

Practice 10-1 Exploring Quadratic Graphs

Identify the vertex of each graph. Tell whether it is a minimum or a maximum.

1. $y = -3x^2$

2. $y = -7x^2$

3. $y = 0.5x^2$

Order each group of quadratic functions from widest to narrowest graph.

4. $y = x^2, y = 5x^2, y = 3x^2$

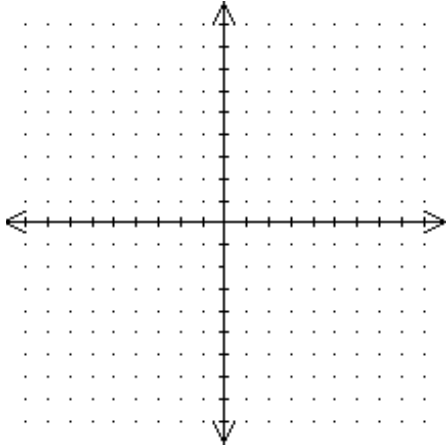
5. $y = -8x^2, y = 1/2x^2, y = -x^2$

6. $y = 5x^2, y = -4x^2, y = 2x^2$

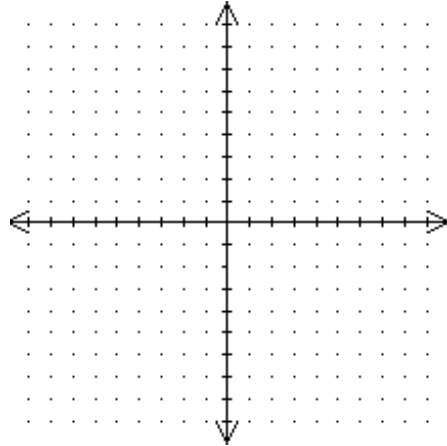
7. $y = -1/3x^2, y = x^2, y = -3x^2$

Graph each function.

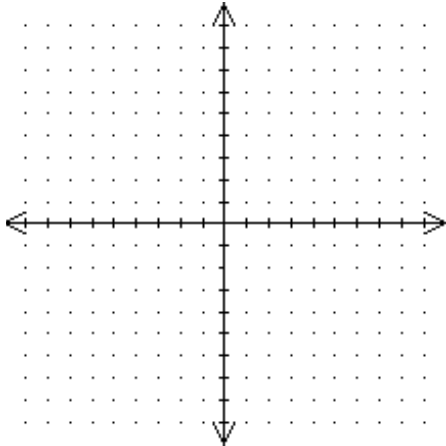
8. $y = 2x^2$



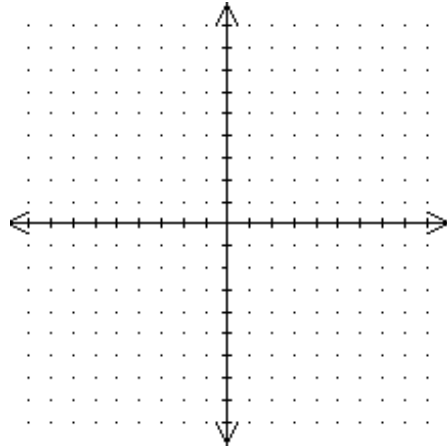
9. $y = -3x^2$



10. $y = x^2 - 3$



11. $y = -x^2 + 4$



12. The price of a stock on the NYSE is modeled by the function $y = 0.005x^2 + 10$, where x is the number of months the stock has been available.

- a. Graph the function.
- b. What x -values make sense for the domain? Explain why.
- c. What y -values make sense for the range? Explain why.