

8-7: FACTORING SPECIAL CASES

Lesson Objectives:

- Factoring perfect square trinomials
 - Factoring the difference of two squares
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EXAMPLE 1: FACTORING A PERFECT SQUARE TRINOMIAL WITH $a=1$

Factor.

1. $x^2 + 8x + 16$

2. $x^2 + 24x + 144$

3. $m^2 - 28m + 196$

4. $a^2 + 26a + 169$

5. $x^2 + 4y + 4$

6. $g^2 - 2g + 1$

7. $x^2 - 22x + 121$

8. $x^2 + 25x + 100$

EXAMPLE 2: FACTORING A PERFECT SQUARE TRINOMIAL WITH $a \neq 1$

Factor.

9. $4x^2 + 12x + 9$

10. $4x^2 - 20x + 25$

11. $9n^2 + 12n + 4$

12. $4x^2 - 60x + 225$

13. $9x^2 + 60x + 100$

14. $16m^2 - 72m + 81$

15. $16x^2 - 8x + 1$

16. $25b^2 + 60b - 36$

17. $36x^2 - 84x + 49$

18. $9x^2 + 12x - 4$

19. $25x^4 + 40x^2y + 16y^4$

20. $x^2 + 20x + 64$

EXAMPLE 3: FACTORING THE DIFFERENCE OF TWO SQUARES FOR $a=1$
Factor.

21. $x^2 - 81$

22. $x^2 - 64$

23. $m^2 - 36$

24. $x^2 + 9$

25. $x^2 - 100$

26. $x^2 - 25$

27. $m^2 - 225$

28. $x^2 - 1$

EXAMPLE 4: FACTORING THE DIFFERENCE OF TWO SQUARES FOR $a \neq 1$
Factor.

29. $16x^2 - 49$

30. $4x^2 - 121$

31. $9v^2 - 4$

32. $25x^2 - 64$

33. $4w^2 - 81$

34. $100y^2 - 121$

35. $4b^2 - 169$

36. $16x^2 - 9$

FACTORING COMPLETELY

1.

2.

a)

b)

3.

a)

b)

4.

5.

EXAMPLE 5: FACTORING OUT THE GCF FIRST

Factor completely.

37. $10x^2 - 40$

38. $8y^2 - 50$

39. $3c^2 - 75$

40. $28k^2 - 7$

Factor completely.

41. $4x^2 + 24x + 36$

42. $50x^2 - 162y^2$

43. $50x^2 - 80x + 32$

44. $x^8 - 256$

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Factor.

1. $h^2 + 12h + 36$

2. $t^2 - 14t + 49$

3. $100v^2 - 220v + 121$

4. $k^2 - 196$

5. $m^2 - 225$

6. $y^2 - 900$

7. $9c^2 - 64$

8. $144p^2 - 1$

9. $25w^2 - 196$

10. $3x^2 + 48x + 192$

11. $7h^2 - 56h + 112$

12. $3m^2 - 12$

13. $6r^3 - 150r$

14. $16p^2 - 48pq + 36q^2$

15. $28c^2 + 140cd + 175d^2$

16. $x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4}$

17. $64g^2 - 192gh + 144h^2$

18. $\frac{1}{9}n^2 - \frac{1}{25}$

19. $\frac{1}{25}k^2 + \frac{6}{5}k + 9$

20. $36m^4 + 84m^2 + 49$

21. $108m^6 - 147$

22. $x^{20} - 4x^{10}y^5 + 4y^{10}$

23. $45x^4 - 60x^2y + 20y^2$

24. $37g^8 - 37h^8$

The area of a square is given. Find the length of one of the sides of the square.

25. $49d^2 + 28d + 4$

The expression $(t-3)^2 - 16$ is a difference of two squares.

26. Identify a and b .27. Factor $(t-3)^2 - 16$.

The binomial $16 - 81n^4$ can be factored twice as the difference of two squares.

28. Factor $16 - 81n^4$ completely.29. What characteristics do 16 and $81n^4$ share that make this possible?

30. Write a binomial that can be factored twice as the difference of two squares.

MIXED REVIEW

Is each number a solution of the given inequality (*not multiple choice; answer each letter yes/no*)?

31. $4z + 7 \geq 15$

a) -2

b) 2

c) 5

32. $-2g + 3 > 5$

a) -3

b) -1

c) 4

Solve each inequality. Graph the solution.

33. $z + 7 < 9$

34. $-5 + 4r \geq 3$

35. $5w > -6w + 11$

36. $4 + 3n \geq 1$ or $-5n > 25$

37. $10k < 75$ and $4 - k \leq 0$

38. $|4k - 2| = 11$