

Unit 8: Solving Quadratic Equations

To solve a quadratic equation, use one of the following methods:

- Factoring
- Quadratic Formula

1. $x^2 + 8x = 0$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} x=4 \quad x+8=0 \\ \quad \quad -8 \quad -8 \\ \hline \quad \quad x = -8 \end{array}$$

$$x = \{-8, 0\}$$

2. $4x^2 = 10x$

$$\begin{array}{r} -10x \quad -10x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$4x^2 - 10x = 0$$

$$4x(x-10) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 4|x=0 & x-10=0 \\ \frac{4}{4} \quad \frac{4}{4} & +10 \quad +10 \\ \hline & x=10 \end{array}$$

$$x=0$$

$$x=10$$

$$x = \{0, 10\}$$

3. $x^2 + 5x = 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} -6 -6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + \boxed{5}x - \boxed{6} = 0$$

$$(x + 6)(x - 1) = 0$$

$x + 6 = 0$	$x - 1 = 0$
$\begin{array}{r} -6 -6 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} +1 +1 \\ \hline \end{array}$
$x = -6$	$x = 1$

$$x = \{-6, 1\}$$

4. $x^2 = 18x - 81$

$$\begin{array}{r} -18x -18x + 81 \\ +81 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

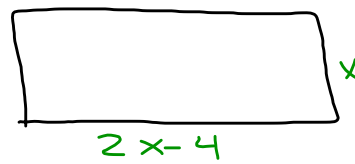
$$x^2 - \boxed{18}x + \boxed{81} = 0$$

$$(x - 9)(x - 9) = 0$$

$x - 9 = 0$	$x - 9 = 0$
$\begin{array}{r} +9 +9 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} +9 +9 \\ \hline \end{array}$
$x = 9$	$x = 9$

$$x = \{9\}$$

5. The length of a rectangle is 4 inches less than twice its width. The area of the rectangle is 70 square inches, what are its dimensions?



let $x = \text{width}$
let $2x-4 = \text{Length}$ $A = lw$

$$70 = x(2x-4)$$

$$70 = 2x^2 - 4x$$

$$-70 \quad \quad \quad -70$$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 4x - 70$$

use quadratic formula

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(2)(-70)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{576}}{4}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{576} \\ 24 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$x = \frac{4+24}{4} \text{ or } x = \frac{4-24}{4}$$

$$x = 7$$

$$x = -5$$

Reject

$$2x-7$$

$$2(7)-4 = 10$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} w = 7 \\ L = 10 \end{array} \right\}$$

Completing the Square

Rewrite each expression by completing the square

1. $a^2 - 4a + 15$

2. $c^2 + 20c - 40$

3. $x^2 + x + 1$

① $a^2 - 4a + 15$

$$a^2 - 4a \boxed{+4} + 15 \boxed{-4}$$

$$\left(\frac{-4}{2}\right)^2 = 4$$

$$(a-2)^2 + 11$$

② $c^2 + 20c - 40$

$$c^2 + 20c \boxed{+100} - 40 \boxed{-100}$$

$$\left(\frac{20}{2}\right)^2$$

$$(c+10)^2 - 140$$

③ $x^2 + x + 1$

$$x^2 + 1x \boxed{+\frac{1}{4}} + 1 \boxed{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}$$

Solve for x by completing the square.

$$1. a^2 - 4a - 15 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 4a + 4 = +15 - 4$$

$\left(\frac{-4}{2}\right)^2$

$$\sqrt{(a-2)^2} = \sqrt{11}$$

$$a - 2 = \pm \sqrt{11}$$

$$\frac{+2 \quad +2}{a = 2 \pm \sqrt{11}}$$

$$2. n^2 - 2n - 15 = 0$$

$$n^2 - 2n + 1 = 15 + 1$$

$\left(\frac{-2}{2}\right)^2$

$$\sqrt{(n-1)^2} = \sqrt{16}$$

$$n - 1 = \pm 4$$

$$\frac{+1 \quad +1}{n = 1 \pm 4}$$

$$n = \{-3, 5\}$$

$$3. r^2 + 4r + 3 = 0$$

$$r^2 + 4r \boxed{+4} = -3 \boxed{+4}$$

$$\left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\sqrt{(r+2)^2} = \sqrt{1}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} r+2 = \pm 1 \\ -2 \quad -2 \end{array}$$

$$r = -2 \pm 1$$

$$r = \{-3, -1\}$$

$$4. c^2 + 20c - 40 = 0$$

$$c^2 + 20c \boxed{+100} = 40 \boxed{+100}$$

$$\left(\frac{20}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\sqrt{(c+10)^2} = \sqrt{140}$$

$$c+10 = \pm \sqrt{140}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -10 \quad -10 \end{array}$$

$$c = -10 \pm \sqrt{140}$$

Unit 9: Rational Expressions and Equations

Simplify each expression or solve each equation for x.

$$1. \frac{x^2 - 12x + 20}{x - 10} \cdot \frac{(x - 10)(x - 2)}{\cancel{x - 10}} = \boxed{x - 2}$$

$$2. \text{gcf: } 2n$$

$$\frac{2n^2 - 10n}{n^2 - 9n + 20} \cdot \frac{n^2 - 8n + 16}{4n^2}$$

$$\frac{2n \cancel{(n - 5)}}{\cancel{(n - 4)} \cancel{(n - 5)}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{(n - 4)}(n - 4)}{4n^2}$$

$$\frac{2 \cancel{n} (n - 4)}{4n^2} = \boxed{\frac{n - 4}{2n}}$$

3.

$$\frac{3y+9}{y+2} \div \frac{1}{y+3}$$

gcf: 3

$$\frac{3y+9}{y+2} \cdot \frac{1}{y+3}$$

$$\frac{3(y+3)}{y+2} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{y+3}} = \boxed{\frac{3}{y+2}}$$

4.

~~$$\frac{x-7}{6} = \frac{4}{x+3}$$~~

$$(x-7)(x+3) = 24$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 7x - 21 = 24$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 21 = 24$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 45 = 0$$

$$(x+5)(x-9) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+5=0 \\ -5 \quad -5 \\ \hline x = -5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-9=0 \\ +9 \quad +9 \\ \hline x = 9 \end{array}$$

$$x = \{-5, 9\}$$