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1. Step 1 Use the three x -intercepts to write the function in factored form.

$$f(x) = a(x + 1)(x - 1)(x - 2)$$

Step 2 Find the value of a by substituting the coordinates of the point $(0, 2)$.

$$2 = a(0 + 1)(0 - 1)(0 - 2)$$

$$2 = 2a$$

$$1 = a$$

The function is $f(x) = (x + 1)(x - 1)(x - 2)$.

2. Step 1 Use the three x -intercepts to write the function in factored form.

$$f(x) = a(x + 3)(x + 1)(x - 2)$$

Step 2 Find the value of a by substituting the coordinates of the point $(-2, 4)$.

$$4 = a(-2 + 3)(-2 + 1)(-2 - 2)$$

$$4 = 4a$$

$$1 = a$$

The function is $f(x) = (x + 3)(x + 1)(x - 2)$.

3. Step 1 Use the three x -intercepts to write the function in factored form.

$$f(x) = a(x + 5)(x - 1)(x - 4)$$

Step 2 Find the value of a by substituting the coordinates of the point $(2, -2)$.

$$-2 = a(2 + 5)(2 - 1)(2 - 4)$$

$$-2 = -14a$$

$$\frac{1}{7} = a$$

The function is $f(x) = \frac{1}{7}(x + 5)(x - 1)(x - 4)$.

4. Step 1 Use the three x -intercepts to write the function in factored form.

$$f(x) = a(x + 6)(x + 3)(x - 3)$$

Step 2 Find the value of a by substituting the coordinates of the point $(0, -9)$.

$$-9 = a(0 + 6)(0 + 3)(0 - 3)$$

$$-9 = -54a$$

$$\frac{1}{6} = a$$

The function is $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}(x + 6)(x + 3)(x - 3)$.

5. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(-6)$	$f(-3)$	$f(0)$	$f(3)$	$f(6)$	$f(9)$
-2	15	-4	49	282	803
\	/	\	/	\	/
17	-19	53	233	521	
\	/	\	/	\	/
-36	72	180	288		
\	/	\	/		
108	108	108			

Because the third differences are nonzero and constant, you can model the data exactly with a cubic function.

Step 2 Use *cubic regression* to obtain a cubic model.

Because $\frac{2}{3} \approx 0.666667$ and $\frac{1}{3} \approx 0.333333$, a polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3}x^3 + 4x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x - 4.$$

6. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(-1)$	$f(0)$	$f(1)$	$f(2)$	$f(3)$	$f(4)$
-14	-5	-2	7	34	91
9	3	9	27	57	
	-6	6	18	30	
		12	12	12	

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Step 2 Use *cubic regression* to obtain a cubic model.

A polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 5.$$

7. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(-4)$	$f(-3)$	$f(-2)$	$f(-1)$	$f(0)$	$f(1)$	$f(2)$	$f(3)$	$f(4)$
-317	-37	21	7	-1	3	-47	-289	-933
280	58	-14	-8	4	-50	-242	-644	
-222	-72	6	12	-54	-192	-402		
150	78	6	-66	-138	-210			
-72	-72	-72	-72	-72				

Because the fourth differences are nonzero and constant, you can model the data exactly with a quartic function.

Step 2 Use *quartic regression* to obtain a quartic model.

A polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = -3x^4 - 5x^3 + 9x^2 + 3x - 1.$$

8. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(-6)$	$f(-4)$	$f(-2)$	$f(0)$	$f(2)$	$f(4)$	$f(6)$	$f(8)$	$f(10)$
744	154	4	-6	16	154	684	2074	4984
\	/	\	/	\	/	\	/	\
-590	-150	-10	22	138	530	1390	2910	
\	/	\	/	\	/	\	/	\
440	140	32	116	392	860	1520		
\	/	\	/	\	/	\	/	\
-300	-108	84	276	468	660			
\	/	\	/	\	/	\	/	\
192	192	192	192	192				

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Step 2 Use *quartic regression* to obtain a quartic model.

A polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{1}{4}x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x - 6.$$

9. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(-2)$	$f(-1)$	$f(0)$	$f(1)$	$f(2)$	$f(3)$	$f(4)$	$f(5)$	$f(6)$
968	422	142	26	-4	-2	2	2	16
\	-546	\	-280	\	-116	\	-30	\
266	\	164	\	86	\	32	\	2
-102	\	-78	\	-54	\	-30	\	-6
24	\	24	\	24	\	24	\	24

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Step 2 Use *quartic regression* to obtain a quartic model.

A polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = x^4 - 15x^3 + 81x^2 - 183x + 142.$$

10. Step 1 Write the function values. Find the first differences by subtracting consecutive values. Then find the second differences by subtracting the consecutive first differences. Continue until you obtain differences that are nonzero and constant.

$f(1)$	$f(2)$	$f(3)$	$f(4)$	$f(5)$	$f(6)$	$f(7)$	$f(8)$	$f(9)$
0	6	2	6	12	-10	-114	-378	-904
	6	-4	4	6	-22	-104	-264	-526
		-10	8	2	-28	-82	-160	-262
			18	-6	-30	-54	-78	-102
				-24	-24	-24	-24	-24

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Step 2 Use *quartic regression* to obtain a quartic model.

A polynomial function that fits the data exactly is

$$f(x) = -x^4 + 13x^3 - 58x^2 + 104x - 58.$$