

VERTEX FORM

QUADRATIC FUNCTION VERTEX FORM:
 $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$ where the vertex = (h,k), the axis of symmetry is $x = h$ and the direction of opening is up if "a" is positive and down if it is negative.

Examples (in, or almost in vertex form)

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

v: (2, -5)

AOS: x = 2

Opens: up

Graph it!

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

v: (-1, 3)

AOS: x = -1

Opens: down

Graph it!

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

v: (0, -7)

AOS: x = 0

Opens: up

Graph it!

x/y-charts for the graphs are shown @the end of the note page

Examples (not in vertex form):

1) $y = x^2 - 8x + 11$

1/2 of 8 squared = 16,
+16 for factoring, -16 @ the end

$y = x^2 - 8x + 16 + 11 - 16$
 $y = (x - 4)(x - 4) + 11 - 16$
 $y = (x - 4)^2 - 5$

 V=(4, -5) AOS: x = 4 up

2) $y = -5x^2 - 10x - 9$

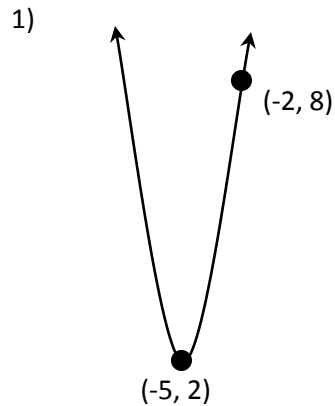
$\frac{y}{-5} = x^2 + 2x + \frac{9}{5}$
 $\frac{y}{-5} = x^2 + 2x + 1 + \frac{9}{5} - 1$
 $\frac{y}{-5} = (x + 1)^2 + \frac{4}{5}$ mult by -5 to
get y by itself
 $y = -5(x + 1)^2 - 4$
 V = (-1, -4) AOS: x = -1 down

3) $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 7x + \frac{32}{2}$

$2y = x^2 - 14x + 32$
 $2y = x^2 - 14x + 49 + 3 - 49$
 $2y = (x - 7)^2 - 46$
divide by 2 to get y by itself
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(x - 7)^2 - 23$

 V=(7, -23) AOS: x = 7 up

Write the quadratic equation (in vertex form) for each graph pictured.



$$y = a(x + 5)^2 + 2 \quad (\text{plugged in vertex no.s})$$

insert -2 & 8 for x & y

$$8 = a(-2+5)^2 + 2$$

then solve for a

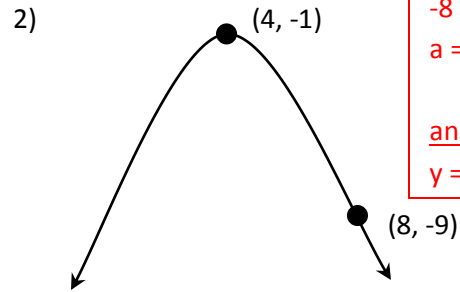
$$8 = a(3)^2 + 2$$

$$8 = 9a + 2$$

$$6 = 9a$$

$$a = 2/3$$

answer
 $y = 2/3(x + 5)^2 + 2$



$$y = a(x - 4)^2 - 1$$

$$-9 = a(8 - 4)^2 - 1$$

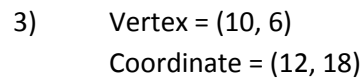
$$-9 = a(4)^2 - 1$$

$$-9 = 16a - 1$$

$$-8 = 16a$$

$$a = -1/2$$

answer
 $y = -1/2(x - 4)^2 - 1$



$$y = a(x - 10)^2 + 6$$

$$18 = a(12 - 10)^2 + 6$$

$$18 = a(2)^2 + 6$$

$$18 = 4a + 6$$

$$12 = 4a$$

$$a = 3$$

answer
 $y = 3(x - 10)^2 + 6$

1)

x	y
2	-5
3	-4
4	-1

2)

x	y
-1	3
0	1
1	-5

3)

x	y
0	-7
1	-4
2	5

graph the points in each x/y-chart, then "reflect" the symmetrical points to the opposite side

