

Functions - Lesson 2

Values of Quadratic Functions

LI

- Know what a Quadratic Function is.
- Work out values of a quadratic function without a calculator.

SC

- Substitution.

A quadratic function is one of the form :

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

(b and c are any numbers) (a ≠ 0)

Example 1

If $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$, calculate :

(a) $f(1)$.

(b) $f(0)$.

(c) $f(-3)$.

(a) $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$

$$\therefore f(1) = (1)^2 + 3(1) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(1) = 1 + 3 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f(1) = 5}$$

(b) $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$

$$\therefore f(0) = (0)^2 + 3(0) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) = 0 + 0 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f(0) = 1}$$

(c) $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$

$$\therefore f(-3) = (-3)^2 + 3(-3) + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(-3) = 9 - 9 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f(-3) = 1}$$

Example 2

If $p(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 2$, calculate :

(a) $p(2)$.

(b) $p(0)$.

(c) $p(-4)$.

$$(a) \quad p(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$\therefore p(2) = 3(2)^2 - 4(2) + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 3(4) - 8 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 12 - 8 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 6$$

$$(b) \quad p(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$\therefore p(0) = 3(0)^2 - 4(0) + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(0) = 3(0) - 0 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(0) = 0 - 0 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(0) = 2$$

$$(c) \quad p(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$\therefore p(-4) = 3(-4)^2 - 4(-4) + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(-4) = 3(16) + 16 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(-4) = 48 + 16 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow p(-4) = 66$$

$$1) f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 3; f(1), f(3)$$

$$2) g(x) = x^2 + 5x - 8; g(7), g(-1)$$

$$3) h(x) = x^2 - 7x - 2; h(0), h(4)$$

$$4) b(x) = x^2 - 4x + 2; b(6), b(-10)$$

$$5) m(x) = x^2 - 8x + 4; m(2), m(3)$$

$$6) w(x) = x^2 + 5x - 9; w(3), w(4)$$

$$7) A(x) = 3x^2 - 6x + 1; A(12), A(-30)$$

$$8) Q(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 2; Q(50), Q(90)$$

$$9) c(x) = 3x^2 - x + 6; c(8), c(12)$$

$$10) N(x) = 4x^2 - 5x + 2; N(100), N(200)$$

$$11) j(x) = 5x^2 - 6x + 11; j(30), j(-30)$$

$$12) T(x) = 6x^2 - 11x - 12; T(12), T(-8)$$

$$1) f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 3; f(1), f(3) \text{ } 6, 18$$

$$2) g(x) = x^2 + 5x - 8; g(7), g(-1) \text{ } 76, -12$$

$$3) h(x) = x^2 - 7x - 2; h(0), h(4) \text{ } -2, -14$$

$$4) b(x) = x^2 - 4x + 2; b(6), b(-10) \text{ } 14, 142$$

$$5) m(x) = x^2 - 8x + 4; m(2), m(3) \text{ } -8, -11$$

$$6) w(x) = x^2 + 5x - 9; w(3), w(4) \text{ } 15, 27$$

$$7) A(x) = 3x^2 - 6x + 1; A(12), A(-30) \text{ } 361, 2881$$

$$8) Q(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 2; Q(50), Q(90) \text{ } 4798, 15838$$

$$9) c(x) = 3x^2 - x + 6; c(8), c(12) \text{ } 190, 426$$

$$10) N(x) = 4x^2 - 5x + 2; N(100), N(200) \text{ } 39502, 159002$$

$$11) j(x) = 5x^2 - 6x + 11; j(30), j(-30) \text{ } 4331, 4691$$

$$12) T(x) = 6x^2 - 11x - 12; T(12), T(-8) \text{ } 720, 460$$