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Math Mini Quiz 7

This Mini Quiz, we're going to explore the math concepts that you've learned so far in this unit. This assignment should take you about **25 minutes**.

1) Below are two different quadratic equations. Solve for x. You may choose the method you'd like to solve it. As a reminder, the quadratic formula can be found to the right.

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

a) $7 = x^2 - 13x + 17$

b) $0 = x^2 - 3x + 7$

(yes, there's a back, don't forget it)

**note that actually the train would slow down as it approaches, but we are simplifying this problem*

2) In 2002, Lisa Leslie became the first woman in the WNBA to dunk¹ during a game. Let's think about the mechanics of this historic dunk. Let's assume Leslie's 2m tall. Let's call the acceleration of gravity (g) to be 10. We therefore get the *height of the top of her head* during her jump as a function of time to be:

$$y(t) = -5t^2 + v_0 t + 2$$

Where y is the height of the top of her head in meters and t is the time after the start of her jump in seconds. Next let's assume in order to dunk, the top of her head had to reach the bottom of the net, which stands 2.5 meters above the ground².



a) Assume she had been in the air 0.5 seconds when she made the dunk³. What was her initial vertical velocity, v_0 ? Write the equation for $y(t)$.

b) At what time does she hit the ground again?

c) Lisa actually hits the 2.5m mark twice on her trajectory. Once on the way up and once on the way down. We talked about how one of these times is at 0.5 seconds. When does the other occur? Did she dunk on the way up or on the way down?

¹ Image and information from <https://www.swishappeal.com/2015/9/11/9313199/lisa-leslie-dunk-hall-of-fame>

² Estimated from this information: <https://www.dimensions.com/element/basketball-rims-nets>

³ Based roughly on this calculator: <https://www.thehoopsgeek.com/dunk-calculator/>