Quadratic Equations and Graphs

Quadratic General Equation: $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$$h= \ \frac{b}{2a} \longrightarrow {}^{This \ is \ used \ to \ convert \ from \ General \ to \ Graphing \ equation}$$

Quadratic Graphing Equation:
$$f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$Vertex = (h,k)$$

*Vertex is either min or max of graph

Variable	Rule i.e. how variable effects graph	Example
k	Graph moves up or down if k is positive graph move up if k is negative graph moves down	$y=x^2+1$ graph moved up 1 Vertex: (0,1)
h	Graph moves left or right if h is positive graph move left if h is negative graph moves right *Remember h is negative in the equation this is why it moves in opposite direction on x-axis	y=(x+1) ² graph moved left 1 Vertex: (-1,0) *Remember the h is negative so graph moves opposite
a	Graph face up or down and either becomes skinnier or wider if a is positive graph faces up if a is negative graph faces down if a>1 graph is skinnier if a<1 graph is wider	y=2x ² graph is skinnier Vertex: (0,0) y=-1/2x ² graph is flipped upside down because of negative and wider Vertex: (0,0)