

SOL Review Topic 1: Factoring and Solving Quadratics**7 Factoring Rules****Rule #1 - GCF**

$$1) 3a^2bc^5 - 9a^3bc^6 + 12a^2b^3c^6$$

$$3a^2bc^5(1 - 3ac + 4b^2c)$$

Rule #2 - Difference of Perfect Squares

$$2) 9x^2 - 49y^2$$

$$(3x + 7y)(3x - 7y)$$

$$3) 100x^2 - 100$$

$$100(x^2 - 1)$$

$$= 100(x+1)(x-1)$$

Rule #3 - Trinomial with 1 as a Leading Coefficient

$$4) a^2 + a - 20$$

$$(a+5)(a-4)$$

$$5) 3x^2 - 18x + 24$$

$$3(x^2 - 6x + 8)$$

$$= 3(x-4)(x-2)$$

Rule #4 - Sum/Difference of Perfect Cubes

$$6) x^3 - 125y^3$$

$$(x - 5y)(x^2 + 5xy + 25y^2)$$

$$7) 64a^3 + 8y^3 = 8(8a^3 + y^3)$$

$$= 8(2a+y)(4a^2 - 2ay + y^2)$$

Rule #5 - Perfect Square Trinomials

$$8) 9x^2 + 30x + 25$$

$$(3x+5)(3x+5) = (3x+5)^2$$

$$9) 36y^2 - 84y + 49$$

$$(6y-7)(6y-7) = (6y-7)^2$$

Rule #6 - Factoring by Grouping

$$10) (a^2x - b^2x) + a^2y - b^2y$$

$$= x(a^2 - b^2) + y(a^2 - b^2)$$

$$= (a^2 - b^2)(x+y)$$

$$= (a+b)(a-b)(x+y)$$

*#11 is a change from original packet

$$11) (4x^3 + 4x^2) - 6x - 6$$

$$4x^2(x+1) - 6(x+1)$$

$$= (x+1)(4x^2 - 6)$$

$$= (x+1) \cdot 2(2x^2 - 3)$$

Rule #7 - Trinomial with Leading Coefficient > 1

$$12) 3y^2 + 5y + 2$$

*Guess & Check
or Multiply
1st & Last Coeff.
& break up middle
term so it's like
Rule #6 above*

$$(3y + 2)(y + 1)$$

$$13) 6x^2 - 5x - 6$$

$$(3x + 2)(2x - 3)$$

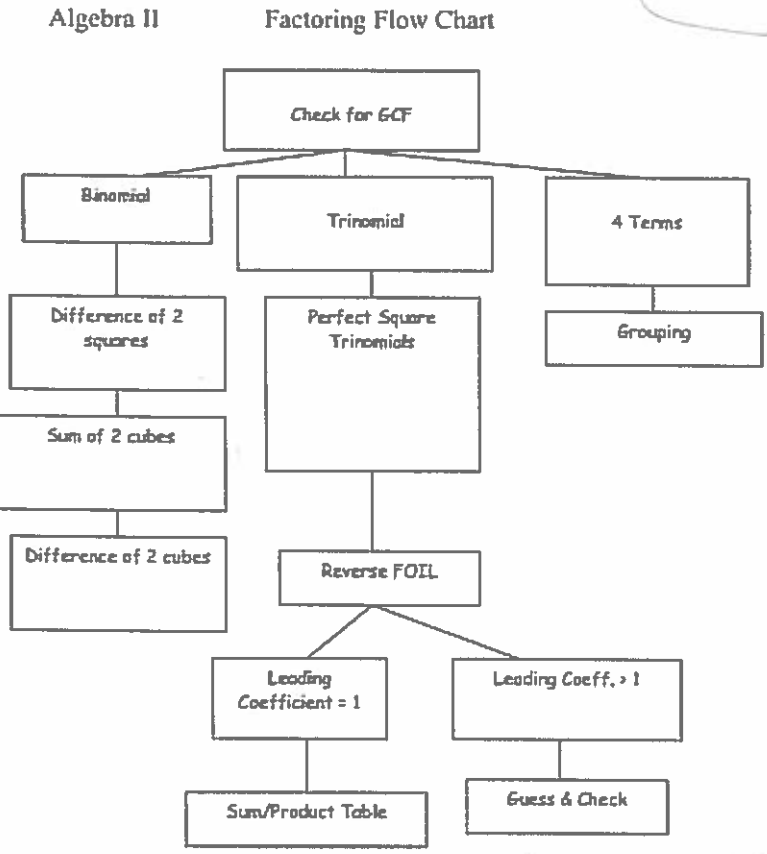
ALWAYS distribute
your answer back to 1
check your factoring

What if it can't be factored?

14) $x^2 + 25y^2$ - CAN NEVER factor sum of 2 perfect squares
 (unless you found a GCF)
 ⇒ PRIME

Factoring Review

How do I know which factoring rule to use?



Factoring Mixed Practice

15) $(2x^2 + 8x) + 3x + 12$
 $= 2x(x+4) + 3(x+4)$
 $= (x+4)(2x+3)$

16) $2x^2 - 7x - 15$
 $= (2x + 3)(x - 5)$

17) $27x^3 + 8$
 $(3x + 2)(9x^2 - 6x + 4)$

18) $3x^2 - 5x - 2$ product = 6, sum = -5
 $= (3x + 1)(x - 2)$

Alternate Way
 $3x^2 - 6x + 1x - 2$
 $= 3x(x-2) + 1(x-2)$
 $= (x-2)(3x+1)$

Solving Quadratics

What are the different ways to solve quadratics?

#1 - Solve by Factoring

19) $w^2 - 8w - 9 = 0$

$(w - 9)(w + 1) = 0$

$w - 9 = 0$ or $w + 1 = 0$

$w = 9$ or $w = -1$

$\{-1, 9\}$

20) $25p^2 - 36 = 0$

$(5p + 6)(5p - 6) = 0$

$5p + 6 = 0$ or $5p - 6 = 0$

$5p = -6$ $5p = 6$

$p = -6/5$ or $p = 6/5$

21) $3x^2 = 16x - 5$

$3x^2 - 16x + 5 = 0$

$(3x - 1)(x - 5) = 0$

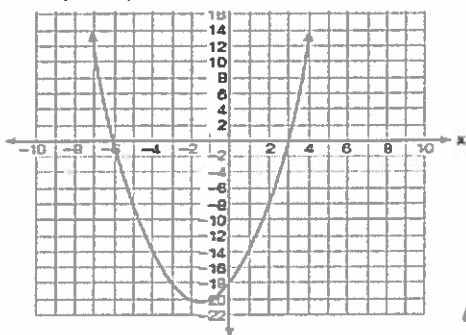
$3x - 1 = 0$ or $x - 5 = 0$

$3x = 1$

$x = 1/3$ or $x = 5$

#2 - Solve by Graphing

22)



Where does graph cross x-axis?
 $\Rightarrow y = 0 \Rightarrow$ zeros, roots, x-int.

If necessary, use 2nd-Calc-zero on calculator

$x = 3$ $x = -6$

#3 - Solve by Completing the Square

23) $p^2 - 12p + 36 = 0$

already a complete square

$(p - 6)^2 = 0$

$p - 6 = 0$

$p = 6$

take square root of both sides

#4 - Solve by the Quadratic Formula $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

24) $x^2 - 6x + 21 = 0$

$a = 1$
 $b = -6$
 $c = 21$

$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(1)(21)}}{2(1)}$

$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 84}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{-48}}{2}$

$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 3}}{2}$ $x = \frac{6 \pm 4i\sqrt{3}}{2} = \boxed{3 \pm 2i\sqrt{3}}$

25) $x + 2x^2 + 1 = -1 - x$

$2x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$

$2(x^2 + x + 1) = 0$

$x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

$a = 1$
 $b = 1$
 $c = 1$

$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4}}{2}$ 3

$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2} = \boxed{\frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}}$

To check your answer -
use graphing calculator - make sure your answers
are the x-intercepts

How do I know which way to solve?

Try to solve by factoring first, if you can't solve by factoring use the quadratic formula or solve by completing the square.

Solving Quadratics Mixed Practice

26) $x^2 + 4x = 3$ Completing Square

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 3 + 4$$

$$(x+2)^2 = 7$$

$$x+2 = \pm \sqrt{7}$$

$$x = -2 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

28) $x^2 = 5x$ Do NOT divide by x !

$$x^2 - 5x = 0$$

$$x(x-5) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x - 5 = 0$$

$$x = 5$$

30) $3x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$

$$(3x+1)(x-2) = 0$$

$$3x+1=0 \text{ or } x-2=0$$

$$3x = -1$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } x = 2$$

27) $2x^2 + 5x = 3$

$$2x^2 + 5x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2x-1)(x+3) = 0$$

$$2x-1=0 \text{ or } x+3=0$$

$$2x=1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = -3$$

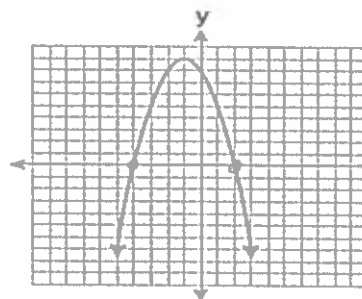
29) $x^2 + 3x - 40 = 0$

$$(x+8)(x-5) = 0$$

$$x+8=0 \text{ or } x-5=0$$

$$x = -8 \text{ or } x = 5$$

31)



$$x = -4 \text{ or } x = 2$$

Describe the Nature of the Roots of a Quadratic

- A) 2 Real Rational Roots
- B) 1 Real Double Root
- C) 2 Real Irrational Roots
- D) 2 Imaginary Roots

What are the nature of the roots of the following quadratics with roots?

32) $\{\pm \frac{1}{3}\}$

A
(2 Real Rat'l)

33) $\{\pm \frac{1}{3}i\}$

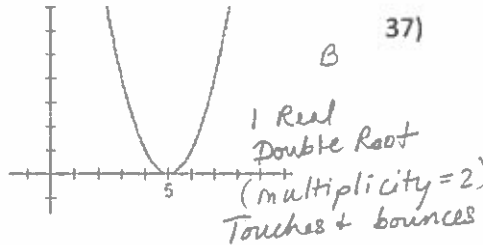
D
(2 imaginary
which are
conjugates)

34) $\{0, -5\}$ A

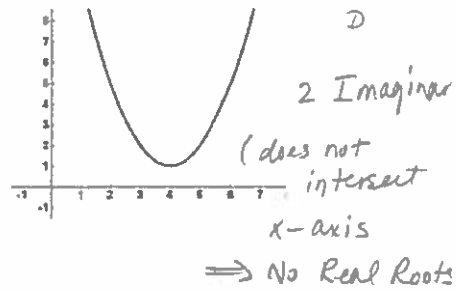
2 Real Rat'l

35) $\{2 \pm \sqrt{5}\}$ C
(2 Real Irrational)

36)



37)

**EXTRA NOTES AND EXAMPLES:****Factoring Examples:****Rule 2 Difference of Perfect Squares**

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

$$81a^2 - 64x^4 = (9a + 8x^2)(9a - 8x^2)$$

Rule 3 Trinomial w/Leading Coeff.=1

$$x^2 - 4x - 32 = (x-8)(x+4)$$

Rule 4 Sum/Difference of Perfect Cubes

$$(a^3 + b^3) = (a+b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

or

$$(a^3 - b^3) = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

Rule 5 Perfect Square Trinomials

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = (a+b)^2$$

$$a^2 - 2ab + b^2 = (a-b)^2$$

$$9a^2 - 30ab + 25b^2 = (3a - 5b)^2$$

Quadratic Example:

To solve a quadratic equation you may be asked to find the **solutions, zeros, or roots**. These answers will also be found on a graph (called a parabola) as **x-intercepts**.

Note: A quadratic equation can have **two solutions, one solution** (a double root-touches the x-axis and turns around) **or no real solutions** (graph does not cross the x-axis).

Solving by Factoring:

- 1) Get the equation equal to zero. Move everything to left side.
- 2) Factor the left side using an appropriate technique we have learned.
- 3) Set each factor = 0 and solve.

EX) Solve for x: $6x^2 - x - 1 = 0$
 $(2x-1)(3x+1) = 0$
 $(2x-1) = 0$ $(3x+1) = 0$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}$ $x = -\frac{1}{3}$

MORE PRACTICE A:

*Stuck on MC?
FOIL out to match*

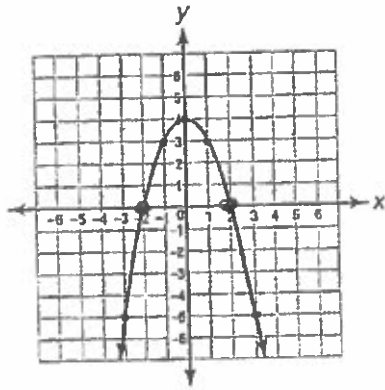
1. Factor completely: $25x^2 - 4$
 A. $(5x - 2)^2$
 B. $(5x + 2)^2$
 C. $(5x + 2)(5x - 2)$
 D. $(25x + 2)(x - 2)$
(5x+2)(5x-2)
2. Factor completely: $9x^2 + 24x + 16$
 A. $(3x + 4)^2$
 B. $(3x - 4)^2$
 C. $(3x + 4)(3x - 4)$
 D. $3(x + 2)(x - 2)$
(3x+4)(3x+4)
3. Factor completely: $27y^3 - 1$
 A. $(3y + 1)(3y^2 - 3y + 1)$
 B. $(3y + 1)(9y^2 - 3y + 1)$
 C. $(3y - 1)(3y^2 + 3y - 1)$
 D. $(3y - 1)(9y^2 + 3y + 1)$
(3y-1)(9y^2+3y+1)
4. Factor completely: $125x^3 + 64$
 A. $(5x + 4)^3$
 B. $(5x + 4)(5x^2 - 20x + 4)$
 C. $(5x + 4)(25x^2 + 20x + 16)$
 D. $(5x + 4)(25x^2 - 20x + 16)$
(5x+4)(25x^2-20x+16)
5. Factor completely: $49x^2 - 25$
 A. $(7x - 5)^2$
 B. $(7x + 5)^2$
 C. $(7x + 5)(7x - 5)$
 D. $7(x + 5)(x - 5)$
(7x+5)(7x-5)
6. Factor completely: $8y^3 + z^6$
 A. $(2y + z^2)^3$
 B. $(2y + z^2)(4y^2 - 2yz + z^2)$
 C. $(2y + z^2)(2y^2 + 2yz + z^2)$
 D. $(2y + z^2)(4y^2 - 2yz + z^2)$
(2y+z^2)(4y^2-2yz+z^2)
7. Factor completely: $z^3 - 18z^2 + 81z$
 A. $z(z - 9)^2$
 B. $z(z + 9)^2$
 C. $z(z + 9)(z - 9)$
 D. $(z + 9)(z^2 - 9z + 9)$
z(z^2-18z+81) = z(z-9)^2
8. Factor completely: $4x^4 - 4000x$
 A. $(2x - 2000)(2x + 2000)$
 B. $4(x - 10)(x^3 - 10x + 100)$
 C. $4x(x - 10)(x^2 + 10x + 100)$
 D. $4x(x + 10)(x^2 - 10x + 100)$
4x(x^3 - 1000) = 4x(x-10)(x^2+10x+100)

*Cubes - can eliminate some choices
just from signs (SOP)*

MORE PRACTICE B:

Use your graphing calculator for questions 1-8.

1. Below is the graph of $f(x) = -x^2 + 4$.



According to the graph, what are the solutions for $-x^2 + 4 = 0$?

- A. $x = -2$ and $x = 2$
- B. $x = -4$ and $x = 4$
- C. $x = -2$ and $x = 0$
- D. $x = -4$ and $x = 0$

2. What are the solutions for $3x^2 - 14x - 24 = 0$?

- A. $x = -\frac{4}{3}$ and $x = 6$
- B. $x = -\frac{4}{3}$ and $x = 0$
- C. $x = -6$ and $x = \frac{4}{3}$
- D. $x = -6$ and $x = 0$

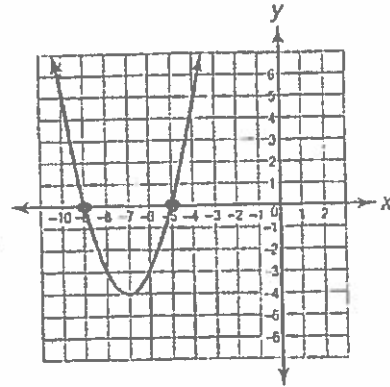
$$(3x + 4)(x - 6) = 0$$

$$3x + 4 = 0 \quad x - 6 = 0$$

$$3x = -4$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x = 6$$

3. Below is the graph of $f(x) = x^2 + 14x + 45$.



According to the graph, what are the solutions for $x^2 + 14x + 45 = 0$?

- A. $x = -9$ and $x = -5$ $(x+9)(x+5) = 0$
- B. $x = -9$ and $x = 0$
- C. $x = -5$ and $x = 0$ Remember
- D. $x = 0$ only root = -9 → x+9 is factor
root = +5 → x-5 is factor

4. Which is true of the solutions for $2x^2 - 28x + 98 = 0$?

- A. All real numbers are solutions for this equation.
- B. This equation has two distinct real solutions.
- C. This equation has only one distinct real solution.
- D. This equation has no distinct real solutions, but it does have complex solutions.

