Student Activity 1c



Tables for each of the functions below are drawn on the next page of this document for $x \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

Fill out the tables for each function first so that you can decide on a scale which will suit all the functions when plotting a graph. Plot all the graphs **using the same axes and scales** using the grid given on the next page.

Verify the shape of each graph by calculating y values of points, between those plotted, and comparing the answers with the y values of the same points given by your graph.

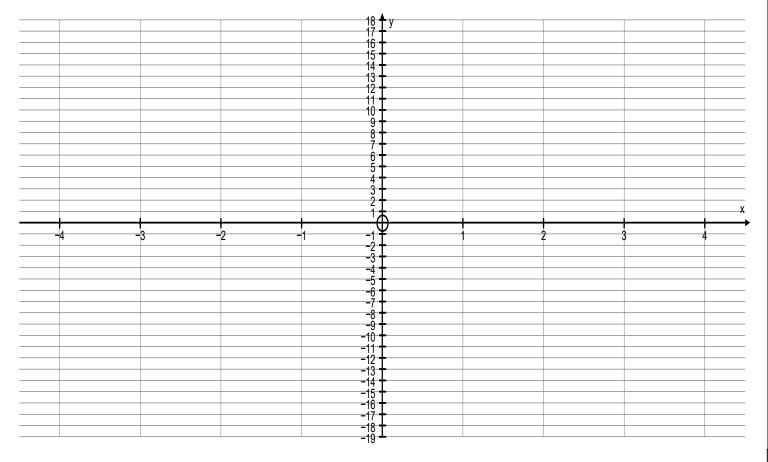
| Polynomial in the form $f(x) = x^2 \pm c$ | State the shape of the graph and whether it opens upwards or downwards | x – intercepts (algebraic method and using the graph) | y – intercept (algebraic method and using the graph) | Maximum/ minimum point as an ordered pair and labelled as max or min | Real root(s) of f(x)=0 | Equation of the axis of symmetry | f (2.7) | Solve f(x) = 8 | For what x values is $f(x)$ positive i.e. $f(x) > 0$? | For what x values is $f(x)$ negative i.e. $f(x) < 0$? | For what x values is f(x) increasing? | For what x values is f(x) decreasing? |
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| $y = x^2$ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| $y = x^2 + 8$ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| $y = x^2 - 8$ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| $y = x^2 + 2$ | | | | | | | | | | | | |

1. What is the effect of the constant c on the graph of the function $f(x) = x^2 \pm c$? Explain.

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Draw the graph of $y = x^2$ using a black marker and use different coloured markers to draw the other curves. Label all the graphs clearly.



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