

## 20.7 Mathematical Model with Quadratic Equations

### ❖ Solve Applications Involving Parabolas

**Ex.** A ball is drop-kicked straight up with an initial velocity of 36 feet per second. The equation  $h = -16t^2 + 36t$  describes the height,  $h$ , of the ball in feet  $t$  seconds after being kicked.

(a) After how many seconds does the ball reach its **maximum height**?

(b) What is the **maximum height** the ball reaches?

**Ex. (#7)** A farmer decides to enclose a rectangular garden, using the side of a barn as one side of the rectangle. What is the **maximum area** that the farmer can enclose with 40 ft of fence? What should the dimensions of the garden be in order to yield this area?

**Ex. (#16)** What is the **minimum product** of two numbers whose difference is 18? What are the numbers?