Part 1: Revisit $f(x) = ax^2$

What do we know about "a"

How do we know if the parabola has a maximum or a minimum?

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

Where have you seen this function before?

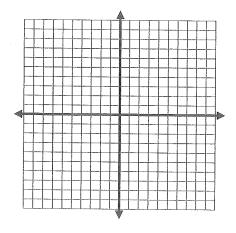
Any ideas of what "b" and "c" might do to change the graph?

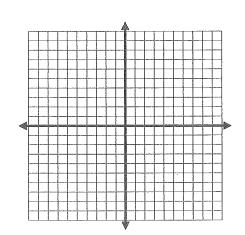
Let's look at a problem with only "b" and the shape of our parabola looking like shots from our Basketball Task. ($a = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$)

X			
$f(x) = -x^2 + 4x$			

Let's look at a problem with only "c" and the shape of our parabola looking like shots from our Basketball Task. (a =____)

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





What findings do you see:

Lets look more at "c"

X	-2	-1	0	1	-2
$f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 8$					

X	-2	-1	0	1	-2
$f(x) - x^2 - 6x - 7$					

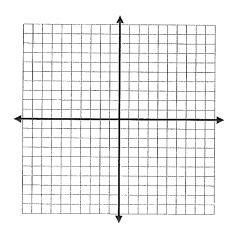
What does the "c" stand for:

Thinking back to our Basketball Task what might "c" be in those problems?

Basketball Task Day 2 Part 1 – see Task Handout and transparency graph paper

Part 2: Exploring the graph of a Quadratic Function in Standard form:

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



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<u>Steps to find Parts of a Quadratic</u> <u>Function $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$:</u>

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

Parts of a Quadratic Function:

Direction of opening:

Vertex:

Maximum/Minimum:

Axis of Symmetry:

y-intercept:

x-intercept(s):

Domain:

Range:

Examples: Find all the parts and graph the quadratic function in standard form.

Ex 1:
$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x + 6$$

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 6x + 1$$

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Exploring the equation of a quadratic function in standard form.

Tim hits a softball. The function $h(x) = -14t^2 + 56t + 3$ describes the height (in feet) of the softball, and t is the time (in seconds).

a) Draw a rough graph of what this graph might look like.

- b) Does the graph have a maximum or minimum? What is it? Explain in the context of the problem.
- c) Evaluate h(0). What does this value tell you? Explain in the context of the problem.

d) How long is the ball in the air?

Ticket out the door:

In the last problem how would have the function changed had Tim hit a line drive that the 2^{nd} baseman caught?