

MORE PRACTICE: Parabolas 2

For the given parabola, find the proper values:

1. $y = -(x + 1)^2 - 3$ 2. $x = 2(y - 3)^2 + 6$ 3. $x = 4y^2 - 5$

direction of opening:

DOWN

$h = -1$ $k = -3$

$a = -1$

$(-1, -3)$

$(-1, -2\frac{3}{4})$

$y = -3\frac{1}{4}$

$x = -1$

$y = 0$

RIGHT

$h = 6$ $k = 3$

$a = 2$

$(6, 3)$

$(6\frac{1}{8}, 3)$

$x = 5\frac{7}{8}$

$y = 3$

RIGHT

$h = -5$ $k = 0$

$a = 4$

$(-5, 0)$

$(-\frac{415}{16}, 0)$

$x = -5\frac{5}{16}$

$y = 0$

The vertex:

$(-1, -3)$

$(-1, -2\frac{3}{4})$

$y = -3\frac{1}{4}$

$x = -1$

The focus:

$(6, 3)$

$(6\frac{1}{8}, 3)$

$x = 5\frac{7}{8}$

$y = 3$

The directrix:

$y = -3\frac{1}{4}$

$x = 5\frac{7}{8}$

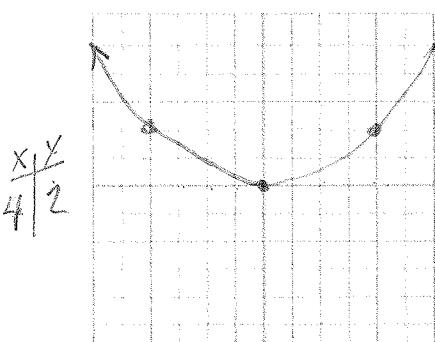
$x = -5\frac{5}{16}$

$y = 0$

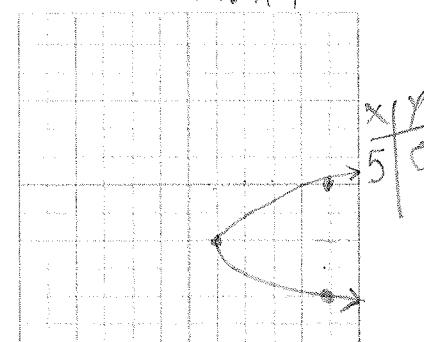
The axis of symmetry

Graph each parabola:

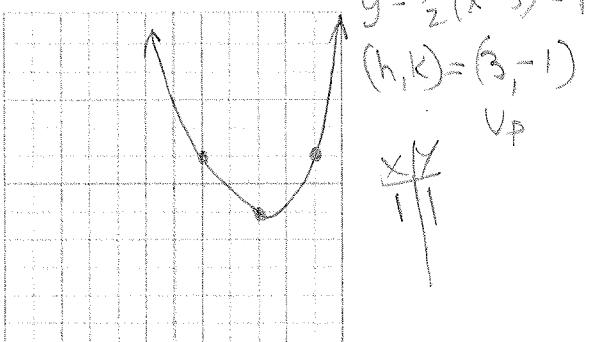
4. $y = \frac{1}{8}x^2$ $(h, k) = (0, 0)$
Up



5. $x = (y + 2)^2 + 1$ $(h, k) = (1, -2)$
Right



6. $2y + 2 = (x - 3)^2$ $2y = (x - 3)^2 - 2$
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(x - 3)^2 - 1$
 $(h, k) = (3, -1)$
Up



Write an equation for each parabola described below:

7. vertex = $(0, 4)$ and focus = $(0, 8)$
 $h=0, k=4$ $4 + \frac{1}{4a} = 8$ $\frac{1}{4a} = 4$ $\frac{1}{a} = 16$ $a = \frac{1}{16}$ $y = \frac{1}{16}x^2 + 4$

8. vertex = $(2, 4)$ and focus = $(4, 4)$
 $2 + \frac{1}{4a} = 4$ $\frac{1}{4a} = 2$ $a = \frac{1}{8}$ $x = \frac{1}{8}(y - 4)^2 + 2$

9. focus = $(-1, 3)$ and directrix is $y = 2$
 $2 = k - \frac{1}{4a}$ $5 = 2k$ $2 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{4a}$ $4a = 2$ $y = \frac{1}{2}(x + 1)^2 + \frac{5}{2}$
 $3 = k + \frac{1}{4a}$ $5/2 = k$ $\frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4a}$ $a = \frac{1}{2}$

10. vertex = $(-1, -1)$, axis of symmetry is $x = -1$, the measure of the latus rectum = 8, and $a < 0$ Down

$y = -\frac{1}{8}(x + 1)^2 - 1$