

# QEQFII L5 Determining Equations

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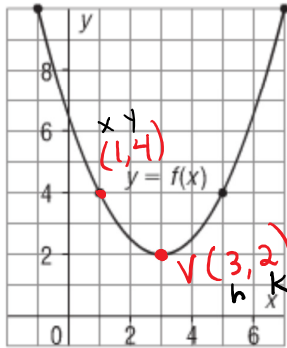


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## Lesson 5 Determining Equations of Quadratic Functions

### Example 1

Determine the equation of the quadratic function.



$$\hookrightarrow y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

point                  vertex

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$4 = a(1-3)^2 + 2$$

$$2 = 4a$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = a$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(x-3)^2 + 2$$

Sub in h, k, x and y  
Solve for "a"

Write the eqn  
\* sub a, h and k

### Example 2

Determine the equation of a quadratic function congruent to  $y = 3x^2$ , opening downward with vertex at  $(-1, 5)$ .

then  $a = -3$

h k

same size  $\therefore a = 3$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$y = -3(x+1)^2 + 5$$

### Example 3

Determine the equation of a quadratic function with x-intercepts -1, 3 and vertex at  $(1, -4)$ .

h k

Pts  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(3, 0)$

Pick one



$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$0 = a(3-1)^2 - 4$$

$$4 = 4a$$

$$1 = a$$

$$\therefore \text{eqn } y = (x-1)^2 - 4$$

**Example 4**

The equation of the axis of symmetry of the graph of a quadratic function is  $x = 3$ .  
 The graph passes through the points C(-1, -6) and D(5, 0). Determine an equation of the function.

$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$

Set up 2 eqns w/ two unknowns a, k

$$-6 = a(-1-3)^2 + k$$

$$-6 = 16a + k \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$0 = a(5-3)^2 + k$$

$$0 = 4a + k \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Elimination

$$-6 = 16a + k$$

$$- (0 = 4a + k)$$


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$$-6 = 12a$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} = a$$

Substitution

solve for k in  $\textcircled{2}$

$$-4a = k$$

Sub into  $\textcircled{1}$

$$-6 = 16a + k$$

$$-6 = 16a - 4a$$

$$-6 = 12a$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} = a$$

$\therefore y = -\frac{1}{2}(x-3)^2 + 2$

**Example 5**

The graph of a quadratic function passes through (6, -60) and the zeros of the function are -4 and 2. Determine the equation of this function in general form.

$x = -4 \quad x = 2$

$$(x+4)(x-2)$$

x-ints or roots  
No a, h or k  
so use  
 $y = ax^2 + bx + c$   
in factored form

$$y = a(x-x_1)(x-x_2)$$

$$y = a(x+4)(x-2)$$

sub in pt (6, -60)

$$-60 = a(6+4)(6-2)$$

$$-60 = 40a$$

$$-\frac{3}{2} = a$$

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

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}(x^2 + 2x - 8)$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x^2 - 3x + 12$$

$(-\frac{3}{2})(-8)$

Assign  
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# 1a, c, f, h  
2b, e, g, i  
3c, e, h, j