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Part 1: Foundational Knowledge

What is the standard form of a quadratic equation?

Hint: Think about the general equation format for quadratics.

- ◯ A) ax^2 + bx + c = 0
- ◯ B) ax + b = 0
- ◯ C) ax^3 + bx^2 + c = 0
- ◯ D) ax^2 + bx = 0

Which of the following are components of a quadratic equation?

Hint: Consider the elements that make up the equation.

- ☐ A) Coefficient a
- ☐ B) Coefficient b
- ☐ C) Coefficient c
- ☐ D) Variable x

Explain why the coefficient a in a quadratic equation cannot be zero.

Hint: Consider the implications of a being zero on the equation's form.

List the methods used to solve quadratic equations.

Hint: Think about the various techniques you have learned.

1. Method 1

2. Method 2

3. Method 3

Part 2: Understanding Quadratics

What does the discriminant b^2 - 4ac indicate about the roots of a quadratic equation?

Hint: Consider how the discriminant relates to the nature of the roots.

- ◯ A) The sum of the roots
- ◯ B) The product of the roots
- ◯ C) The nature of the roots
- ◯ D) The vertex of the parabola

Which of the following statements about the roots of a quadratic equation are true?

Hint: Evaluate the conditions based on the discriminant.

- ☐ A) If the discriminant is positive, there are two distinct real roots.
- ☐ B) If the discriminant is zero, there is one real root.
- ☐ C) If the discriminant is negative, there are two complex roots.
- ☐ D) If the discriminant is negative, there are no roots.

Describe the relationship between the vertex form of a quadratic equation and its graph.

Hint: Consider how the vertex form affects the shape and position of the graph.

Part 3: Applying Knowledge

Given the quadratic equation x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0, what is the value of the vertex?

Hint: Use the vertex formula or complete the square to find the vertex.

- ◯ A) (2, 0)
- ◯ B) (0, 4)
- ◯ C) (2, -4)
- ◯ D) (4, 0)

Which of the following quadratic equations can be factored easily?

Hint: Look for equations with integer roots.

- ☐ A) x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0
- ☐ B) x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0
- ☐ C) x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0
- ☐ D) x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0

Solve the quadratic equation 2x^2 - 8x + 6 = 0 using the quadratic formula. Show your work.

Hint: Remember the quadratic formula is $x = (- b \pm \sqrt{(b^2 - 4ac)}) / 2a$.

Part 4: Analyzing Relationships

Which of the following is the axis of symmetry for the quadratic equation y = 3x^2 - 6x + 2?

Hint: Use the formula x = - b / (2a) to find the axis of symmetry.

- ◯ A) x = 1
- ◯ B) x = -1
- ◯ C) x = 2
- ◯ D) x = -2

Analyze the following quadratic equations and determine which have a vertex at the origin.

Hint: Consider the form of each equation to identify the vertex.

- ☐ A) y = x^2
- ☐ B) y = x^2 + 2x + 1
- ☐ C) y = x^2 - 4x + 4
- ☐ D) y = (x-1)^2 - 1

Compare and contrast the methods of solving quadratic equations by factoring and using the quadratic formula.

Hint: Think about the advantages and disadvantages of each method.

Part 5: Synthesis and Reflection

Which method would be most efficient for solving the equation x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 and why?

Hint: Consider the structure of the equation when choosing a method.

- ◯ A) Factoring
- ◯ B) Completing the Square

- ◯ C) Quadratic Formula
- ◯ D) Graphical Method

Evaluate the following scenarios and determine which would result in a quadratic equation with complex roots.

Hint: Focus on the discriminant to identify complex roots.

- ☐ A) x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0
- ☐ B) x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0
- ☐ C) x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0
- ☐ D) x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0

Create a real-world problem that can be modeled by a quadratic equation, and solve it. Provide a detailed explanation of your solution process.

Hint: Think about scenarios involving area, projectile motion, or profit maximization.