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1. There are 3 sides to fence, two sides with length  $b$  and one side with length  $a$ :

$$a+b+b=1782 \Rightarrow a=1782-2b$$

Now solve for the area:

$$\text{area}=a \times b = (1782-2b)b = 1782b - 2b^2$$

Notice the Parabolic equation, solve for the vertex:

$$\text{vertex} = \left( \frac{891}{2} \text{ feet}, \frac{793881}{2} \text{ feet}^2 \right)$$

**Square** the unit for vertex's vertical coordinate since it is a quadratic.