

Writing Equations of Quadratics

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

or

$$h = at^2 + bt + c$$

Objective: Find a, b and c.

- Make a table. *find ans. from calculator. Stat edit Stat calc.*
- Write the equation/formula.
- Check to see if you have the "c" value, if so, substitute the value into the equation for "c".
- Substitute the three (or two if you had c) values for h and t (or x and y) and set up a system of equations.
- Solve the system of equations.
- *Write the quadratic function.*

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Q1: An object is thrown up into the air. After 2 seconds the object is at a height of 296 m. After 4 seconds the object is at a height of 264 m and after 5 seconds the object is at a height of 200 m. Determine the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

t	2	4	5
h	296	264	200

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L1	L2
2	296
4	264
5	200

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t	2	4	5
h	296	264	200

$$h = at^2 + bt + c$$

(2, 296)

$$296 = a(2)^2 + b(2) + c$$

$$296 = 4a + 2b + c \quad *$$

(4, 264)

$$264 = a(4)^2 + b(4) + c$$

$$264 = 16a + 4b + c \quad *$$

(5, 200)

$$200 = a(5)^2 + b(5) + c$$

$$200 = 25a + 5b + c \quad *$$

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$$h = at^2 + bt + c$$

$$296 = 4a + 2b + c \quad *$$

$$264 = 16a + 4b + c \quad *$$

$$200 = 25a + 5b + c \quad *$$

$$-296 = -4a - 2b - c$$

$$\underline{264 = 16a + 4b + c}$$

$$-32 = 12a + 2b \quad *$$

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$$[A] \times [B] = [C]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 16 & 4 & 1 \\ 25 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 296 \\ 264 \\ 200 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[B] = [A]^{-1} \times [C]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 & -1/2 & 1/3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 296 \\ 264 \\ 200 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -16 \\ 80 \\ 200 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$h = -16t^2 + 80t + 200$$

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Q2:

A soccer ball is kicked from a platform that is 5 m above the ground. After 5 seconds, the ball is at a height of 205 m. After 9 seconds, the ball is at a height of 221 m. Determine the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

t	0	5	9
h	5	205	221

$$h = at^2 + bt + c$$

$$h = at^2 + bt + 5$$

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$$205 = a(5)^2 + b(5) + 5$$

$$200 = 25a + 5b \quad *$$

$$221 = a(9)^2 + b(9) + 5$$

$$216 = 81a + 9b \quad *$$

$$25a + 5b = 200$$

$$81a + 9b = 216$$

$$h = -4t^2 + 60t + 5$$

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A rocket is fired down a practice range. The rocket follows a parabolic path. After 10 seconds, the rocket reaches a height of 1500 m. The height is 2000 m after 20 seconds and 1500 m after 40 seconds. Find the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

t	10	20	40
h	1500	2000	1500

$$h = -2.5t^2 + 125t + 500$$

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Q4: **Work Sample #9**
 Shana sells her wildlife pictures at the fair. Her revenue follows a quadratic function. At a price of \$40, her revenue is \$2900. At a price of \$50, her revenue is \$3000. At a price of \$70, her revenue is \$2600. Find the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

$$R = at^2 + bt + c$$

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Q5:
 A model rocket is shot into the air. Its approximate height each second is recorded in the table below.

Time (s)	0	1	2	3
Height (m)	5	117	213	293

Find the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

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6. A ball is thrown into the air. After 2 seconds the ball is at a height of 170 m, after 4 seconds the ball is at a height of 314m and after 5 seconds the ball is at a height of 377m. Find the equation of the quadratic function that models the situation.

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