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Solution

To find the p-intercept, we set m equal to 0, so :

$$m(p) = p^2 - 9 = (-3 + p)(3 + p) = 0$$

$$-3 + p = 0 \text{ or } 3 + p = 0$$

$$p = 3 \text{ or } p = -3$$

So, the p-intercepts are at the points $(3, 0)$ and $(-3, 0)$