

PROJECT MATHS

Text & Tests

Leaving 3 Certificate

chapter

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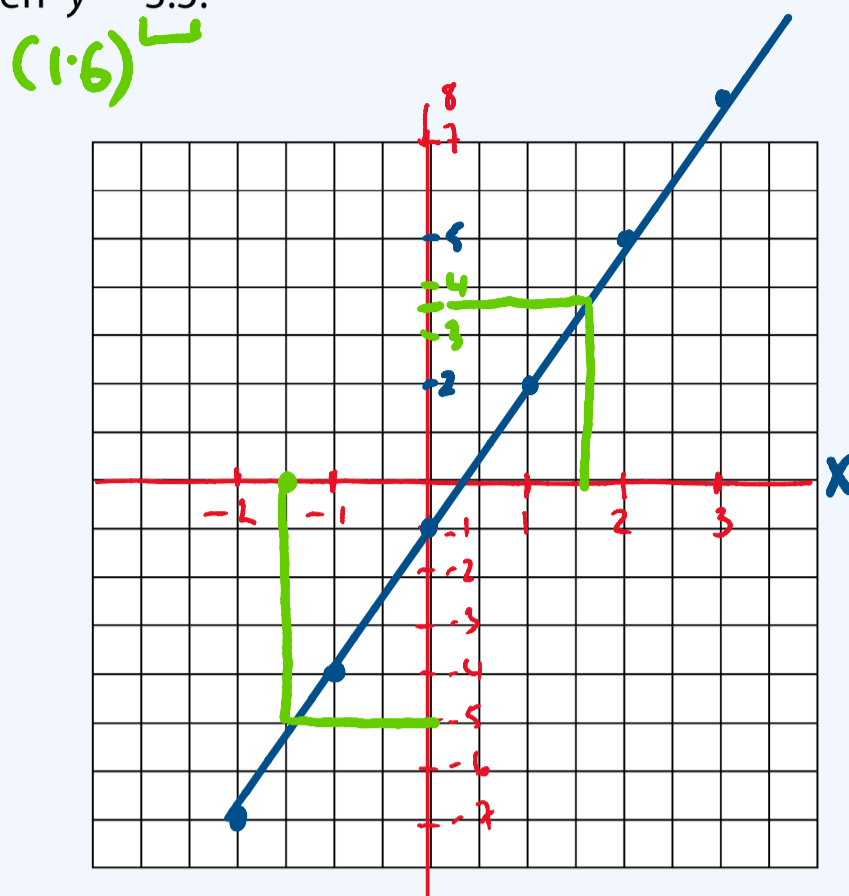
Graphing Functions

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1. (a) Draw the graph of the function $f(x) = 3x - 1$ in the domain $-2 \leq x \leq 3$.
Use your graph to estimate

(i) $f(-1.5) = -5$ (ii) the value of x when $y = 3.5$.



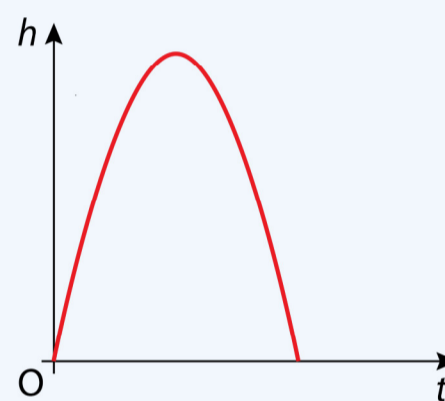
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- (b) The diagram on the right shows the path of a rocket which is fired into the air. The height, h metres, of the rocket, after t seconds, is given by $h = 30t - t^2$.

- (i) For how many seconds is the rocket in flight?
(ii) What is the maximum height reached by the rocket?



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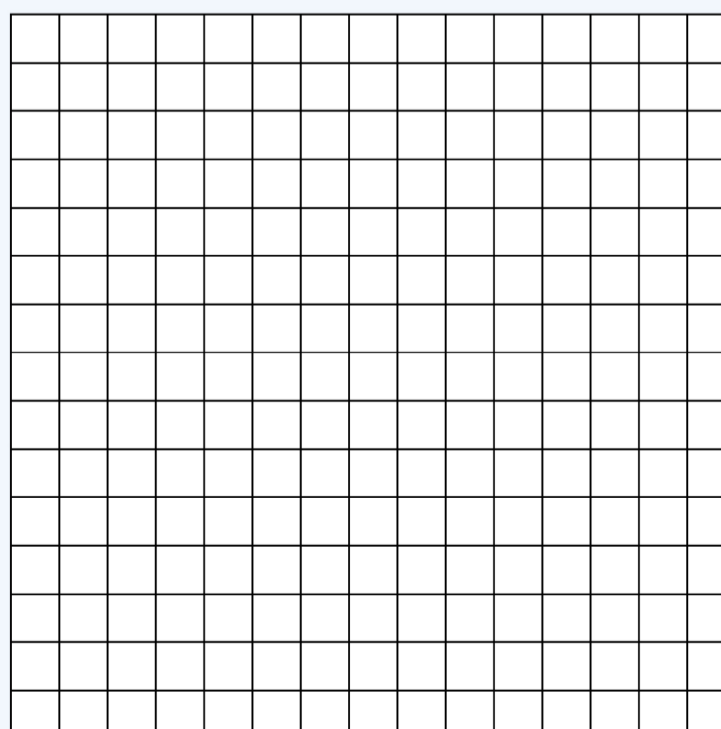
- (c) If $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 4$, copy and complete the following table:

$x =$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	3.5
$f(x) =$	-2					-2	4.9

Draw the graph of the function $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 4$ in the domain $-2 \leq x \leq 3.5$.

Use your graph to estimate

- (i) the roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$
(ii) the values of x at which $f(x) < 0$ and $f(x) > 0$
(iii) the coordinates of the minimum turning point
(iv) the values of x at which $f(x)$ is negative and decreasing
(v) the roots of the equation $y = 4$
(vi) the value of $f(-1.5)$.

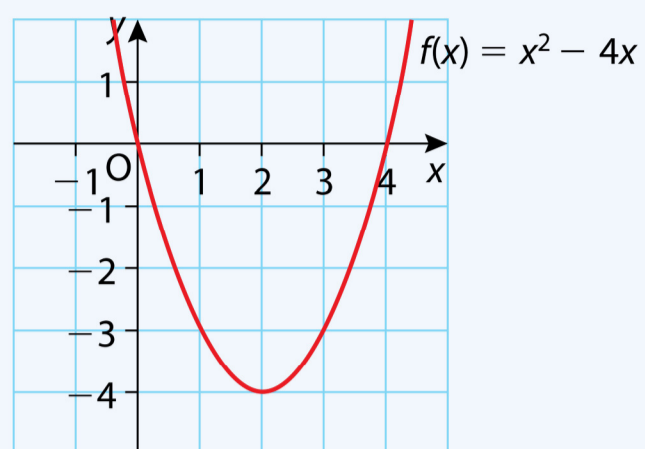


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2. (a) On the right is the graph of the function $f(x) = x^2 - 4x$.

Use the curve to write down

- $f(3.5)$
- the values of x for which $f(x) = -3$
- the minimum value of $f(x)$
- the equation of the axis of symmetry of the curve.



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- (b) Match each of the graphs on the next page with one of the equations given.

$$y = kx$$

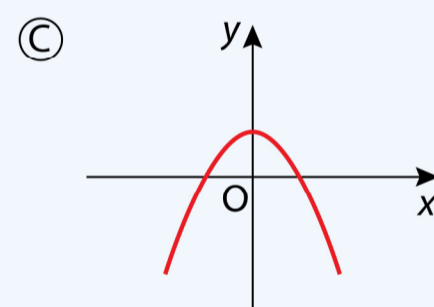
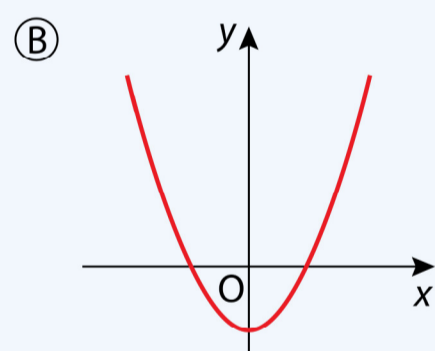
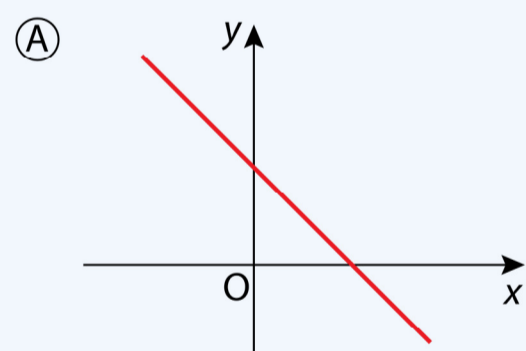
$$y = x^2 - k$$

$$y = k - x^2$$

$$y = k - x$$

In each equation, k is a positive number.

(One of the equations is not needed.)

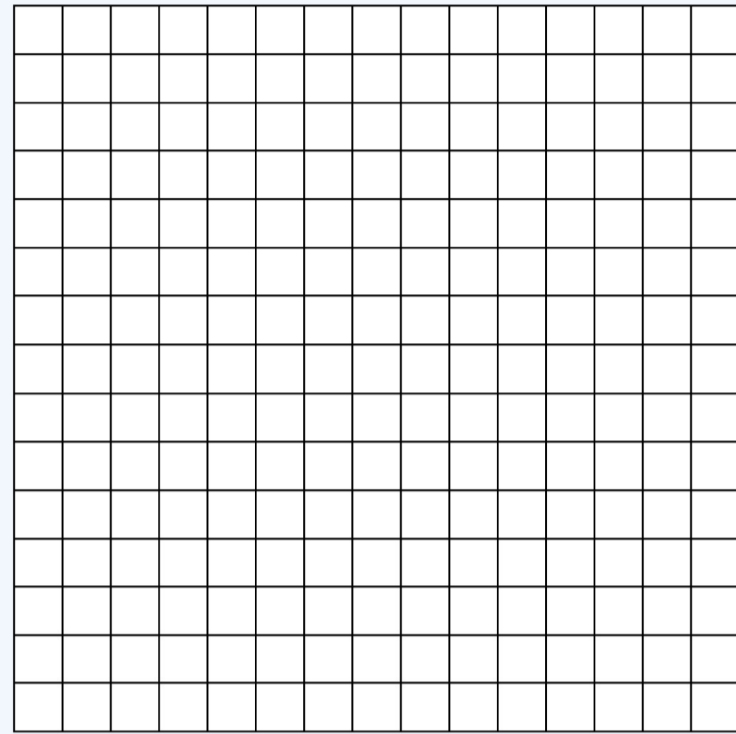
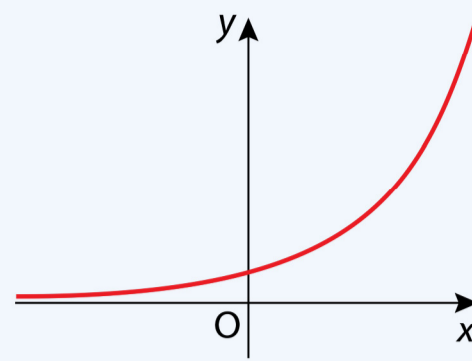


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(c) The diagram shows a sketch of the curve $y = 3^x$.

- (i) Write down the coordinates of the point where the curve cuts the y -axis.
- (ii) Copy the diagram and add sketches of the curves

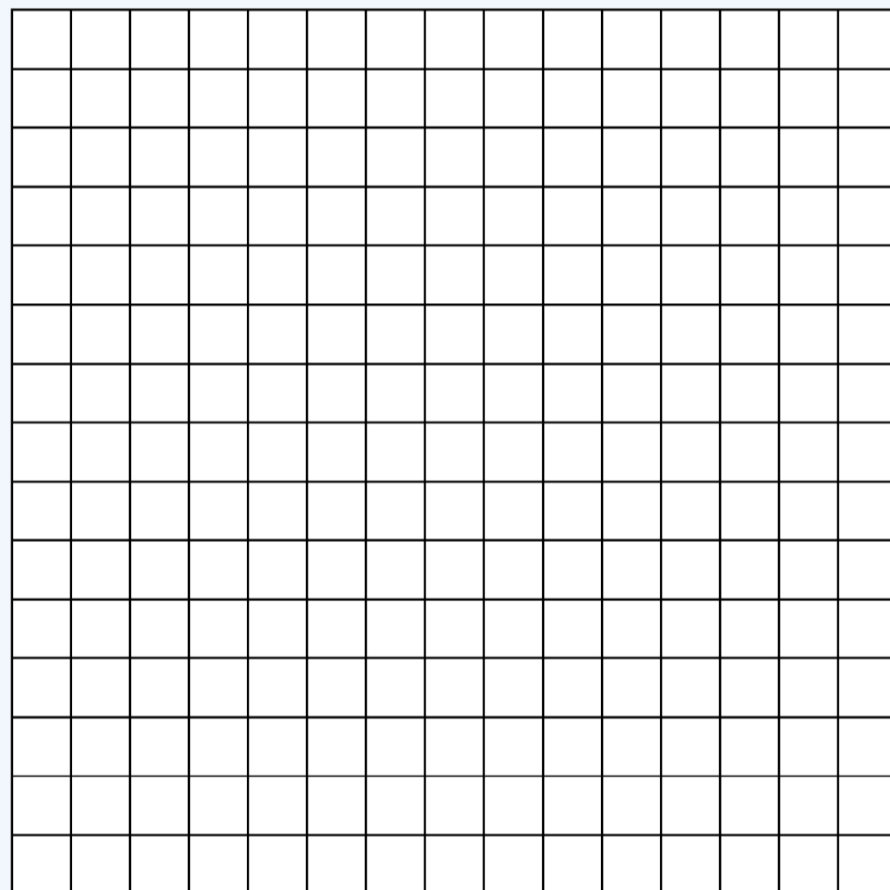
(a) 2×3^x (b) 5×3^x .



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3. (a) A straight line is represented by the equation $y = ax + b$. Sketch a possible straight line graph to illustrate this equation when $a = 0$ and $b > 0$.

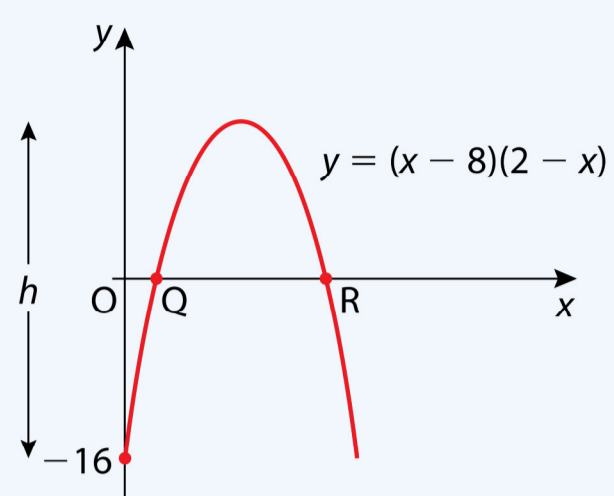
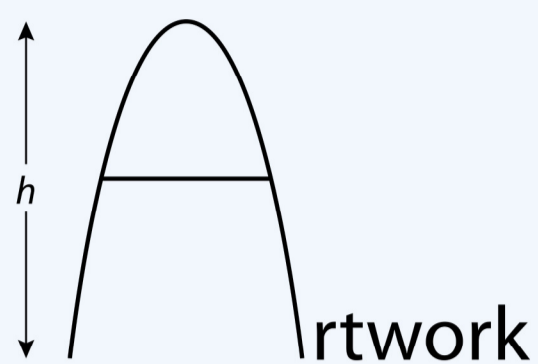


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- (b) The curved part of the letter A in the *Artwork* logo is in the shape of a parabola.

The equation of this parabola is $y = (x - 8)(2 - x)$.



- (i) Write down the coordinates of Q and R.
(ii) Calculate the height, h , of the letter A.

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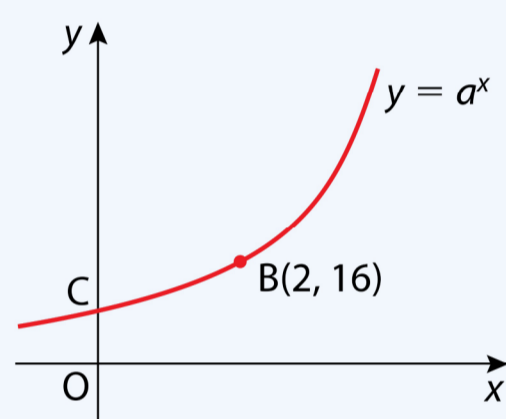
- (c) Part of the graph of $y = a^x$, where $a > 0$, is shown.

The graph cuts the y -axis at C.

- (i) Write down the coordinates of C.

B is the point (2, 16).

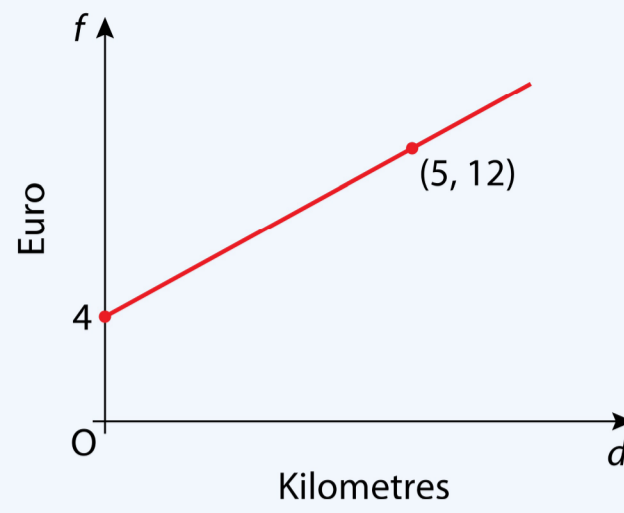
- (ii) Calculate the value of a .



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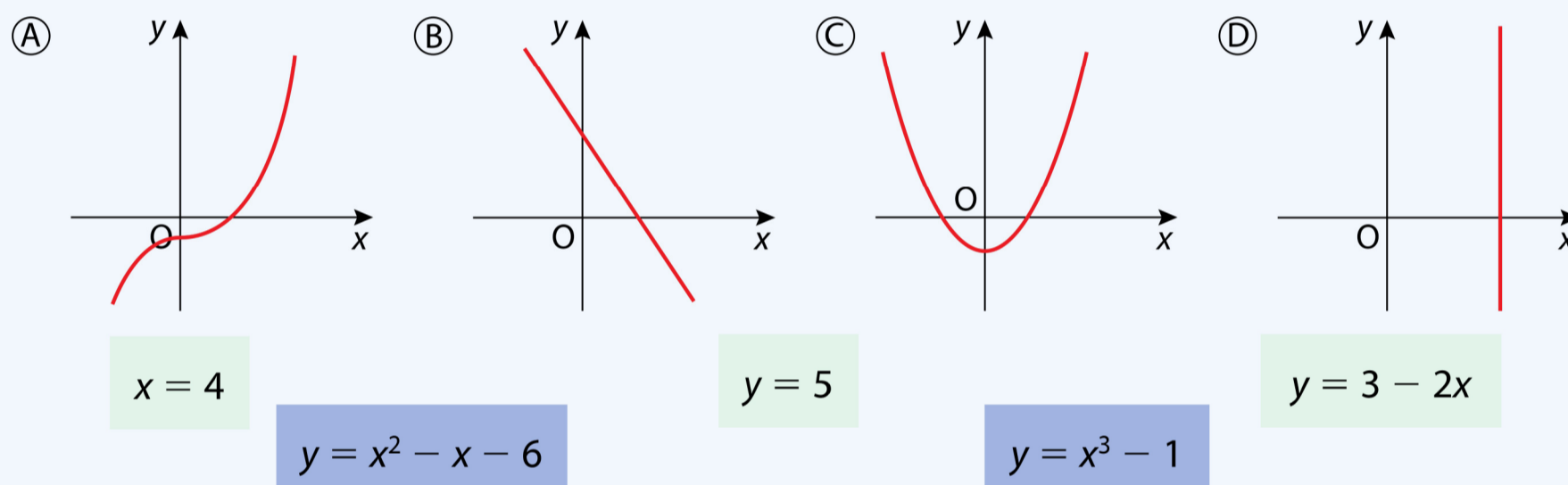
4. (a) A taxi fare consists of a €4 “callout” charge **plus** a fixed amount per kilometre. The graph shows the fare, f euro, for a journey of d kilometres. The taxi fare for a 5 km journey is €12. Find the equation of the straight line in terms of d and f . Use the equation to find the cost of a journey of 20 km.



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- (b) Match the graphs below with their equations. For the equation that is left over, sketch its graph.



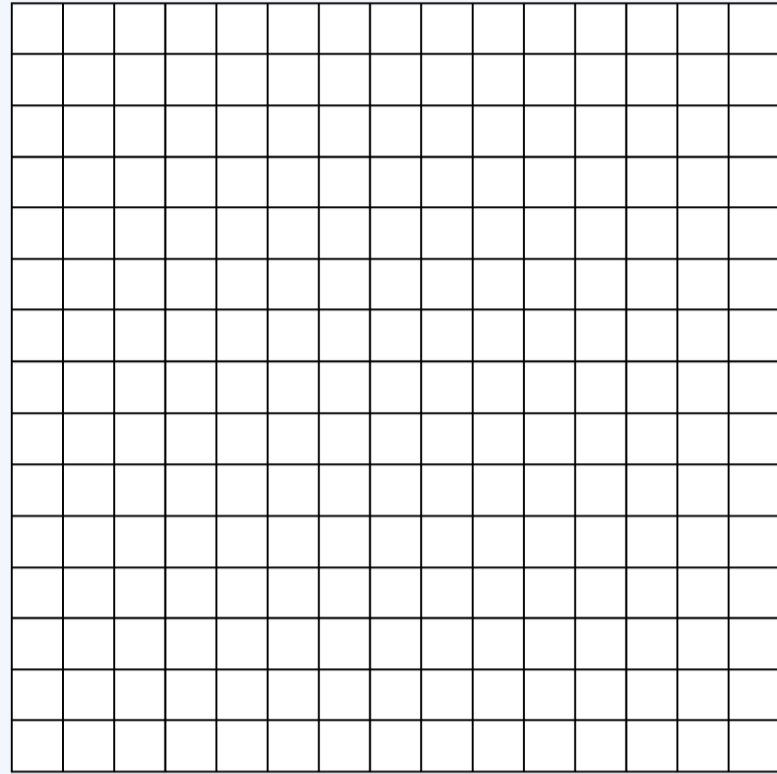
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(c) Copy and complete the following table.

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5
2^x	0.125			1		4			

- (i) Use the values in your table to draw the graph of $y = 2^x$ using a scale of 1 cm for 1 unit on the x-axis, and 1 cm for 5 units on the y-axis.
 (ii) Use your graph to solve the equation $2^x = 5$.

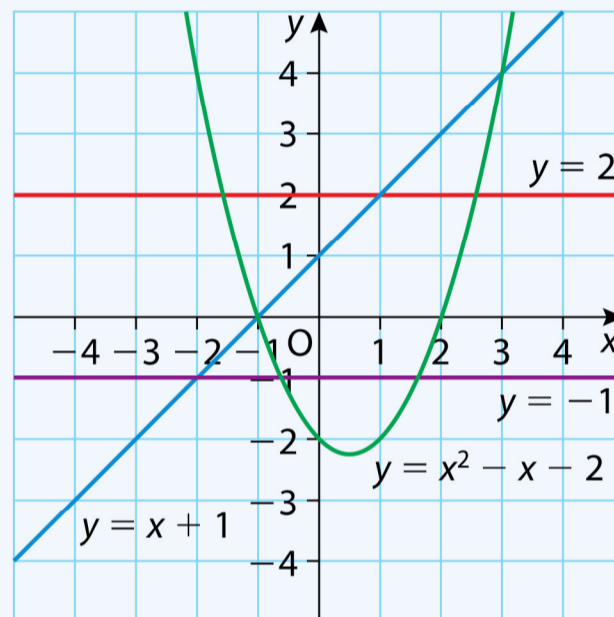


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5. (a) Some graphs are drawn on the right. Use these graphs to find the approximate solutions of these equations:

- (i) $x^2 - x - 2 = 2$
 (ii) $x^2 - x - 2 = -1$
 (iii) $x^2 - x - 2 = x + 1$



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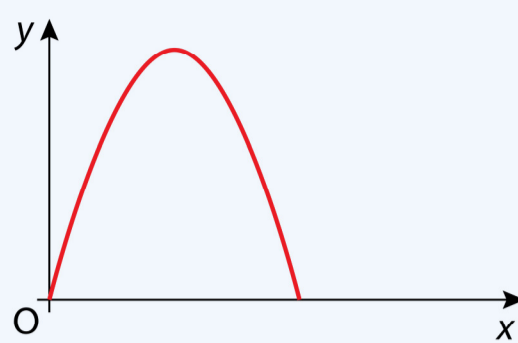
- (b) The profit made by the publishing company of a magazine is calculated by the formula

$$y = 4x(140 - x),$$

where y is the profit (in euro) and x is the selling price of the magazine (in euro).

The graph on the right represents the profit y against the selling price x .

Find the maximum profit the company can make from the sale of the magazine.



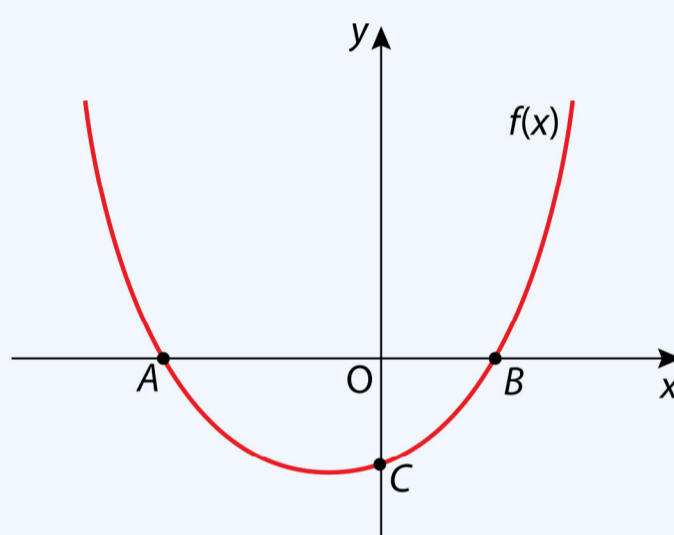
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- (c) The curve on the right is the graph of the function

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3.$$

- Find the coordinates of A , B and C .
- Write down the values of x for which $f(x) \leq 0$.
- If $f(k) = -3$, find two values for k .



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6. (a) The following table gives the cost of hiring a surfboard for a number of days:

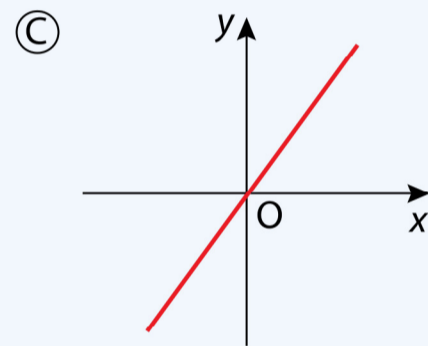
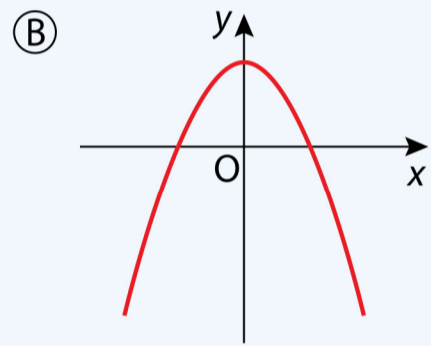
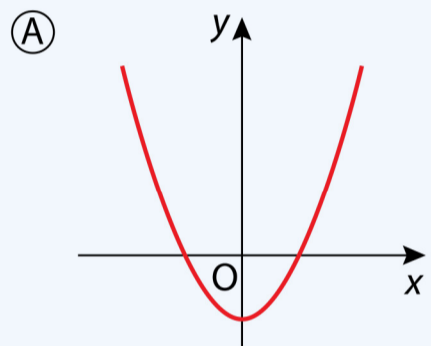
Days t	3	4	5	6
Cost $\text{€}C$	50	60	70	80

- (i) By using any two couples, write down the equation of the line that relates the cost $\text{€}C$ to the number of days t .
(ii) Use the equation to find the cost of hiring a surfboard for two weeks.

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- (b) Which sketch graph fits which equation?
Give reasons for your answers.



$$y = 2x$$

$$y = x^2 - 2$$

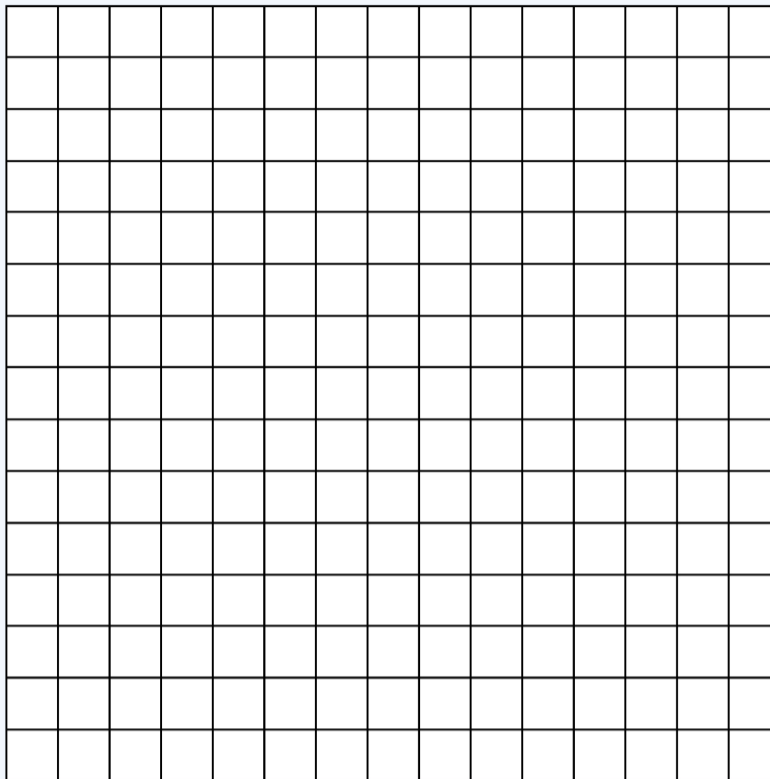
$$y = 2 - x^2$$

$$y = x^2 + 2$$

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- (c) Draw a graph of the function $f(x) = x^3 - 5x + 1$ in the domain $-3 \leq x \leq 3$.
 Use your graph to estimate
- the roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$
 - the values of x for which $f(x) > 0$ when $x < 0$
 - $f(-2.5)$
 - the roots of the equation $f(x) = 1$.
- Explain algebraically why one of the roots you have found in (iv) gives an approximate value for $\sqrt{5}$.



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Answers Test yourself 17

- 5.5
 - 1.5
 - 30 sec
 - 225 m
 - $(-1, 6), (0, 4), (1, -4), (2, -6)$;
 - 1.85, 0.7, 3.2
 - $(2, -6)$
 - 1.4, 0, 3.4
- 1.75
 - $x = 1, 3$
 - 4
 - $A: y = k - x; B: y = x^2 - k; C: y = k - x^2$
 - $(0, 1)$
- $Q(2, 0); R(8, 0)$
 - $h = 25$
 - $(0, 1)$
 - $a = 4$
- $5f = 8d + 20; \text{€}36$
 - $A: y = x^3 - 1; B: y = 3 - 2x;$
 $C: x^2 - x - 6; D: x = 4$
- $(-3, 0.125), (-2, 0.25), (-1, 0.5), (0.1),$
 $(1, 2), (2, 4), (3, 8), (4, 16), (5, 32)$
 - 2.3
 - 1.6, 2.6
 - 0.6, 1.6
 - 1, 3
 - €19 600
 - $A = (-1, 0), B = (3, 0), C = (0, -3)$
 - $-1 \leq x \leq 3$
 - $k = 0, 2$
- €C = $10t + 20$
 - €160
 - $A: y = x^2 - 2; B: y = 2 - x^2; C: y = 2x$
 - 2.3, 0.2, 2.1
 - $-2.3 < x < 0$
 - 2.1
 - 2.25, 0, 2.25
 - $x^3 - 5x + 1 = 1 \Rightarrow x^3 - 5x = 0 \Rightarrow$
 $x(x^2 - 5) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm\sqrt{5}$