## Unit 7 Lesson 2: When and Why Do We Write Quadratic Equations?

### 1 How Many Tickets? (Warm up)

#### Student Task Statement

The expression represents the cost to purchase tickets for a play, where is the number of tickets. Be prepared to explain your response to each question.

1. A family paid $62.50 for tickets. How many tickets were bought?
2. A teacher paid $278.50 for tickets for her students. How many tickets were bought?

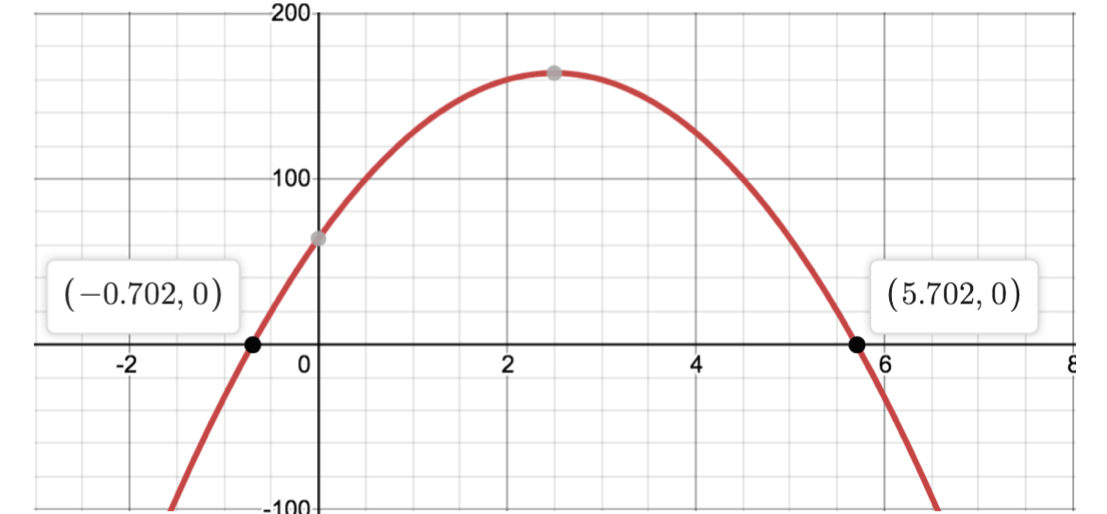
### 2 The Flying Potato Again

#### Student Task Statement

The other day, you saw an equation that defines the height of a potato as a function of time after it was launched from a mechanical device. Here is a different function modeling the height of a potato, in feet, seconds after being fired from a different device:

1. What equation would we solve to find the time at which the potato hits the ground?
2. Use any method *except graphing* to find a solution to this equation.

#### Activity Synthesis



### 3 Revenue from Ticket Sales

#### Student Task Statement

The expressions and define the same function. The function models the revenue a school would earn from selling raffle tickets at dollars each.

1. At what price or prices would the school collect $0 revenue from raffle sales? Explain or show your reasoning.
2. The school staff noticed that there are two ticket prices that would both result in a revenue of $500. How would you find out what those two prices are?



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