



The Sutton Academy

# Knowledge Rich Curriculum Plan

Year 10 Intermediate – Algebra 4

Lesson	Intended Knowledge:	Tiered Vocabulary	Prior Knowledge:	Assessment	Feedback
To learn how to find the nth term of a quadratic sequence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to find the nth term of a quadratic sequence in the form <math>an^2 + b</math>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Opportunity for challenge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to find the nth term of a quadratic sequence in the form <math>an^2 + bn + c</math>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Quadratic</b> – involving a squared algebraic term but no other power higher than 2</p> <p><b>Substitution</b> - replacing letters with numbers in algebraic expressions or equations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to know how to find the nth term of a linear sequence.</li> <li>Students will need to know how to generate a sequence for a given quadratic nth term.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success – Quadratic nth term in the form <math>an^2 + b</math></b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> Find the differences between the terms in the sequence, if it isn't the same you have to find the second difference – this shows that it is a quadratic sequence.</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Half the second difference and put it as the coefficient of <math>n^2</math>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if the second difference is 2 then the sequence contains <math>1n^2</math> (we just write this as <math>n^2</math>).</li> <li>if the second difference is 4 the sequence contains <math>2n^2</math></li> <li>if the second difference is 6 then the sequence contains <math>3n^2</math> and so on...</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Write out <math>an^2</math> – substitute in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 to generate this sequence, remember the order of operations!</p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Subtract <math>an^2</math> from your original sequence.</p> <p><b>Step 5:</b> These numbers should be the same. Add or subtract this number from your <math>an^2</math>.</p> <p><b>Steps to Success – Quadratic nth term in the form <math>an^2 + bn + c</math></b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> Find the differences between the terms in the sequence, if it isn't the same you have to find the second difference – this shows that it is a quadratic sequence.</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Half the second difference and put it as the coefficient of <math>n^2</math>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if the second difference is 2 then the sequence contains <math>1n^2</math> (we just write this as <math>n^2</math>).</li> <li>if the second difference is 4 the sequence contains <math>2n^2</math></li> <li>if the second difference is 6 then the sequence contains <math>3n^2</math> and so on...</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Write out <math>an^2</math> – substitute in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 to generate this sequence, remember the order of operations!</p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Subtract <math>an^2</math> from your original sequence.</p> <p><b>Step 5:</b> Find the nth term of the linear sequence that is left over after the subtraction - if it is the same number repeating it is just +/- that number.</p> <p><b>Step 6:</b> Write your answer in the form <math>an^2 + bn + c</math>.</p>	
To learn how to draw quadratic graphs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to recognise graphs of quadratic functions.</li> <li>Students will know how to draw quadratic graphs by using a table of values without a calculator.</li> <li>Students will know how to draw quadratic graphs by using a table of values with a calculator.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Quadratic</b> – an expression where the highest power of the variable is 2</p> <p><b>Parabola</b> – the U or <math>\cap</math> shape of a quadratic graph</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to know how to substitute positive and negative integers into formulae involving squared terms.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success – Plotting Quadratic Graphs</b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> If one isn't given, construct a table with one row for x-values and another for y-values. Use the values given in the question to determine what x-coordinates to use – this may be given as an inequality or "for the values of x from -3 to 3".</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Substitute each x-value into the given equation to generate each y-value.</p> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Plot each coordinate pair on the graph with an x.</p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Draw one smooth continuous curve through every point. This should either be in the shape of a U or <math>\cap</math>.</p>	
To learn how to interpret quadratic graphs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to identify the turning point using a graph of a quadratic equation in the form of <math>ax^2 + bx + c = 0</math>.</li> <li>Students will know how to identify roots using the graph of quadratic equation in the form of <math>ax^2 + bx + c = 0</math>.</li> <li>Students will know how to identify roots using the graph of quadratic equation in the form of <math>ax^2 + bx + c = d</math>. Where d is a constant.</li> </ul> <p><b>Opportunity for challenge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to draw a quadratic graph to find the turning points and roots.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Turning Point</b> – the point at which the gradient changes of a curve (the maximum or minimum point on a curve).</p> <p><b>Root</b> – a solution to an equation where a line or curve crosses the x-axis.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to know how to draw quadratic graphs.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success- Interpreting Quadratic Graphs</b></p> <p><b>Solutions or roots to quadratic graphs</b></p> <p>If you are asked to find the solution or root of a quadratic graph in the form of <math>ax^2 + bx + c = 0</math>, it is asking for the x coordinate of where the curve touches or crosses the x-axis.</p> <p><b>Turning point</b></p> <p>If you are asked to find the turning point of a quadratic, it is asking for the highest or lowest co-ordinate depending on the quadratic, where it "turns around".</p>	

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To learn how to solve quadratics by factorising.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to solve quadratic equations in the form <math>ax^2 + bx + c = 0</math>, where <math>a = 1</math>, by factorising.</li> <li>Students will know how to solve quadratic equations involving the difference of two squares and where the coefficient of <math>x^2</math> is 1.</li> </ul> <p><b>Opportunity for challenge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to rearrange quadratic equations in the form <math>ax^2 + bx + c = 0</math>, where <math>a = 1</math>, to then factorise and solve.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Solve</b> – find an answer</p> <p><b>Equation</b> – a mathematical statement where two algebraic expressions are equal</p> <p><b>Factorise</b> – put into brackets by bringing common factors outside</p> <p><b>Quadratic Equation</b> – an equation where the highest power of the variable is 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to know how to factorise quadratic equations in the form <math>ax^2 + bx + c</math> where <math>a = 1</math>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success – Factorising and Solving Quadratics</b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> If required, rearrange the equation to make it equal zero and ensure that the <math>x^2</math> term is positive.</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Factorise the quadratic into either single or double brackets.</p> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Write each bracket equal to 0.</p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Solve each of the linear equations formed to find the two values for x.</p>	
To learn how to solve quadratics using the quadratic formula.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know that the quadratic formula is <math>x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}</math></li> <li>Students will know that we use the quadratic formula when a quadratic cannot be factorised.</li> <li>Students will know how to identify the values for a, b and c from a quadratic equation including where the equation is not necessarily in the order <math>ax^2 + bx + c</math>.</li> <li>Students will know how to substitute the values for a, b and c into the quadratic formula to solve the corresponding quadratic equation.</li> <li>Students will know that to solve quadratic equations they must be equal to zero.</li> </ul> <p><b>Opportunity for challenge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to rearrange equations to make them equal to zero before using the quadratic formula to solve them.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Formula</b> – A mathematical relationship or rule expressed in symbols.</p> <p><b>Formula sheet</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to be able to substitute numbers into formulae.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success – Using the Quadratic Formula</b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> Identify the values of a, b and c</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Substitute the values for a, b and c into the correct places in the formula</p> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Write out the calculation twice, once with the + and once with the – in place of the <math>\pm</math></p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Use your calculator to work out the answer to each of the calculations produced in step 3</p> <p><b>Step 5:</b> Check you’ve rounded to the correct degree of accuracy</p> <div style="border: 2px solid pink; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: fit-content;"> <math display="block">x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}</math> </div>	
To learn how to recognise and draw cubic, reciprocal and exponential graphs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will know how to complete a table of values and plot a cubic function.</li> <li>Students will know how to recognise and sketch graphs of the reciprocal function <math>y = \frac{k}{x}</math> with <math>x \neq 0</math></li> <li>Students will know how to recognise and sketch graphs of exponential functions.</li> <li>Students will know how to recognise the shape of different graphs and match equations to sketches.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Cubic</b> – an expression where the highest power of the variable is 3</p> <p><b>Reciprocal</b> – The reciprocal of a number is: 1 divided by the number. E.g. <math>\frac{1}{x}</math></p> <p><b>Exponential</b> – a relation of the form <math>y = a^x</math></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students need to know how to substitute positive and negative numbers into formulae.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Steps to Success- Plotting Cubic Graphs</b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> If one isn’t given, construct a table with one row for x-values and another for y-values. Use the values given in the question to determine what x-coordinates to use.</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Substitute each x-value into the given equation to generate each y-value.</p> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Plot each coordinate pair on the graph with an x.</p> <p><b>Step 4:</b> Connect the points together with a smooth connected curve. Do not use a ruler!</p> <p><b>Steps to Success- Plotting Reciprocal Graphs</b></p> <p><b>Step 1:</b> If one isn’t given, construct a table with one row for x-values and another for y-values. Use the values given in the question to determine what x-coordinates to use. Remember- 0 is <b>never</b> plotted on reciprocal graphs.</p> <p><b>Step 2:</b> Substitute each x-value into the given equation to generate each y-value. This is always in the form <math>\frac{k}{x}</math>.</p> <p><b>Step 3:</b> Plot each coordinate pair on the graph with an x, joining together the positive coordinates and negative coordinates as separate curves.</p> <p><b>Steps to Success- Plotting Exponential Graphs</b></p>	

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