

**Solving Quadratic Equations by Graphing**

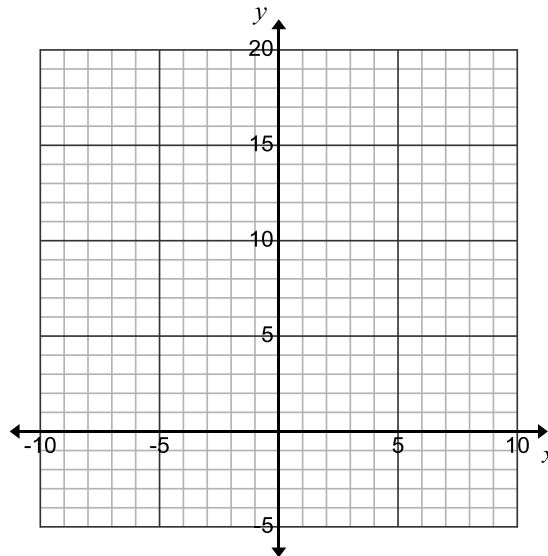
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**Ex. 1:** Given the quadratic equation  $0 = -x^2 + 4x + 12$ ,  
 solve it by sketching the corresponding quadratic function  $f(x) = -x^2 + 4x + 12$ .

The x-intercepts (or zeros) of the function are the solutions (or roots) of the equation.

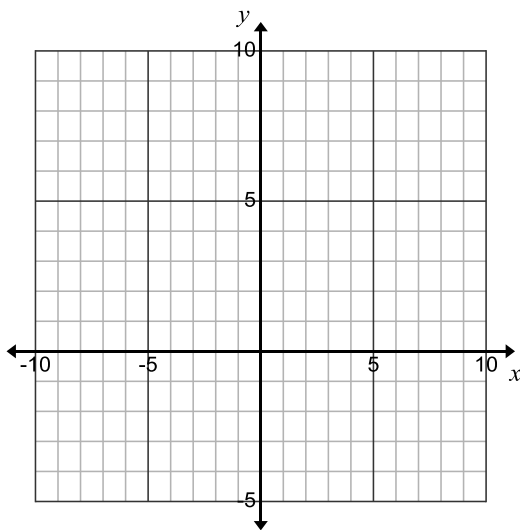
$$f(x) = -x^2 + 4x + 12 \quad (\text{complete the square})$$

$$0 = -x^2 + 4x + 12 \quad (\text{factor})$$

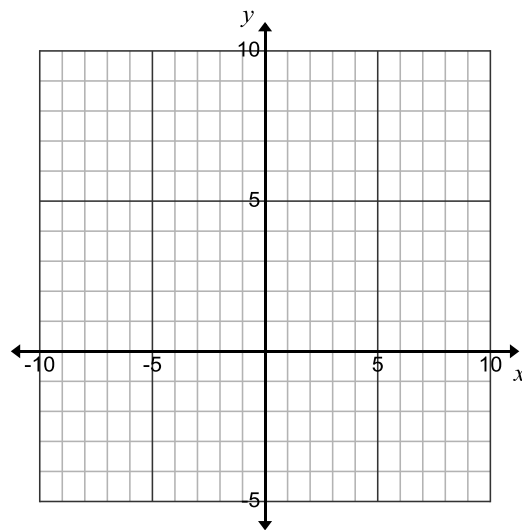


**Ex. 2:** Determine the solution to the quadratic equation  $x^2 - 6x + 8 = 3$  by graphing.

Method 1



Method 2



**Homework:** p. 149 # 1b, 2a (by hand), 3ac, 6, 11, 12, 13  
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