



## Vocabulary: Zap It! Game



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- Parabola – the graph of a quadratic function.
- Quadratic function – a function in which  $y$  depends on the square of  $x$ .
  - Graphs of quadratic functions are *parabolic*.
  - The polynomial form of a quadratic function is  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ .
    - In polynomial form, the function graphed above is  $y = x^2 - 4x + 1$ .
  - The vertex form of a quadratic function with a vertex at  $(h, k)$  is  $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$ .
    - In vertex form, the function graphed above is  $y = (x - 2)^2 - 3$ , with its vertex at  $(2, -3)$ .

