

Ellipses – Writing Equations WS

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Key

Write each equation in standard form. Graph each ellipse. Find the center, vertices, co-vertices, foci, and lengths of the major and minor axes for each ellipse whose equation is given.

1. $x^2 + 4y^2 + 2x - 24y + 33 = 0$

$$C \underline{(-1, 3)}$$

$$V \underline{(1, 3)} \quad \underline{(-3, 3)}$$

$$CV \underline{(-1, 2)} \quad \underline{(-1, 4)}$$

$$F \underline{(-1 \pm \sqrt{3}, 3)}$$

$$\text{major length} = \underline{4}$$

$$\text{minor length} = \underline{2}$$

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

$$c^2 = 4 - 1$$

$$c^2 = 3 \quad c = \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 4y^2 - 24y = -33$$

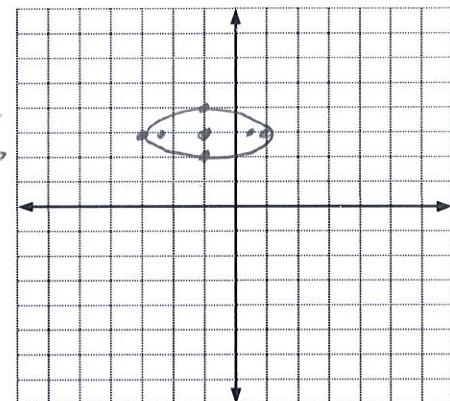
$$(x^2 + 2x + 1) + 4(y^2 - 6y + 9) = -33 + 1 + 36$$

$$\frac{(x+1)^2}{4} + \frac{4(y-3)^2}{4} = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x+1)^2}{4} + \frac{(y-3)^2}{1} = 1}$$

Horizontal Ellipse

$$a=2 \quad b=1$$



2. $4x^2 + 9y^2 + 24x - 90y = -225$

$$C \underline{(-3, 5)}$$

$$V \underline{(0, 5)} \quad \underline{(-6, 5)}$$

$$CV \underline{(-3, 3)} \quad \underline{(-3, 7)}$$

$$F \underline{(-3 \pm \sqrt{5}, 5)}$$

$$\text{major length} = \underline{6}$$

$$\text{minor length} = \underline{4}$$

$$c^2 = 9 - 4$$

$$c^2 = 5$$

$$c = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$4x^2 + 24x + 9y^2 - 90y = -225$$

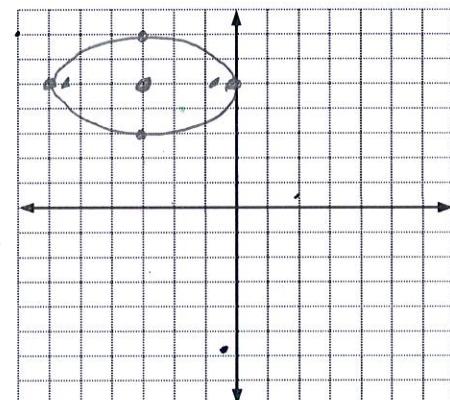
$$4(x^2 + 6x + 9) + 9(y^2 - 10y + 25) = -225 + 36 + 225$$

$$\frac{4(x+3)^2}{36} + \frac{9(y-5)^2}{36} = \frac{36}{36}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x+3)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-5)^2}{4} = 1}$$

Horizontal Ellipse

$$a=3 \quad b=2$$



3. $25x^2 + 4y^2 - 200x - 8y + 304 = 0$

$$C \underline{(4, 1)}$$

$$V \underline{(4, 6)} \quad \underline{(4, -4)}$$

$$CV \underline{(2, 1)} \quad \underline{(6, 1)}$$

$$F \underline{(4, 1 \pm \sqrt{21})}$$

$$\text{major length} = \underline{10}$$

$$\text{minor length} = \underline{4}$$

$$c^2 = 25 - 4$$

$$c^2 = 21$$

$$c = \pm \sqrt{21}$$

$$25x^2 - 200x + 4y^2 - 8y = -304$$

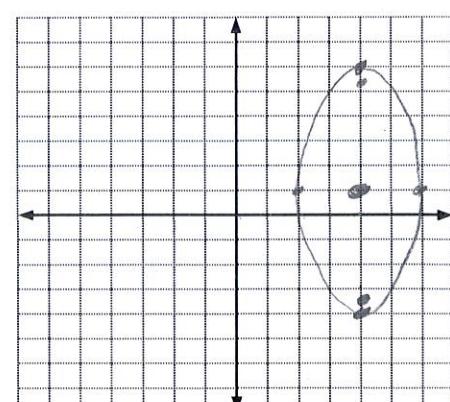
$$25(x^2 - 8x + 16) + 4(y^2 - 2y + 1) = -304 + 400 + 4$$

$$\frac{25(x-4)^2}{100} + \frac{4(y-1)^2}{100} = \frac{100}{100}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x-4)^2}{25} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{25} = 1}$$

Vertical Ellipse

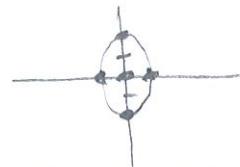
$$a=5 \quad b=2$$



Write the standard form equation of each ellipse.

4. Write the equation of the ellipse at center $(0, 0)$ with vertex $(0, 2)$ and co-vertex $(-1, 0)$.

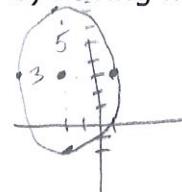
$$\boxed{\frac{x^2}{1} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1}$$



5. Write the equation of the vertical ellipse at center $(-2, 3)$ having major axis of length 10 and minor axis of length 6.

$$b=3$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x+2)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-3)^2}{25} = 1}$$

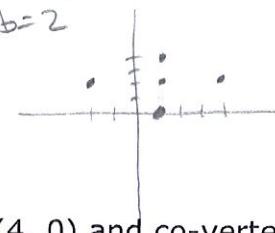


6. Find an equation of the ellipse with vertices at $(-2, 2)$ and $(4, 2)$, and co-vertices at $(1, 4)$ and $(1, 0)$.

Center $(1, 2)$

$$a=3 \quad b=2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x-1)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-2)^2}{4} = 1}$$

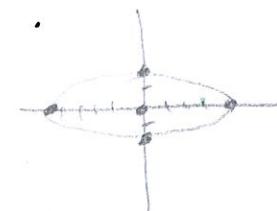


7. Write the equation of the ellipse at center $(0, 0)$ with vertex $(4, 0)$ and co-vertex $(0, -2)$.

$$\boxed{\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1}$$

$$a=4$$

$$b=2$$



8. Write the equation of the vertical ellipse at center $(4, -1)$ having minor axis of length 8 and major axis of length 14.

$$\boxed{\frac{(x-4)^2}{16} + \frac{(y+1)^2}{49} = 1}$$

$$a=7 \quad b=8$$



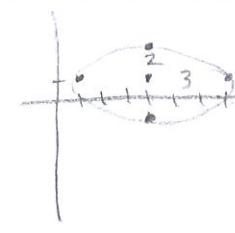
9. Find an equation of the ellipse with vertices at $(1, 1)$ and $(7, 1)$, and co-vertices at $(4, -1)$ and $(4, 3)$.

Center $(4, 1)$

$$a=3$$

$$b=2$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x-4)^2}{9} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{4} = 1}$$



10. Write the equation of an ellipse with V $(-3, -4)$ and CV $(-7, 1)$.

Center $(-3, 1)$

$$a=5$$

$$b=4$$

$$\boxed{\frac{(x+3)^2}{16} + \frac{(y-1)^2}{25} = 1}$$

