



Math Virtual Learning

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Objective/Learning Target: Students will able to identify and graph the conic ellipses



Warm Up Activity:

Click the link below. Move the 3 labeled points around and come up with at least 3 conclusions about what is happening.

[Interactive Ellipse](#)

Lesson:

Watch the video over ellipses. We encourage you to have your own sheet of paper out and work along with the video.

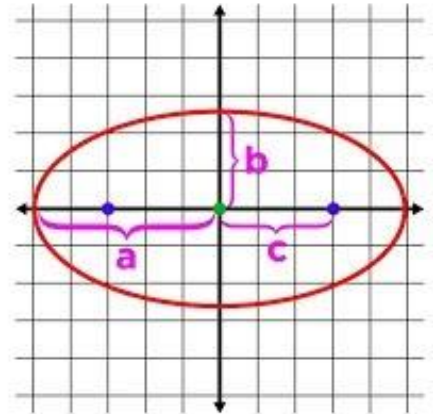
Graphing Ellipses in Standard Form

standard form of an ellipse:

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$c^2 = a^2 - b^2$$

c is the distance from the **center** to either **focus**





Practice:

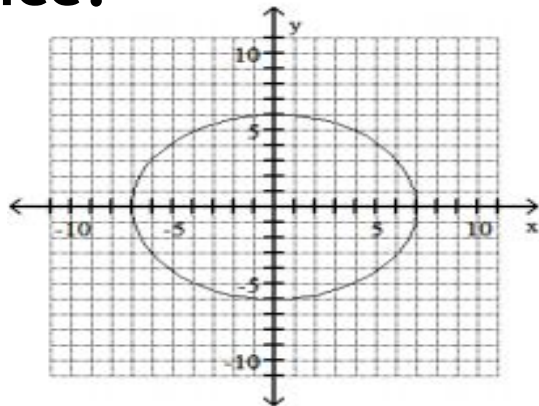
Work through the practice problems at both links

[Properties from equation](#)

[Graph from equation](#)

Additional Practice:

1) Match the function and its foci to the graph.



A) $\frac{x^2}{49} + \frac{y^2}{36} = 1$

foci at $(-\sqrt{13}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{13}, 0)$

C) $\frac{x^2}{36} + \frac{y^2}{49} = 1$

foci at $(-\sqrt{13}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{13}, 0)$

B) $\frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{y^2}{36} = 1$

foci at $(-\sqrt{13}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{13}, 0)$

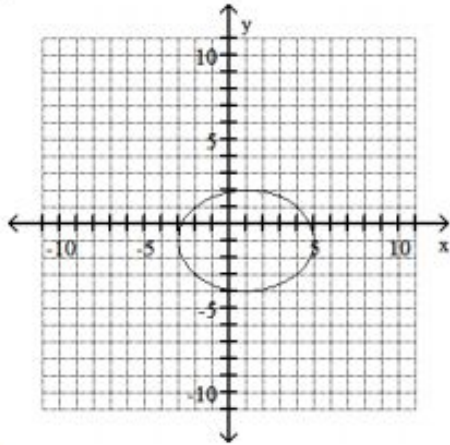
D) $\frac{x^2}{49} + \frac{y^2}{36} = 1$

foci at $(-7, 0)$ and $(7, 0)$

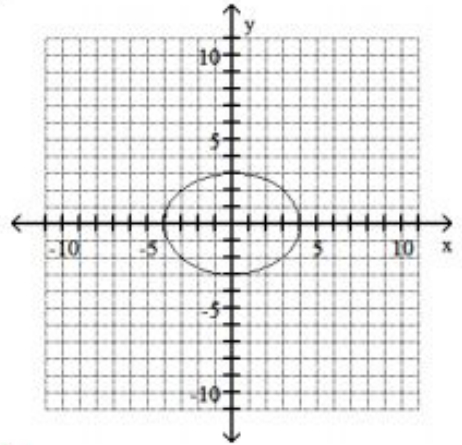
Additional Practice:
 2) Map the equation of ellipse to the correct graph.

$$\frac{(x - 1)^2}{16} + \frac{(y + 1)^2}{9} = 1$$

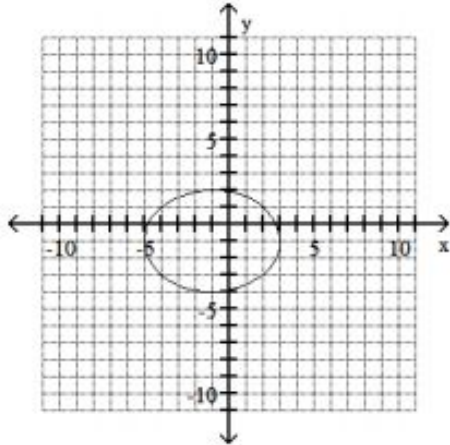
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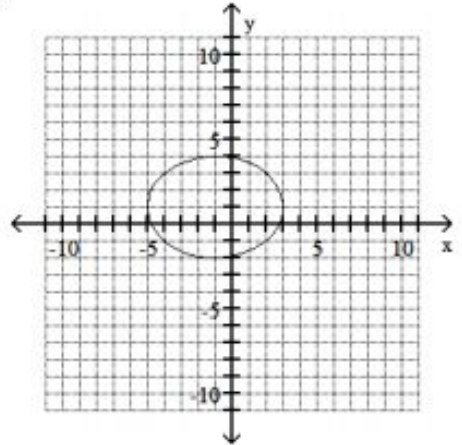
B)



C)



D)



Additional Practice:

3) Convert the equation to the standard form of an ellipse by completing the square.

$$36x^2 + 16y^2 + 72x + 96y - 396 = 0$$

A) $\frac{(x - 1)^2}{16} + \frac{(y - 3)^2}{36} = 1$

B) $\frac{(x + 1)^2}{16} + \frac{(y + 3)^2}{36} = 1$

C) $\frac{(x + 3)^2}{16} + \frac{(y + 1)^2}{36} = 1$

D) $\frac{(x + 1)^2}{36} + \frac{(y + 3)^2}{16} = 1$



Additional Practice Answers:

1) A

2) A

3) B