

Graphing Parabolas of the Form $y = (x - h)^2$

Equation: $y = (x + 2)^2$

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

Vertex:

Zeroes:

Step Pattern:

Direction of Opening:

Equation: $y = (x - 1)^2$

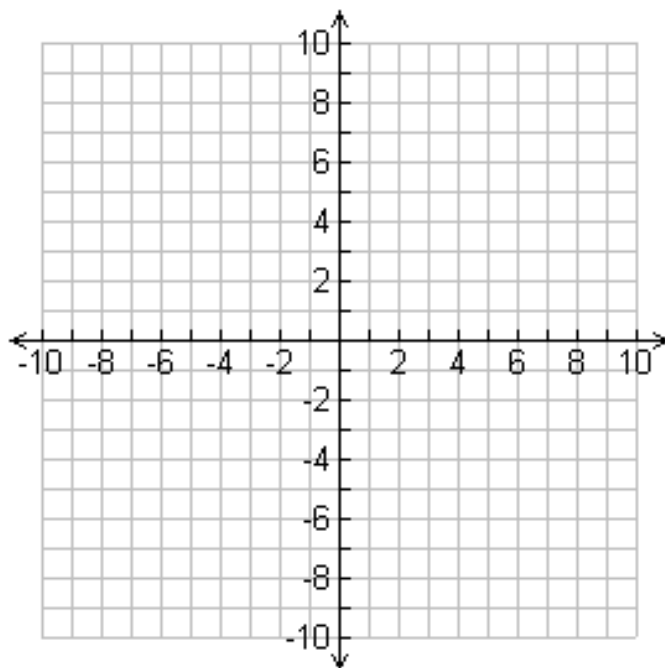
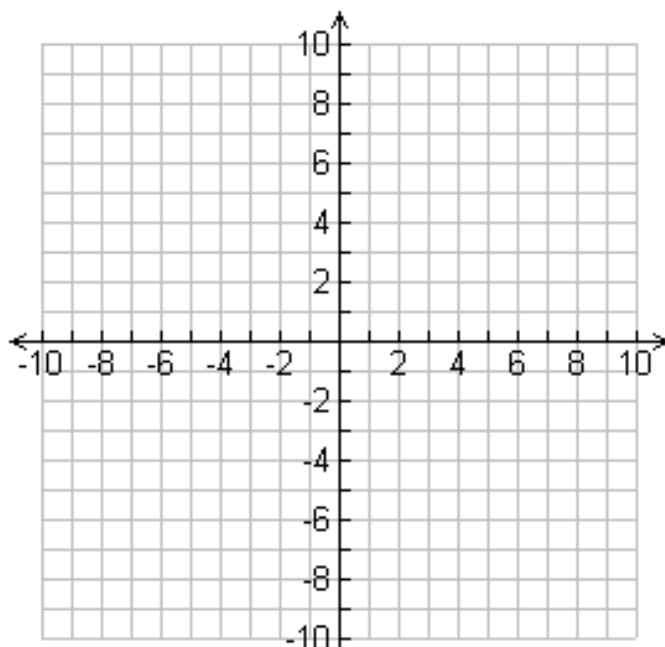
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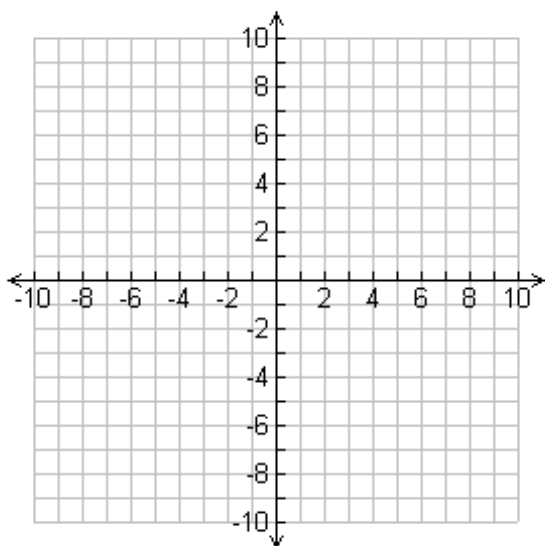
Summary

The graph of $y = (x - h)^2$ is the graph of $y = x^2$ _____.

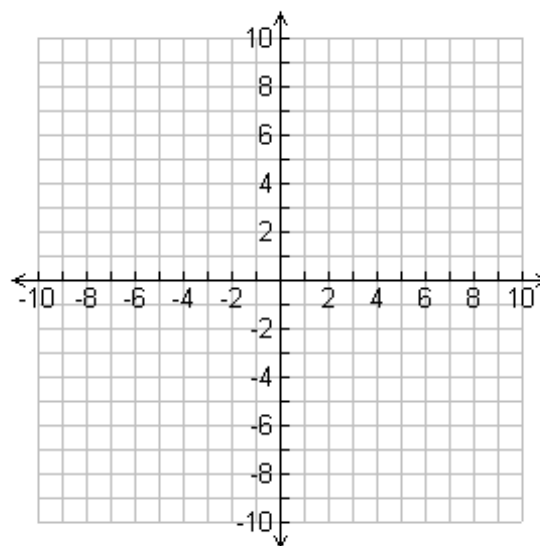
The step pattern will be _____. The vertex will be at _____.

Sketch each graph below without making a table of values.

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

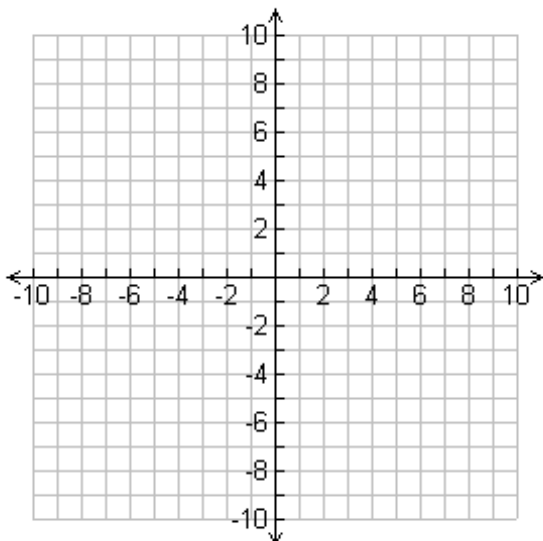


$$y = (x + 4)^2$$

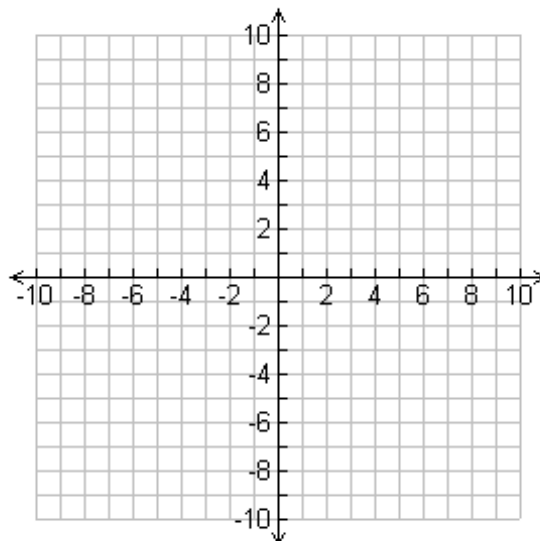


How about combining a couple of transformations? Try to graph the following without making a table of values. Check at least one point on your graph with the equation.

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



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



Putting it All Together – The Vertex Form of a Parabola

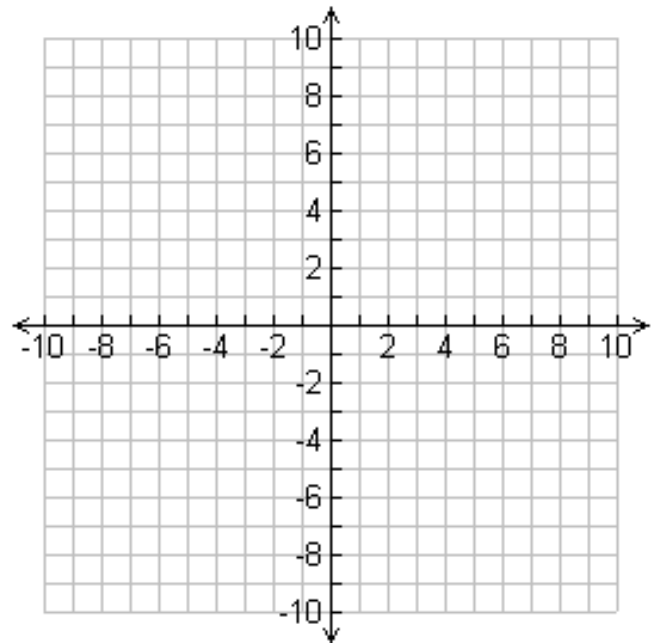
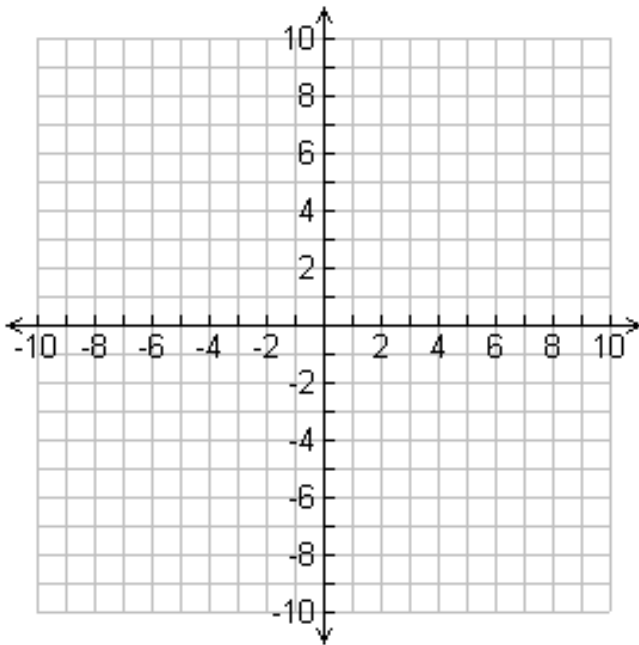
We can combine everything we have learned over the last 3 lessons to graph any quadratic relationship with an equation of the form $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$.

To graph quadratic equations in this form, start with the graph of $y = x^2$ and:

Examples Sketch each of the following. Describe the transformations below the graph.

$$y = -(x + 1)^2 + 6$$

$$y = 0.5(x - 3)^2 - 5$$



Why do you think the $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$ is referred to as *vertex form*?

$$y = 3(x - 4)^2 + 10$$

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

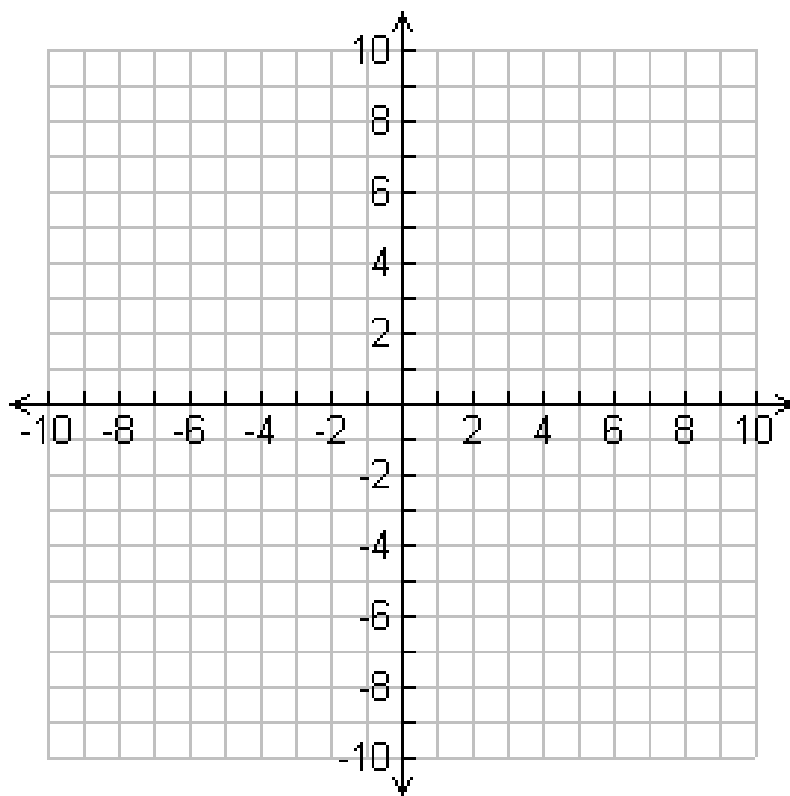
$$y = 3x^2 + 12$$

Graph the following.

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

$$y = 2(x - 1)^2 - 7$$

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



Draw a very rough sketch of the parabola below. State the max/min value, the vertex and the axis of symmetry.

$$y = -4(x - 3)^2 + 2$$