

Grade 11 Pre-AP Functions

Diagnostic Test

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Victim: Mr. Solutions

Your responses are both precise and elegant Mr. S.!!

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1. Complete the following statements by filling in the blanks with logical answers that relate to what we have learned in the review unit of this course. [6]

- (a) Many students find mathematics difficult because they see it as a massive collection of complicated, incomprehensible rules that are used to manipulate myriad meaningless symbols. Gladly, there are simple strategies that students can apply that will help them develop a mindset that makes mathematics much easier to understand. Mr. Nolfi described three of these strategies in Unit 0. List the three strategies in the space provided below.

- (i) Focus on important ideas rather than blindly memorized facts ✓
 (ii) View mathematical relationships from different perspectives. ✓
 (iii) Don't just scratch the surface! Learn in depth! ✓

As examples of one of these strategies, Mr. Nolfi pointed out that for equations of lines, we only need to remember slope = slope ✓, for the midpoint of a line segment, we only need to remember the average of a and b is $\frac{a+b}{2}$ ✓ and for the length of a line segment, we only need to remember the Pythagorean theorem ✓.

- (b) **Linear relationships** model quantities that change at a constant ✓ rate ✓. For example, if a car moves with a constant ✓ velocity, the relationship between **distance travelled** and **time elapsed** is **linear**. Given a **table of values** ✓, it is possible to spot linear relationships because the **first differences** are always constant ✓. **Quadratic relationships**, on the other hand, model certain quantities that do not change at a constant ✓ rate ✓. For example, if a cannonball is fired vertically into the air, then the relationship between its height ✓ and **time elapsed** is **quadratic**. Given a **table of values** ✓, it is possible to spot quadratic relationships because the **first differences** always change linearly ✓ and the **second differences** are constant ✓.

- (c) Miley C. and Justin B. collaborated to **solve** the equation $x^2 + 4x - 5 = 27$. Together, they wrote the "solution" shown below. Is it correct? If so, explain why. If not, write a correct solution. [5]

$$x^2 + 4x - 5 = 27$$

$$\therefore (x+5)(x-1) = 27^*$$

$$\therefore x+5 = 27 \text{ or } x-1 = 27$$

$$\therefore x = 22 \text{ or } x = 28$$

This is a non sequitur.
 The only valid conclusions
 that can be drawn from *
 are $x+5 = \frac{27}{x-1}$ and $x-1 = \frac{27}{x+5}$.



See what we can accomplish when we put our great minds together Miley!



You're right Justin! Imagine what Einstein could have done with brains like ours!

Correct Approach

$$x^2 + 4x - 5 = 27$$

$$\therefore x^2 + 4x - 32 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore (x+8)(x-4) = 0 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore x+8=0 \text{ or } x-4=0 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore x = -8 \text{ or } x = 4 \checkmark$$

2. Solve. Show all steps.

(a) Solve the following linear equation. [5]

$$\frac{10}{1} \left[\frac{3}{5}(x-1) + 2x \right] = -4 - \frac{7}{10}x \quad \left(\frac{10}{1} \right) \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 6(x-1) + 20x &= -40 - 7x \\ \therefore 6x - 6 + 20x &= -40 - 7x \\ \therefore 26x - 6 &= -40 - 7x \\ \therefore 33x &= -34 \\ \therefore x &= -\frac{34}{33} \end{aligned} \checkmark$$

(b) Solve the following quadratic equation. [7]

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

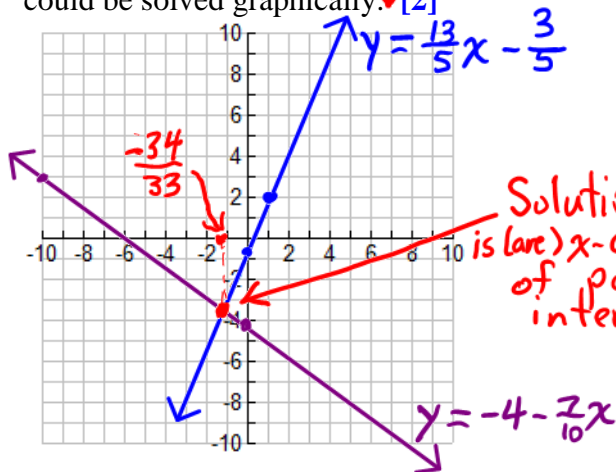
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (6x-2)(x+1) &= -2x^2 + 5x + 3 \\ \therefore 6x^2 + 4x - 2 &= -2x^2 + 5x + 3 \\ \therefore 8x^2 - x - 5 &= 0 \\ \therefore x &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(8)(-5)}}{2(8)} \quad \left(b^2 - 4ac = 161 \right) \\ &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{161}}{16} \end{aligned} \checkmark$$

∴ doesn't factor

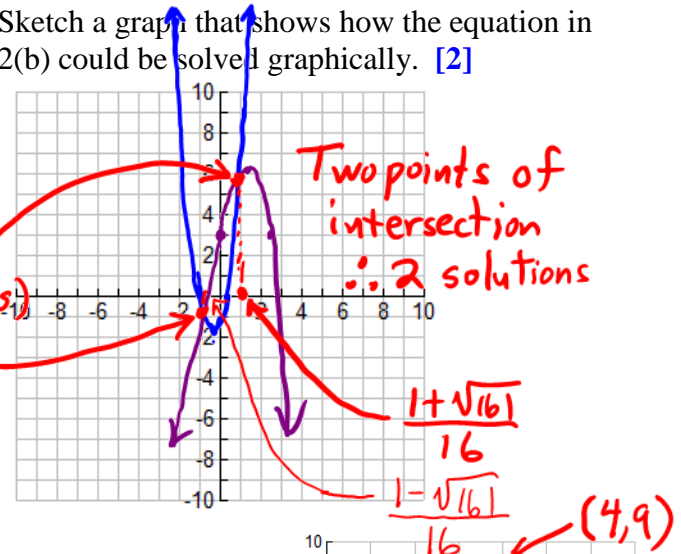
Rough Work:

$$\frac{3}{5}(x-1) + 2x = \frac{13}{5}x - \frac{3}{5}$$

(c) Sketch a graph that shows how the equation in 2(a) could be solved graphically. [2]



(d) Sketch a graph that shows how the equation in 2(b) could be solved graphically. [2]



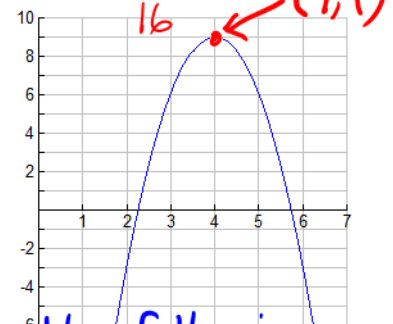
3. Which of the following could be the equation of the graph shown at the right? Explain. [3]

(a) $y = -3(x+4)^2 + 9$

(b) $y = -3(x+9)^2 + 4$

(c) $y = -3(x-4)^2 + 9$

(d) $y = -3(x-9)^2 + 4$



The correct equation is $y = -3(x-4)^2 + 9$ ✓

By taking the graph of $y = x^2$ and performing the following transformations, the given graph is obtained ✓

- stretch vertically by a factor of -3 (stretch by factor of 3, reflect in x-axis)
- shift 4 units right, 9 units up

These transformations correspond to equation (c)

4. A transit company charges \$1.25 per ride and averages 10,000 riders per day. The company needs to increase revenue but found that for each \$0.10 increase in fare the company would lose 500 riders. What should the company charge to maximize revenues? [8]

Let x represent the number of \$0.10 fare increases and r represent the revenue obtained for x fare increases

$$\text{fare} = 1.25 + 0.1x, \quad \# \text{ passengers} = 10000 - 500x$$

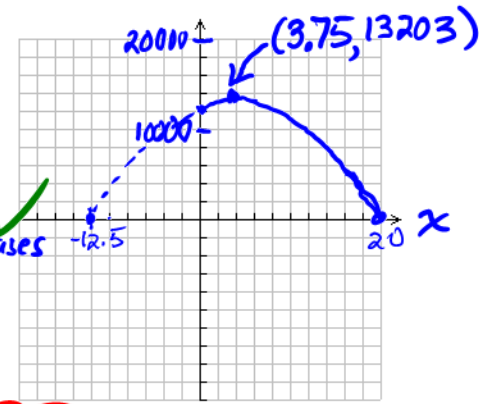
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore r &= (1.25 + 0.1x)(10000 - 500x) \\ &= 0.1(12.5 + x)(500)(20 - x) \\ &= 50(12.5 + x)(20 - x) \end{aligned}$$

zeros of r : $-12.5, 20$

axis of symmetry: $x = \frac{-12.5 + 20}{2} = 3.75$

Since the vertex of a parabola lies on the axis of symmetry, revenue is maximized when $x = 3.75$.

Therefore, revenue is maximized when the fare is $1.25 + 0.1(3.75) = 1.625$.
The transit company should set the fare to \$1.62 to maximize revenue.
(scientific method of rounding used here)

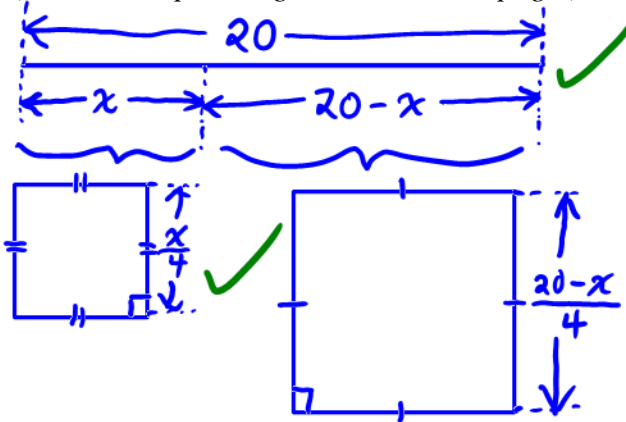


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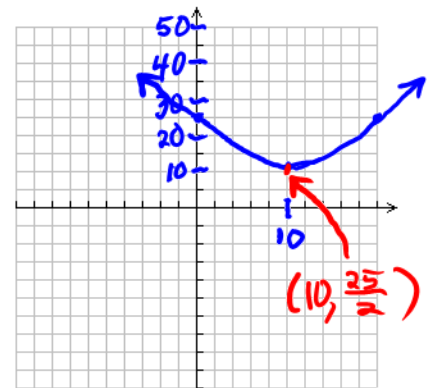
$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } x &= 3.75, \\ r &= 50(12.5 + 3.75)(20 - 3.75) \\ &\approx 13203 \end{aligned}$$

5. A piece of wire 20 m long is cut into two pieces and each piece is bent to form a square. Determine the length of the two pieces so that the sum of the areas of the two squares is a minimum. [8]

(Additional space is given on the next page.)



Let x represent the distance shown in the diagram and let A represent the sum of the areas of the two squares.



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A &= \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{20-x}{4}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{(20-x)^2}{16} \\ &= \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}(400 - 40x + x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^2 + 25 - \frac{5}{2}x \\ &= \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + 25 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + 25 \\
 &= \frac{1}{8}(x^2 - 20x) + 25 \\
 &= \frac{1}{8}(x^2 - 20x + 10^2 - 10^2) + 25 \\
 &= \frac{1}{8}[(x-10)^2 - 100] + 25 \\
 &= \frac{1}{8}(x-10)^2 - \frac{25}{2} + \frac{50}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A = \frac{1}{8}(x-10)^2 + \frac{25}{2}$ ✓
 \therefore the co-ordinates of the vertex are $(10, \frac{25}{2})$
 \therefore when the wire is cut in half, the minimal area of $\frac{25}{2} \text{ m}^2$ is produced. ✓

6. Given that the points $(1, 11)$ and $(-2, -34)$ lie on the graph of $y = ax^2 + bx + 6$, find the values of a and b . [8]

Since the given points lie on the parabola, their co-ordinates must satisfy the given equation.

$$\therefore 11 = a(1^2) + b(1) + 6 \quad \checkmark \text{ and } -34 = a(-2)^2 + b(-2) + 6 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore a + b = 5 \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \checkmark \text{ and } 4a - 2b = -40 \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{From } \textcircled{1}, b = 5 - a. \quad \textcircled{3}$$

Substituting in $\textcircled{2}$,

$$4a - 2(5 - a) = -40$$

$$\therefore 4a - 10 + 2a = -40$$

$$\therefore 6a = -30$$

$$\therefore a = -5 \quad \checkmark$$

Substituting in $\textcircled{3}$,

$$b = 5 - (-5) = 10. \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore a = -5, b = 10 \text{ and } y = -5x^2 + 10x + 6$$

