

Factoring and Solving Quadratic Equations Worksheet

Math Tutorial Lab Special Topic*

Example Problems

Factor completely.

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| 1. $3x + 36$ | 9. $2x^3 - 16x^2 - 18x$ |
| 2. $4x^2 + 16x$ | 10. $4x^2 + 17x - 15$ |
| 3. $x^2 - 14x - 40$ | 11. $-8x^2 - 15x + 2$ |
| 4. $x^2 + 4x - 12$ | 12. $x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 15$ |
| 5. $x^2 - 144$ | 13. $5rs + 25r - 3s - 15$ |
| 6. $x^4 - 16$ | 14. $125x^3 - 64$ |
| 7. $81x^2 - 49$ | 15. $2x^3 + 128y^3$ |
| 8. $50x^2 - 72$ | |

Solve the following equations.

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| 16. $(x - 4)^2 - 9 = 0$ | 21. $6x^2 - 48x - 54 = 0$ |
| 17. $(x - 10)^2 - 48 = 0$ | 22. $4x^2 + 2x = 12$ |
| 18. $x^2 + 14x + 45 = 0$ | 23. $9x^2 + 7x - 4 = 0$ |
| 19. $x^2 + 6x - 10 = 30$ | 24. $3x^2 + 9x - 6 = 0$ |
| 20. $4x^2 - 100 = 0$ | 25. $x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + 20 = 0$ |

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Answers

1. $3(x + 12)$
2. $4x(x + 4)$
3. $(x - 10)(x - 4)$
4. $(x + 6)(x - 2)$
5. $(x + 12)(x - 12)$
6. $(x^2 + 4)(x + 2)(x - 2)$
7. $(9x + 7)(9x - 7)$
8. $2(5x + 6)(5x - 6)$
9. $2x(x - 9)(x + 1)$
10. $(4x - 3)(x + 5)$
11. $(-8x + 1)(x + 2)$
12. $(x^2 + 5)(x - 3)$
13. $(5r - 3)(s + 5)$
14. $(5x - 4)(25x^2 + 20x + 16)$
15. $(x + 4y)(x^2 - 4xy + 16y^2)$
16. $x = 7$ and $x = 1$
17. $x = 10 \pm 4\sqrt{3}$
18. $x = -5$ and $x = -9$
19. $x = 4$ and $x = -10$
20. $x = 5$ and $x = -5$
21. $x = 9$ and $x = -1$
22. $x = -2$ and $x = \frac{3}{2}$
23. $x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{193}}{18}$
24. $x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$
25. $x = 2$, $x = -2$, and $x = 5$