to find the value of x .

EXAMPLE 3
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