

Factoring Quadratic Expressions

Factor each completely.

1) $x^2 - 7x - 18$

$$(x-9)(x+2)$$

2) $p^2 - 5p - 14$

$$(x-7)(x+2)$$

3) $m^2 - 9m + 8$

$$(m-8)(m-1)$$

4) $x^2 - 16x + 63$

$$(x-9)(x-7)$$

5) $7x^2 - 31x - 20$

$$(7x+4)(x-5)$$

6) $7k^2 + 9k$

$$k(7k+9)$$

7) $7x^2 - 45x - 28$

$$(7x+4)(x-7)$$

8) $2b^2 + 17b + 21$

$$(2b+3)(b+7)$$

9) $5p^2 - p - 18$

$$(5p+9)(p-2)$$

10) $28n^4 + 16n^3 - 80n^2$

$$4n^2(7n^2 + 4n - 20)$$

$$4n^2(7n-10)(n+2)$$

11) $3b^3 - 5b^2 + 2b$

$$b(3b^2 - 5b + 2)$$

$$b(3b - 2)(b - 1)$$

12) $7x^2 - 32x - 60$

$$(7x + 10)(x - 6)$$

13) $30n^2b - 87nb + 30b$

$$3b(10n^2 - 29n + 10)$$

$$3b(5n - 2)(2n - 5)$$

14) $9r^2 - 5r - 10$

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15) $9p^2r + 73pr + 70r$

$$r(9p^2 + 73p + 70)$$

$$r(9p + 10)(p + 7)$$

16) $9x^2 + 7x - 56$

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17) $4x^3 + 43x^2 + 30x$

$$x(4x^2 + 43x + 30)$$

$$x(4x + 3)(x + 10)$$

18) $10m^2 + 89m - 9$

$$(10m - 1)(m + 9)$$

Critical thinking questions:19) For what values of b is the expression factorable?

$$x^2 + bx + 12$$

$$b = \pm 13, \pm 8, \pm 7$$

20) Name four values of b which make the expression factorable:

$$x^2 - 3x + b$$

Many!

$$\text{Ex: } 0, 2, -4, -10, -18$$