Graphing Quadratics

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Work to be completed by the end of the lesson:

Graphing quadratics using Transformations MM Ex. 3D 1acdf 2bd 3abeghi



We have already seen that quadratics can be written in a number of different ways:



The above, simply shows the same <u>quadratics expressed in</u> different ways through algebra tricks. It can be argued than NONE of them are particularly useful. That's not true of al<u>l way of expressing quadratics</u> ...

J=x² ↓







Completing the Square/Turning Point form

The process of doing this is coming soon ... it's a great way to find the minimum (or maximum) of the graph. By looking at the graphs above, we can see there seems to be a format to the way a quadratic can be written and hence finding it's minimum or maximum





Examples of how to read the turning point from Turning Point Form



Axis of Symmetry

We already know that a quadratic has a line of symmetry down the centre. The x-value happens to coincide with the mid-point of the two solutions to the quadratic equation. When we find the x-value, we can find the y-value and hence the maximum or minimum of the quadratic



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