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## Number of Zeros

State the number of zeros each quadratic has without graphing or solving

1.  $y = (x-4)^2 - 3$

2.  $y = -5(x+6)^2$

3.  $y = -3(x+1)^2 - 1$

4.  $y = 2x^2 + 6$

5.  $y = 7(x+4)^2 + 3$

6. For what value(s) of  $k$  will the function  ~~$f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + k$~~  have one  $x$ -intercept?

7. For what value(s) of  $k$  will the function  ~~$f(y) = kx^2 - 4x + k$~~  have no zeros?

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8. For what values of  $k$  will the function  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 4x + k = 0$  have no zeros? one zero? two zeros?

9. The graph of the function  $f(x) = x^2 - kx + k + 8$  touches the  $x$ -axis at one point. What are the possible values of  $k$ ?

10. Is it possible for  $n^2 + 25$  to equal  $-8n$ ? Explain.

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11.  $y = 4x^2 + 10x - 12$

12.  $y = x^2 + 2x + 9$

13.  $y = x^2 - 10x + 25$


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1.  $y = (x-4)^2 - 3$

opens up  
shift down  
∴ 2 zeros



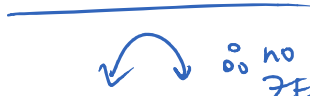
2.  $y = -5(x+6)^2$

no shift up/down  
∴ one zero




3.  $y = -3(x+1)^2 - 1$

opens down  
shift down  
∴ no zeros




4.  $y = 2x^2 + 6$

opens up  
shift up  
∴ no zeros



5.  $y = 7(x+4)^2 + 3$

opens up  
shift up  
∴ no zeros



6. For what value(s) of  $k$  will the function  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + k$  have one  $x$ -intercept?

one  $x$ -int if discriminant = 0  
 $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$(-4)^2 - 4(3)k = 0$$

$$16 - 12k = 0$$

$$16 = 12k$$

$$\therefore \frac{4}{3} = k$$

7. For what value(s) of  $k$  will the function  $f(x) = kx^2 - 4x + k$  have no zeros?

no zeros if discriminant  $< 0$

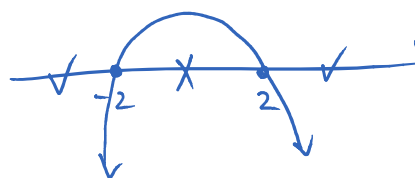
$$b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

$$(-4)^2 - 4(k)(k) < 0$$

$$16 - 4k^2 < 0$$

$$4(4 - k^2) < 0$$

$$4(2+k)(2-k) < 0$$



∴ for  $k$  less than  $-2$   
OR  $k$  more than  $2$

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8. For what values of  $k$  will the function  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 4x + k = 0$  have no zeros? one zero? two zeros?

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{one zero} \\ b^2 - 4ac = 0 \\ 4^2 - 4(3)k = 0 \\ 16 - 12k = 0 \\ \frac{4}{3} = k \end{array} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{no zeros} \\ b^2 - 4ac < 0 \\ \frac{4}{3} < k \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{same steps} \\ \frac{4}{3} > k \end{array} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{two zeros} \\ b^2 - 4ac > 0 \\ \frac{4}{3} > k \end{array} \right\}$$

9. The graph of the function  $f(x) = x^2 - kx + k + 8$  touches the  $x$ -axis at one point. What are the possible values of  $k$ ?

one solution if discriminant = 0

$$\begin{aligned} b^2 - 4ac &= 0 \\ (-k)^2 - 4(1)(k+8) &= 0 \\ k^2 - 4k - 32 &= 0 \\ (k-8)(k+4) &= 0 \\ \therefore k &= 8 \text{ or } k = -4 \end{aligned}$$

10. Is it possible for  $n^2 + 25$  to equal  $-8n$ ? Explain.

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 25 &= -8n \\ n^2 + 8n + 25 &= 0 \\ b^2 - 4ac &= 8^2 - 4(1)(25) \\ &= -36 \end{aligned} \therefore \text{no solutions } \therefore \text{impossible}$$

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11.  $y = 4x^2 + 10x - 12$

$$\begin{aligned} b^2 - 4ac &= 10^2 - 4(4)(-12) \\ &= 100 + 192 \\ &= 292 > 0 \\ \therefore &\text{two zeros} \end{aligned}$$

12.  $y = x^2 + 2x + 9$

$$\begin{aligned} b^2 - 4ac &= 2^2 - 4(1)(9) \\ &= 4 - 36 \\ &= -32 < 0 \\ \therefore &\text{no zeros} \end{aligned}$$

13.  $y = x^2 - 10x + 25$

$$\begin{aligned} b^2 - 4ac &= (-10)^2 - 4(1)(25) \\ &= 100 - 100 \\ &= 0 \\ \therefore &\text{one zero} \end{aligned}$$