

Quadratics with no x-intercepts:

When a parabola has no x-intercepts, we tend to talk about these intercepts as being **imaginary**.

In mathematics, imaginary numbers are an actual thing!

Example 1: Solve $y = 2(x+1)^2 + 8$

$$0 = -2(x+1)^2 + \cancel{8}$$

$\begin{array}{r} -8 \\ \hline -8 \end{array}$

$$\frac{-8}{-2} = \frac{-2(x+1)^2}{-2}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{4} = \sqrt{(x+1)^2}$$

$$(-3, 0)$$

$$(1, 0)$$

Example 2: Solve $y = 3x^2 - 5x + 6$

$$a=3 \quad b=-5 \quad c=6$$

$$X = \frac{-(-5) \pm \sqrt{(-5)^2 - 4(3)(6)}}{2(3)}$$

$$X = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{-47}}{6}$$

Practice Simplifying Radicals

$$\sqrt{-81}$$

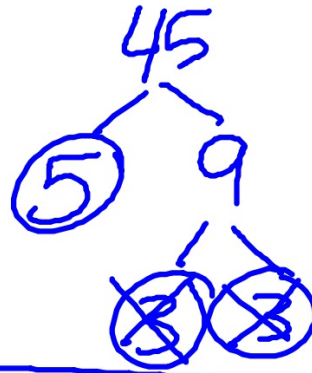
$$\sqrt{81} = 9$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{81}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \cdot 9$$

$$9i$$

$$\sqrt{-45} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{45}$$



$$3\sqrt{5} \sqrt{-1}$$

$$3i\sqrt{5}$$

Before the Video:

- 1. In your own words, explain what it means to find an "imaginary solution" for the graph.**
- 2. Brainstorm in what ways imaginary numbers could apply to real-world math. Record your thoughts.**
- 3. Look up the word "lateral" and write down the definition. You will hear it used in the video and will later reflect on the way in which it was used.**



During the Video:

- 1. How does the speaker define an "imaginary solution?"
What does he say it means for the graph?**
- 2. The speaker goes on to compare imaginary numbers to negative numbers and zero. In what way(s) are they similar?**

After the Video:

1. What topics or real-world applications do you think could involve imaginary numbers?

$$a + bi$$

2. Looking back at your definition of lateral, why do you think mathematicians thought this would be a good name for imaginaries?

3. How does the idea of a different "dimension" of numbers affect your prospective of math?

Imaginary Numbers: a number that when squared has a negative result

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

When we come across the square root of a negative number,

we know this is impossible to evaluate, so we kick out the negative & turn it into an i.

Example 2: $y = 3x^2 - 5x + 6$

$$\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{-47}}{6}$$

$$\left(\frac{5 + i\sqrt{47}}{6}, 0 \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{5 - i\sqrt{47}}{6}, 0 \right)$$

$$= \frac{5 \pm i\sqrt{47}}{6}$$

Example 3: Solve $2x^2 - 4 = -5x - 10$

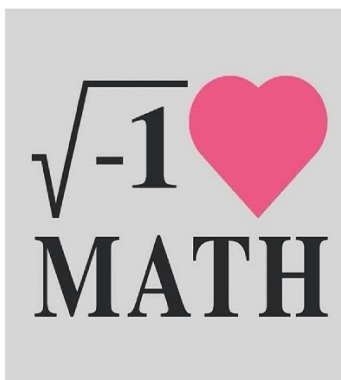
$$\left(\frac{-5 + i\sqrt{23}}{4}, 0 \right)$$
$$\left(\frac{-5 - i\sqrt{23}}{4}, 0 \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +5x \quad +5x \\ \hline 2x^2 + 5x - 4 = -10 \\ \hline +10 \quad +10 \\ \hline 2x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$a = 2$$
$$b = 5$$
$$c = 6$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(2)(6)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{-23}}{4} = \boxed{\frac{-5 \pm i\sqrt{23}}{4}}$$



Try one on your own!

Solve: $y = 4(x + 5)^2 + 16$

$$0 = 4(x+5)^2 + 16$$

$$\frac{-16}{4} = \frac{4(x+5)^2}{4}$$

$$-4 = (x+5)^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{-4} = \pm \sqrt{(x+5)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{-4} \quad \sqrt{4}$$

$$\rightarrow \pm 2i = x+5$$

$$\textcircled{1} x+5 = 2i$$

$$\boxed{x = 2i - 5}$$

$$\textcircled{2} x+5 = -2i$$

$$\boxed{x = -2i - 5}$$

$$(2i-5, 0) \quad (-2i-5, 0)$$

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