

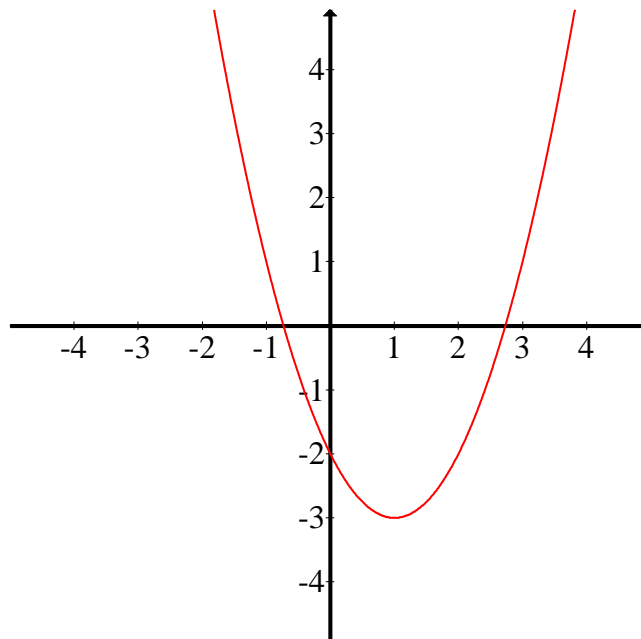
1) Let  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 5$  and  $g(x) = x - 3$ . Find  $f(2)$ .

Plug "2" in for "x"

$$f(2) = 2 \cdot (2)^2 + 5 = 13$$

2) Sketch a graph of  $f(x) = (x - 1)^2 - 3$

This is the graph of  $y = x^2$  with a shift one unit right and then three units down:



3) The number of gremlin-free households,  $H$  (in thousands), can be approximated using the equation

$$H = 171y + 2913$$

where  $y$  is the number of years since 1990.

Find and interpret the  $H$ -intercept for the line.

Note that this question has two parts. "Find **and** interpret".

Here " $y$ " is the independent variable, which is usually " $x$ ".

Here " $H$ " is the "dependent" variable, which is usually " $y$ ".

The  $H$ -intercept is when it crosses the  $H$  axis. This happens when  $y = 0$ , so the  $H$ -intercept is 2913 thousand.

(Don't lose the units! That's not 2913, that's 2,913,000 !)

What does this mean?  $y = 0$  means "0 years since 1990", so this can be interpreted as "There were 2913 thousand gremlin-free homes in 1990."