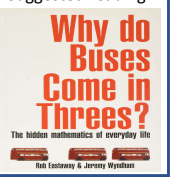
Waingels Maths

Year 9 – Representations

Algebraic Representation

Suggested reading



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What do I need to be able to do?

By the end of this unit you should be able to:

- Draw quadratic graphs
- Interpret quadratic graphs
- Interpret other graphs including reciprocals
- Represent inequalities

Keywords

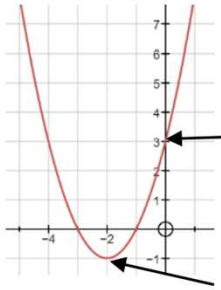
Quadratic: a curved graph with the highest power being 2. Square power.
Inequality: makes a non equal comparison between two numbers
Reciprocal: a reciprocal is 1 divided by the number
Cubic: a curved graph with the highest power being 3. Cubic power.
Origin: the coordinate (0, 0)
Parabola: a 'u' shaped curve that has mirror symmetry

Quadratic Graphs

$y = x^2 + 4x + 3$

If x^2 is the highest power in your equation then you have a quadratic graph

It will have a parabola shape



Intersection with the y axis

Substitute the x values into the equation of your line to find the y coordinates

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1
y	3	0	-1	0	3	8

Coordinate pairs for plotting $(-3, 0)$

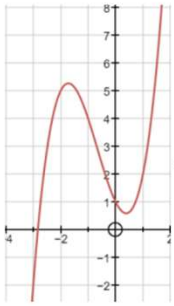
Plot all of the coordinate pairs and join the points with a curve (freehand)

Quadratic graphs are always symmetrical with the turning point in the middle

Interpret other graphs

Cubic Graphs

$y = x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + 1$



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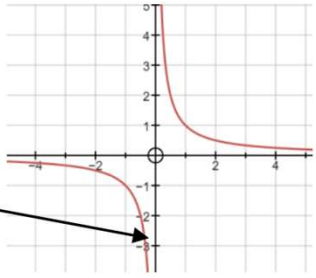
Reciprocal Graphs

$y = \frac{1}{x}$

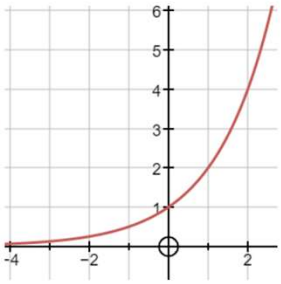


Reciprocal graphs never touch the y axis
This is because x cannot be 0
This is an asymptote

Exponential Graphs

$y = 2^x$

Exponential graphs have a power of x

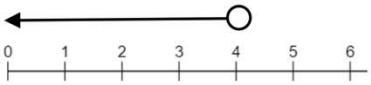


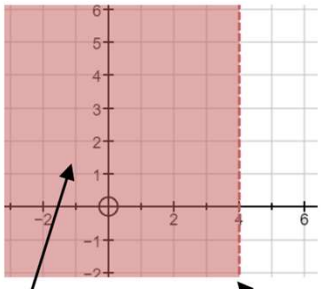
Represent Inequalities

Multiple methods of representing inequalities

$x < 4$

All values are less than 4



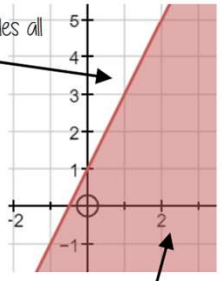


The shaded area indicates all possible values of x

The dotted line shows that the inequality does not include these points

The solid line shows that the inequality includes all the points on this line

$y \geq 2x + 1$



The shaded area indicates all possible solutions to this inequality