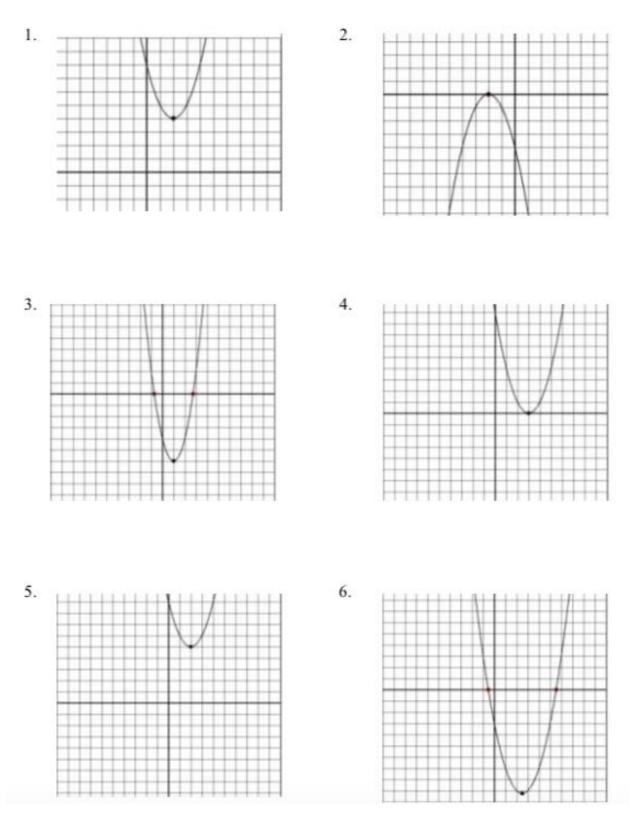
The Discriminant: $b^2 - 4ac$

Given the graphs below determine:

- a. is the discriminant > 0, < 0, or = 0
- b. the number of roots (solutions)
- c. are the roots real or imaginary



Find the discriminant to determine the number and nature of the roots of the equation.

7.
$$x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$$
8. $x^2 - 5x - 34 = 0$

9. $2x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$
10. $3x^2 - 6x + 2 = 0$

11. $3x + 7 = -5x^2 - 4$
12. $-3x^2 + 17x - 2 = 3$

13. $25x^2 - 15x - 64 = 5x - 10$

Find the discriminant to determine the number of x-intercepts of the function.

- 14. $f(x) = 3x^2 4x + 2$ 15. $f(x) = -2x^2 + 6x - 8$
- 16. $f(x) = x^2 7x + 7$ 17. $f(x) = 9x^2 + 24x + 16$
- 18. $f(x) = x^2 3x + 4$ 19. $f(x) = -x^2 - 4$
- 20. $f(x) = 4x^2 28x + 49$

Take it a step further!

- 21, Find all the values of *a* such that $ax^2 + 3x + 5 = 0$ has two real roots.
- 22. Find all the values of *a* such that $ax^2 + 48x + 64 = 0$ has one real root (a double root).
- 23. Find all the values of *a* such that $ax^2 + 3x 6 = 0$ has two imaginary roots.
- 24. Find all the values of c such that $2x^2 6x + c = 0$ has two imaginary roots.
- 25. Find all the values of c such $-4x^2 + 8x + c = 0$ that two has real roots.
- 26. Assuming , $b \neq 0$, does the sign of b affect the value of the discriminant?