

3. Given the function  $p(k) = 2k^2 + 3k$ ,  
the average rate of change from  $k = -2$  to  $k = 5$  is:

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-9

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### Solution

Using the average rate of change formula:

$$\text{The average rate of change} = \frac{p(5) - p(-2)}{5 - (-2)}$$

$$= \frac{(2(5)^2 + 3(5)) - (2(-2)^2 + 3(-2))}{7}$$

$$= \frac{65 - 2}{7}$$

$$= 9$$