

1) (2 points) What are the four ways to solve a quadratic equation?



2) (4 points each) Solve for the variable:

a)  $x^2 - 36 = 0$

$$x^2 = 36$$

$$x = \pm 6$$

b)  $-4(x+1)^2 + 6 = 5$

$$-4(x+1)^2 = -1$$

$$(x+1)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x+1 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = -1 \pm \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = -1/2 \\ x = -3/2 \end{cases}$$

3) (3 points each) Fill the blank with the number necessary to complete the square and then factor. Show all necessary work:

a)  $x^2 - 20x + \frac{100}{(-20/2)^2}$

$$(x-10)^2$$

b)  $x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4}(\frac{1}{2})^2$

$$(x + \frac{1}{2})^2$$

4) (5 points each) Solve by completing the square:

a)  $x^2 + 8x + 12 = 0$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = -12 + 16$$

$$(x+4)^2 = 4$$

$$x+4 = \pm 2$$

$$x = -4 \pm 2 \rightarrow \begin{cases} -2 \\ -6 \end{cases}$$

b)  $3x^2 + 8x + 12 = 0$

$$x^2 + \frac{8}{3}x + \frac{16}{9} = -4 + \frac{16}{9}$$

$$(x + \frac{4}{3})^2 = -\frac{20}{9} \quad x + \frac{4}{3} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{20}{9}} = \pm \frac{2\sqrt{5}i}{3}$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{5}i}{3}$$

5) (5 points each) Solve by using the quadratic formula:

a)  $x^2 - 4x + 9 = 0$

$$a=1 \quad b=-4 \quad c=9$$

$$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(9)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{-20}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{5}i}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{5}i$$

b)  $3x^2 + 8x + 12 = 0$

$$a=3 \quad b=8 \quad c=12$$

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4(3)(12)}}{2(3)} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{-80}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm 4\sqrt{5}i}{6} = -\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{5}i}{3}$$

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- 6) (6 points) The wildly unpopular musical "Catcher in the Wheat" is causing theater managers to increase ticket prices to make ends meet. Currently, the prices are set at \$14.00 per ticket and brings in an average crowd of 560 per show. They've found that, for every \$2.00 the ticket prices increase, they will lose 10 people. If they need to bring in \$19,000 per show to stay afloat, what should the new ticket prices be? Let  $x$  be the number of times the prices are increased. *Note: There are two possible answers. Do they both work for this situation?*

$x = \# \text{ of } \$2.00 \text{ ticket price increases}$

$$(14 + 2x)(560 - 10x) = 19000$$

$$-20x^2 + 980x + 7840 = 19000$$

$$0 = 20x^2 - 980x + 11160$$

$$0 = x^2 - 49x + 558$$

$$0 = (x - 18)(x - 31)$$

$x = 18 \quad x = 31$

both work!  
\$50 or \$76

- 7) (5 points each) Solve for the variable:

a)  $x^4 - 13x^2 + 12 = 0$

$a = x^2 \quad a^2 - 13a + 12 = 0$

$(a - 12)(a - 1) = 0$

$a = 12 \quad a = 1 \rightarrow x^2 = 1$

$x^2 = 12 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2\sqrt{3} \quad x = \pm 1$

b)  $4x^{\frac{2}{5}} + 5x^{\frac{1}{5}} - 6 = 0$

$b = x^{\frac{1}{5}} \quad 4b^2 + 5b - 6 = 0$

$(4b - 3)(b + 2) = 0$

$b = \frac{3}{4} \quad b = -2$

$x^{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{243}{1024} \quad x^{\frac{1}{5}} = -2 \Rightarrow x = -32$

- 8) (2 points) Where is the vertex of the quadratic function  $f(x) = -3(x+6)^2 + 7$  located?

$(-6, 7)$

- 9) (3 points) Explain the transformations necessary to sketch the graph of  $f(x) = -3(x-7)^2 + 1$ :

1) Right 7

2) Vertical stretch by 3

3) Vertical reflection over  $x$ -axis

4) up 1

- 10) (3 points each) For the function  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 8$ , find...

a) The vertex:

$x = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{2}{2(1)} = -1$

$f(-1) = (-1)^2 + 2(-1) - 8 = -9$   
 $(-1, -9)$

c) The y-intercept:

$f(0) = 0^2 + 2(0) - 8 = -8$

$(0, -8)$

e) The range:

$[-9, \infty)$

b) The x-intercepts:

$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$

$(x+4)(x-2) = 0$

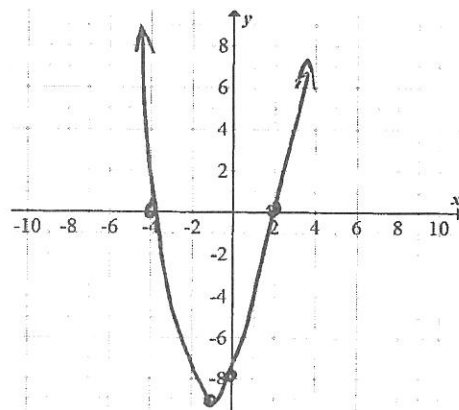
$x = -4 \quad (-4, 0)$

$x = 2 \quad (2, 0)$

d) The domain:

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f) The graph:



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11) (3 points each) After retiring for the tough javelin-throwing lifestyle, Jo Jo Ba decides to take up leftover carved pumpkin throwing. A particular pumpkin follows a path given by the equation  $h(t) = -16t^2 + 48t + 10$  where  $t$  is time in seconds and  $h$  is height off of the ground.

a) Find the time at which the pumpkin will be the highest off the ground:

$$t = -\frac{b}{2a} = \frac{-48}{2(-16)} = 1.5 \text{ sec}$$

b) Find the highest height the pumpkin will be in the air.

$$h(1.5) = -16(1.5)^2 + 48(1.5) + 10 = 46 \text{ feet}$$

c) Find the time when the pumpkin will hit the ground. Round to two places:

$$\begin{aligned} -16t^2 + 48t + 10 &= 0 \\ 9t^2 - 24t - 5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$t = \frac{-(-24) \pm \sqrt{(-24)^2 - 4(9)(-5)}}{2(9)}$$

$$t = 3.20 \text{ sec}$$

$$t = -0.20$$

12) (3 points each) For the function  $f(x) = 4 \cdot 2^{x-5} - 6$ ...

a) Describe the transformations necessary to sketch the graph

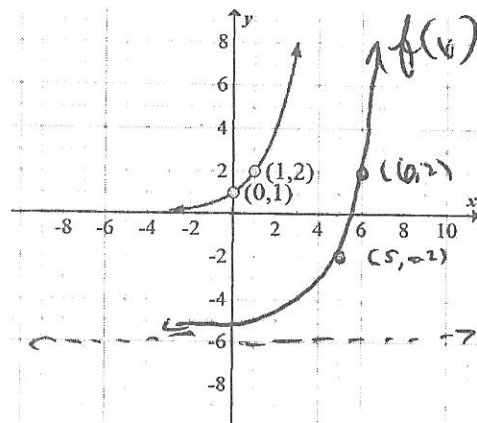
- 1) Right 5
- 2) vertical stretch by 4
- 3) down 6

$$(0, 1) \rightarrow (5, 1) \rightarrow (5, 4) \rightarrow (5, -2)$$

$$(1, 2) \rightarrow (6, 2) \rightarrow (6, 8) \rightarrow (6, 2)$$

$$y = 0 \rightarrow y = -6$$

b) Sketch a graph of the transformation using the graph  $y = 2^x$  below. Be sure to label the transformed points and asymptote:



13) (5 points each) Solve for the variable in the equations:

a)  $2^{4x-8} = 16$

$$2^{4x-8} = 2^4$$

$$4x - 8 = 4$$

$$x = 3$$

b)  $5 \cdot 125^{3x-1} = 25^{2x+1}$

$$5 \cdot (5^3)^{3x-1} = (5^2)^{2x+1}$$

$$5 \cdot (5)^{9x-3} = 5^{4x+2}$$

$$5^{9x-2} = 5^{4x+2}$$

$$9x - 2 = 4x + 2$$

$$5x = 4$$

$$x = 4/5$$

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