## **AREA UNDER GRAPHS**

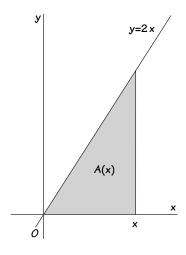
## STUDENT RESOURCE

## Linear functions

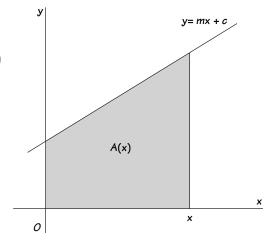
• Draw a sketch of the graph of y = 2x.

What is the shaded area when x = 1? When x = 2? When x = 3?

Write down a formula for the shaded area A(x).



- Do the same for y = 5x and y = 10x.
- Write down a formula for the area A(x) when y = mx.
- Now try to find a formula for the area A(x) when y = mx + c.



## Quadratic functions

Now we are going to look at the same function A(x) for graphs of quadratic functions.

• Sketch  $y = 3x^2$ .

Find approximate values for A(1), A(2), A(3) ... using the trapezium rule. Can you predict a formula for the area A(x)?

- Do the same for  $y = x^2$ .
- Now try to find a formula for the area A(x) for other quadratic functions such as  $y = 3x^2 + 2$  or  $y = 3x^2 + 4x$ .