

- For example, the statement:

Make **conjectures** about what happens when you consider the squares of integers modulo 3 and then prove that you are correct.

4. Make a conjecture about when the sum of two integers can be congruent to 0 modulo 3 and prove that you are correct. Your proposition will look something like the one below:

Proposition: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a + b \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, then [*something here about the nature of a and b modulo 3*].

5. Describe the set of points in the xy -plane that satisfy $x^2 + y^2 - 3 = 0$.

6. Prove that $x^2 + y^2 - 3 = 0$ contains no rational points. (That is, for every $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$, $x^2 + y^2 - 3 \neq 0$. Also, the previous propositions should help and please pause to think at least momentarily about how interesting this result is.)