

Section: 7.4 **Objective:** Find the key features of graphs from their equations. Draw graphs from their key features. Match graphs to their equations.

For each function, fill out the requested information. Put a star by any information that can be seen just from looking at the equation. Graph the equation using its key features. Graph at least 5 points.

A. $f(x) = x^2 - 3x - 4$

1) Form: Standard

2) $a = \underline{1}$, $b = \underline{-3}$, $c = \underline{-4}$

3) Direction of opening: up
 a is positive

4) Zeros: -1 \star 4

5) x -intercepts: (-1, 0); (4, 0)

6) y -intercept: -4 \star (0, -4)

7) Axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{3}{2}$

8) Vertex: $(\frac{3}{2}, -6.25)$

Show work here:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline x & x^2 \\ \hline -4 & -4x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -4 \\ | \\ 1 -4 \\ \hline 2 -2 \\ | \\ 2 + -2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$(x+1)(x-4)=0$$

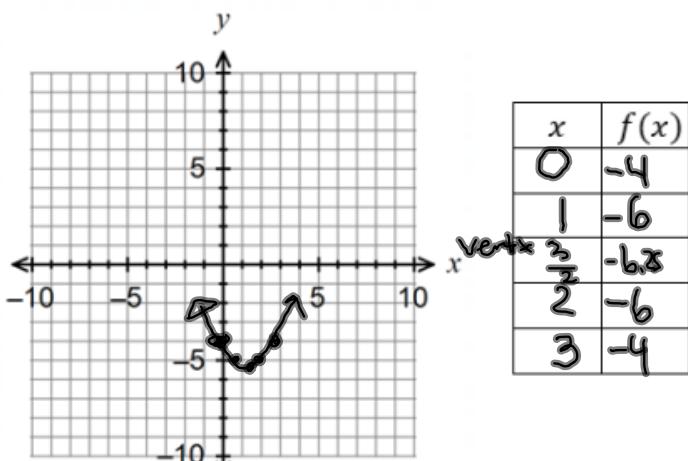
$$x+1=0$$

$$-1 -1$$

$$\boxed{x = -1}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-4=0 \\ +4 +4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = 4}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & y_{int} \\ & x^2 - 3x - 4 \\ & 0^2 - 3(0) - 4 \\ & \text{Let } x=0 \end{aligned}$$

vertex

$$x^2 - 3x - 4$$

$$x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{3}{2(1)} = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } 1.5$$

$$1.5^2 - 3(1.5) - 4 = -6.25$$

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

1) Form: vertex

2) $a = \underline{-2}$, $\underline{h} = \underline{-3}$, $\underline{k} = \underline{-2}$

3) Direction of opening: down

a is negative

4) Zeros: $-3 \pm 1i$

5) x -intercepts: none

6) y -intercept: $(0, -20)$

7) Axis of symmetry: $x = -3$

8) Vertex: $(-3, -2)$
 (h, k)

Show work here:

$$\begin{aligned} -2(x+3)^2 - 2 &= 0 \\ +2 &+2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2(x+3)^2 &= 2 \\ -x &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

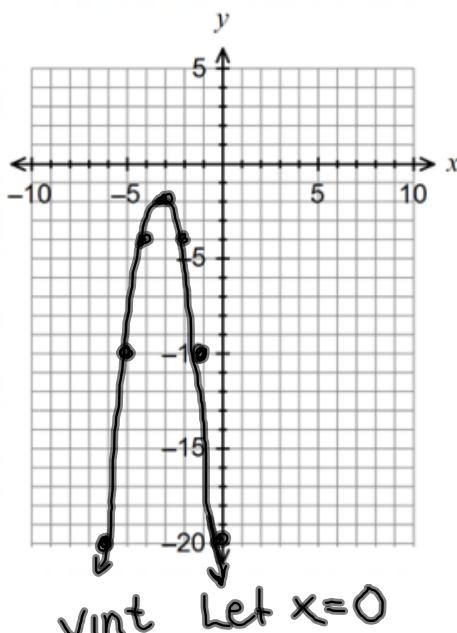
$$(x+3)^2 = -1$$

$$\sqrt{(x+3)(x+3)} = \pm \sqrt{-1}$$

$$x+3 = \pm i\sqrt{1}$$

$$x+3 = \pm 1i$$

$$x = -3 \pm 1i$$



x	y
-6	-20
-5	-10
-4	-4
-3	-2
-2	-4
-1	-10
0	-20

y_{int} Let $x=0$

$$-2(0+3)^2 - 2 = -20$$

C. $f(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x+2)(x-6)$

1) Form: factored

2) $a = -\frac{1}{4}$, $p = -2$, $q = 6$

3) Direction of opening: down
 a is negative

4) Zeros: -2 ; 6

5) x -intercepts: (-2, 0) (6, 0)

6) y -intercept: (0, 3)

7) Axis of symmetry: $x = 2$

8) Vertex: (2, 4)

Show work here:

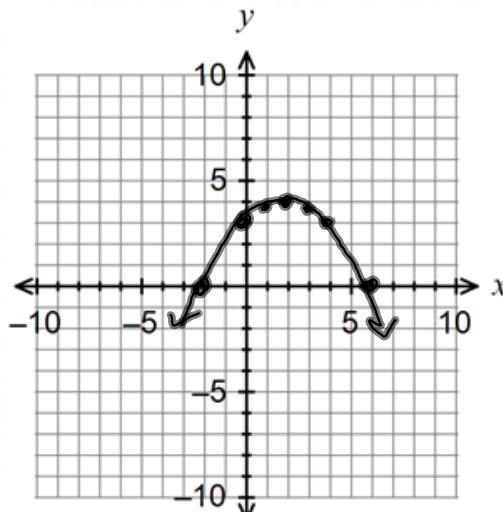
$$\begin{aligned} \text{zeros} \\ x+2=0 \\ -x-2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x-6=0 \\ +x+6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x=-2 \\ x=6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

vertex

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{(p+q)}{2} \quad \frac{(-2+6)}{2} \quad \frac{4}{2} = 2 \\ &\quad \overbrace{-\frac{1}{4}(2+2)(2-6) = } \end{aligned}$$



x	$f(x)$
0	3
1	3.75
2	4
3	3.75
4	3

y int Let $x=0$

$$-\frac{1}{4}(0+2)(0-6) = 3$$

D. $y = x^2 - 9$

$x^2 + 0x - 9$

1) Form: Standard

Vertex

$1(x-0)^2 - 9$

$a=1 \ h=0 \ k=-9$

2) $a = 1, b = 0, c = -9$

3) Direction of opening: Up
a is positive

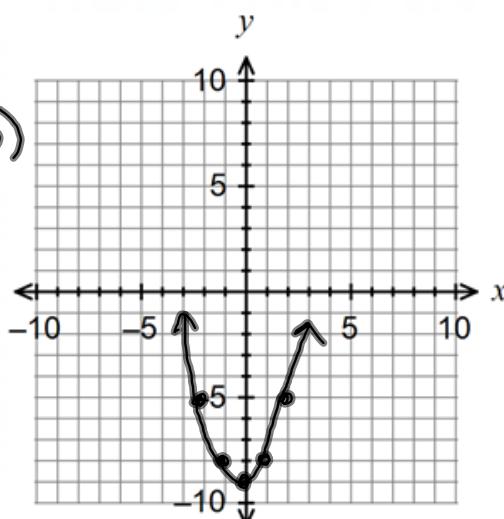
4) Zeros: 3 ; -3

5) x -intercepts: $(3, 0)$ $(-3, 0)$

6) y -intercept: $(0, -9)$

7) Axis of symmetry: $x=0$

8) Vertex: $(0, -9)$



x	y
-2	-5
-1	-8
0	-9
1	-8
2	-5

Show work here:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 9 &= 0 \\ (x-3)(x+3) &= 0 \\ x-3 &= 0 & x+3 &= 0 \\ +3 &+3 & -3 &-3 \\ x &= 3 & x &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

{ } y_{int} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Let } x=0 \\ 0^2 - 9 \end{array} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{vertex} \\ -\frac{b}{2a} \quad \frac{0}{2(1)} = \frac{0}{2} \\ 0 \end{array} \right\}

E. $f(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 9$

1) Form: Standard

2) $a = \underline{3}$, $b = \underline{-6}$, $c = \underline{-9}$

3) Direction of opening: up
 a is positive

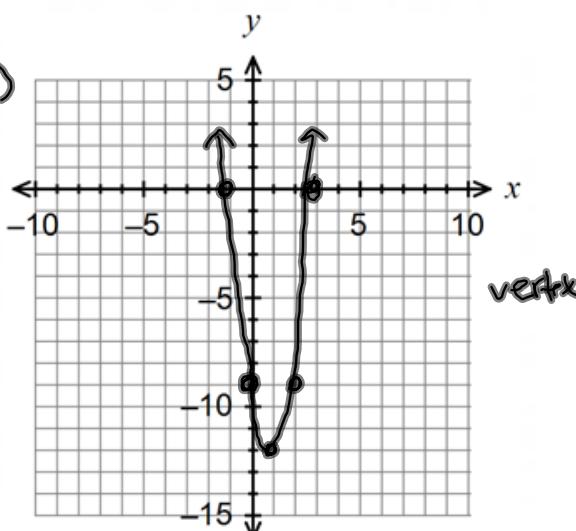
4) Zeros: -1, 3

5) x -intercepts: (-1, 0), (3, 0)

6) y -intercept: (0, -9)
 $(0, c)$

7) Axis of symmetry: $x = 1$

8) Vertex: (1, -12)



Show work here:

$$3x^2 - 6x - 9$$

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

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline x & 1 \\ \hline x^2 & 1x \\ \hline -3x & -3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 \\ 1 \cdot 3 \mid -2 \\ \hline 1+3 \end{array}$$

$$\text{vertex } \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{6}{2(3)} = 1$$

$$3(x+1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x+1=0 \quad x-3=0 \\ \cancel{x} \quad \cancel{-1} \quad +3 \quad +3 \\ x=-1 \quad x=3 \end{array}$$

1) Form: _____

2) $a = -1(x-0)(x+4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
factored

3) Direction of opening: _____

4) Zeros: $\begin{array}{ccccccc} -1 & & 0 & & q & \\ & P & & & \downarrow & \\ & & & & & & -4 \end{array}$
down

5) x -intercepts: _____

$0 ; -4$

6) y -intercept: $(0, 0) (-4, 0)$

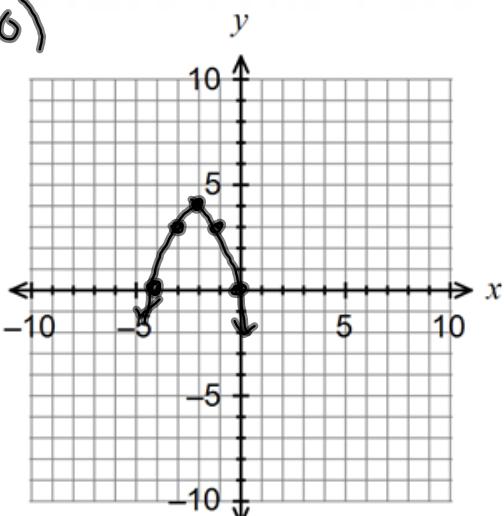
7) Axis of symmetry: _____

$(0, 0)$

8) Vertex: _____
 $X = -2$

Show work here:

$(-2, 4)$



x	y
-4	0
-3	3
-2	4
-1	3
0	0

yint let $x=0$
 $-0(0+4)$

vertex
 $\frac{(P+q)}{2}$ $\frac{0+(-4)}{2} = -2$

EXAMPLE: Given the graph, write the equation.

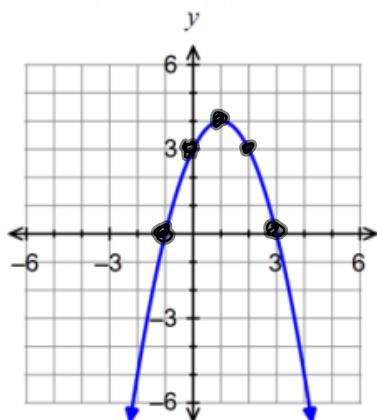
A. Write the equation of the graph in factored form.

Direction of opening: down

Find the zeros: -1, 3

$$a = -1 \quad p = -1 \quad q = 3$$

Equation in factored form: $y = -1(x+1)(x-3)$



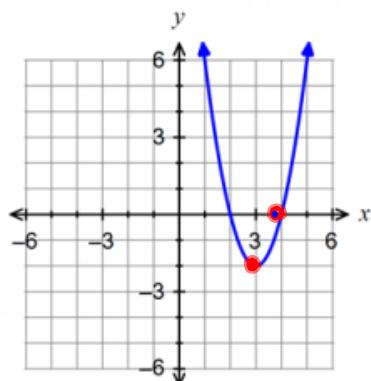
B. Write the equation of the graph in vertex form.

Direction of opening: up

Vertex: (3, -2)

$$a = 2 \quad h = 3 \quad k = -2$$

Equation in vertex form: $y = 2(x-3)^2 - 2$



C. Write the equation of the graph in standard form.

Direction of opening: up

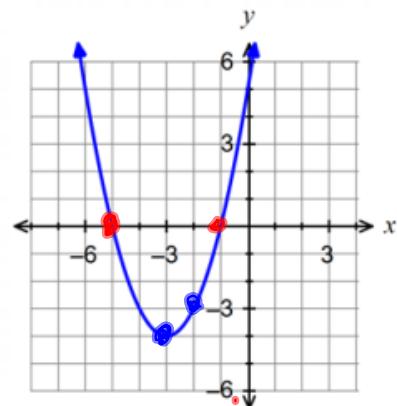
Find the zeros: -1; -5

$a = \underline{1}$ $p = \underline{-1}$ $q = \underline{-5}$

Equation in factored form: $y = 1(x+1)(x+5)$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline x & x^2 & 1x \\ \hline 1 & 5 & 5x \\ \hline 5 & 5x & 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Equation in standard form: $y = x^2 + 6x + 5$



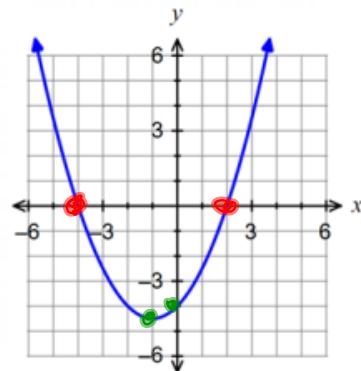
D. Write the equation of the graph in factored form.

Direction of opening: up

Find the zeros: 2; -4

$a = \underline{\frac{1}{2}}$ $p = \underline{2}$ $q = \underline{-4}$

Equation in factored form: $y = \frac{1}{2}(x-2)(x+4)$

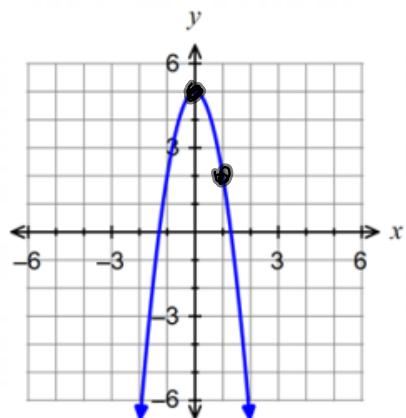


E. Write the equation of the graph in vertex form.

Direction of opening: down

Vertex: (0, 5)
 $a = -3$ $h = 0$ $k = 5$

Equation in vertex form: $y = -3(x-0)^2 + 5$



F. Write the equation of the graph in standard form.

Direction of opening: down

Find the zeros: -2

$a = -1$ $p = -2$ $q = -2$

Equation in factored form: $y = -1(x+2)(x+2)$

Equation in standard form: $y = -1(x^2 + 4x + 4)$

$$\boxed{y = -x^2 - 4x - 4}$$

$x + 2$	x^2	$+2x$
$+2$	$2x$	4

