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## Solution

To find the vertex, we look at the coefficients in the function  $f(u) = au^2 + bu + c$  in this equation,  $a = 1$  and  $b = 9$

The first coordinate of the vertex has the formula:  $\frac{-b}{2a}$  now, plugging into formula to get:

$$\frac{-b}{2a} = -\frac{9}{2(1)} = -\frac{9}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The second coordinate of the vertex is } f\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) &= 1\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 + 9\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) - 5 \\ &= -\frac{101}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the vertex of the graph of  $f$  is  $\left(-\frac{9}{2}, -\frac{101}{4}\right)$