## **EQUATIONS OF CIRCLES**

The standard equation for a circle with its center at (h, k) and a radius of r is  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$ .

$$(h, k)$$

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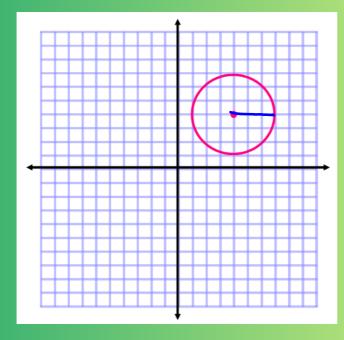
## Example 1

Write an equation for a circle with...

- a) center (-3,6) and a radius of 2 units  $(x-1-3)^2 + (y-6)^2 = 4$
- b) center (4,-1) and a radius of 5 units  $(x-4)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 2.5$
- c) center (-2, -8) and a diameter of 18 units  $(\times +2)^2 + (y+8)^2 = 8i$

## Example 2

Give the coordinates of the center and the length of the radius. Then write an equation for the circle.

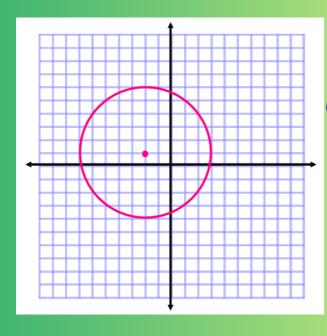


Center (4,4)  

$$r = 3$$
  
 $(x-4)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 9$ 

## Example 3

Give the coordinates of the center and the length of the radius. Then write an equation for the circle.



center 
$$(-2,1)$$
  
 $r = 5$   
 $(x+2)^2 + (y-1)^2 = 25$ 

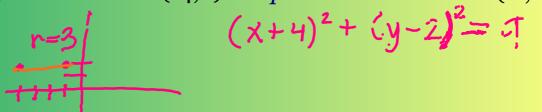
#### Example 4

Use the given information to write the standard equation of the circle.

a) The center is (0,0) & a point on the circle is (0,7).



b) The center is (-4,2) & a point on the circle is (-1,2).



## Example 5

Use the given information to write the standard equation of the circle.

a) The center is 
$$(7,3)$$
 & a point on the circle is  $(7,-1)$ .

$$(x-7)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 16$$

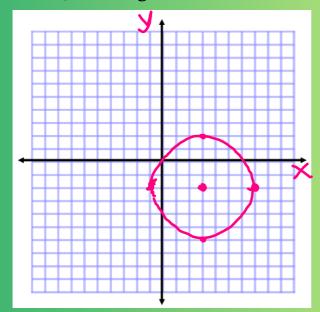
b) The center is 
$$(-5,-1)$$
 & a point on the circle is  $(-5,-6)$ .

$$(x+5)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 25$$

## Example 6

Give the center and radius of the circle. Then graph.

$$(x-3)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 16$$
  $h=3$   $k=-2$ 



center 
$$(3, -2)$$
  
 $r = 4$ 

# Example 7

Give the center and radius of the circle. Then graph.

$$(x+4)^2 + (y-1)^2 = 49$$
 Center (-4,1)

