

## Lesson 2.2 – Modeling &amp; Optimization with Quadratic Functions

1. **Physics** - The path of a diver is given by

$$y = -\frac{4}{9}x^2 + \frac{24}{9}x + 12$$

Where  $y$  is the height (in feet) and  $x$  is the horizontal distance from the end of the diving board (in feet). What is the maximum height of the diver?

2. **Economics** – A textile manufacturer has daily production costs of  $C = 100,000 - 110x + 0.045x^2$  where  $C$  is the total cost (in dollars) and  $x$  is the number of units produces. How many units should be produced each day to yield a minimum cost?

3. **Finance** – The profit  $P$  (in hundreds of dollars) that a company makes depends on the amount  $x$  (in hundreds of dollars) the company spends on advertising according to the model:

$$P = 230 + 20x - 0.5x^2$$

- a. What expenditure for advertising will yield a maximum profit?

- b. What is the maximum profit?

4. **Sports** – A football kicker kicks a football a total distance of 150 feet. The ball reached a maximum height of 80 feet. Write an equation that models the height  $y$  to the distance  $x$ . (Assume that the motion of a projectile is quadratic).

5. **Forensics** – CSI detectives drop mannequins from a building to help them decide if a victim fell off a building or was pushed off of a building. A mannequin was lightly pushed out of an office 450 feet above ground level and landed 15 feet from base of the building. (Assume that the motion of a projectile is quadratic). Write an equation that models height  $y$  to the distance the mannequin travels  $x$ .

6. **Geometry** - The area of the shaded part is  $112 \text{ cm}^2$ . Solve for the value of  $x$ .

