2.7 Practice A

In Exercises 1–3, write an equation of the parabola in vertex form.

- **1.** passes through (6, 4) and has vertex (2, -3)
- **2.** passes through (-3, -10) and has vertex (3, -8)
- **3.** passes through (0, -5) and has vertex (-1, 4)

In Exercises 4-6, write an equation of the parabola in intercept form.

- 4. *x*-intercepts of 10 and 6; passes through (11, 8)
- **5.** *x*-intercepts of 2 and 8; passes through (0, 3)
- 6. x-intercepts of -14 and -2; passes through (-16, -8)
- 7. Use the parabola shown.



- **a.** Write an equation of the parabola in vertex form.
- **b.** Expand the equation in part (a) to the form $y = ax^2 + bx + c$.
- **c.** Write an equation of the parabola in intercept form.
- **d.** Expand the equation in part (c) to the form $y = ax^2 + bx + c$.
- **e.** Do both methods give an equation that represents the parabola? Which method did you find easier? Explain.
- **8.** A basketball is thrown up in the air. The table shows the heights y (in feet) of the basketball after x seconds. Write and solve an equation to determine how long the ball is above 6 feet. How long is the ball in the air?

Time, <i>x</i>	0	6	12	18
Basketball height, y	5	10	10	5