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Graphing $f(x) = ax^2 + c$

- When c > 0, the graph of f(x) = ax² + c is a vertical translation c units up of the graph of f(x) = ax².
- When c < 0, the graph of f(x) = ax² + c is a vertical translation |c| units down of the graph of f(x) = ax².

The vertex of the graph of $f(x) = ax^2 + c$ is (0, *c*), and the axis of symmetry is x = 0.



Graph $g(x) = x^2 - 2$. Compare the graph to the graph of $f(x) = x^2$.



Graph $g(x) = 4x^2 + 1$. Compare the graph to the graph of $f(x) = x^2$.

Let $f(x) = -0.5x^2 + 2$ and g(x) = f(x) - 7.

a. Describe the transformation from the graph of f to the graph of g. Then graph f and g in the same coordinate plane.

b. Write an equation that represents g in terms of x.

Graph the function. Compare the graph to the graph of $f(x) = x^2$.

3.
$$g(x) = 2x^2 - 5$$

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

5. Let $f(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ and g(x) = f(x) + 3.

a. Describe the transformation from the graph of *f* to the graph of *g*. Then graph *f* and *g* in the same coordinate plane.

b. Write an equation that represents *g* in terms of *x*.

The function $f(t) = -16t^2 + s_0$ represents the approximate height (in feet) of a falling object *t* seconds after it is dropped from an initial height s_0 (in feet). An egg is dropped from a height of 64 feet.

a. After how many seconds does the egg hit the ground?

b. Suppose the initial height is adjusted by *k* feet. How will this affect part (a)?

6. Explain why only nonnegative values of *t* are used in Example 4.

7. WHAT IF? The egg is dropped from a height of 100 feet. After how many seconds does the egg hit the ground?

Writing Prompt: The graph of $y = -4x^2 + 12$ is ...