

7.5

Notetaking with Vocabulary

I can factor $x^2 + bx + c$.

I can solve polynomial equations by factoring and using the Zero Product Property

In your own words, write the meaning of each vocabulary term.

polynomial — a monomial or a sum of monomials

$$3x^2 \text{ (monomial)}$$

$$3x^2 + x \text{ (binomial)}$$

$$3x^2 + 6x + 7$$

FOIL Method — method for multiplying 2 binomials (trinomial)

$$(x+4)(x-6) = x^2 - 6x + 4x - 24 = x^2 - 2x - 24$$

Zero-Product Property If a product = zero, then one of the factors = 0
 — If $a \cdot b = 0$, then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

Notes: Previously you factored... by removing the GCF

now we will factor inside parentheses

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

Core Concepts — $ax^2 + bx + c$

Factoring $x^2 + bx + c$ When c is positive and a is 1.

Algebra $x^2 + bx + c = (x+p)(x+q)$ when $p+q = b$ and $pq = c$.

When c is positive, p and q have the same sign as b .

Examples $x^2 + 6x + 5 = (x+1)(x+5)$

$$x^2 - 6x + 5 = (x-1)(x-5)$$

ac method

$$\underline{\quad} \cdot \underline{\quad} = a \cdot c = 1 \cdot c$$

$$\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} = b$$

	x	-7
x	x^2	$-7x$
9	$9x$	-63

$$= x^2 + 2x - 63$$

$$a=1 \quad b=2 \quad c=-63$$

Factoring $x^2 + bx + c$ When c is negative and a is 1.

Algebra $x^2 + bx + c = (x+p)(x+q)$ when $p+q = b$ and $pq = c$.

When c is negative, p and q have different signs.

Example $x^2 - 4x - 5 = (x+1)(x-5)$

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Practice

← parentheses in answer

In Exercises 1–6, factor the polynomial.

1. $c^2 + 8c + 7$

2. $a^2 + 16a + 64$

3. $x^2 + 11x + 18$

$a = 1$ $b = 8$ $c = 7$

	c	7
c	c^2	$7c$
1	$1c$	7

$\frac{7 \cdot 1}{7 + 1} = \frac{a \cdot c}{b}$

$(c+7)(c+1)$

4. $b^2 + 3b - 54$

5. $y^2 - y - 2$

6. $u^2 + 3u - 18$

$a = 1$ $b = 3$ $c = -54$

	b	-6
b	b^2	$-6b$
9	$9b$	-54

$\frac{-6 \cdot 9}{-6 + 9} = \frac{-54}{3}$

$-1, 54$
 $-2, 27$
 $-3, 18$
 $-6, 9$

$(b-6)(b+9)$

In Exercises 7–13, solve the equation.

x = in answer

7. $g^2 - 13g + 40 = 0$

8. $k^2 - 5k + 6 = 0$

9. $w^2 - 7w + 10 = 0$

$$10. x^2 - x = 30$$

$$11. r^2 - 3r = -2$$

$$\quad \quad \quad +2 \quad +2$$

$$12. t^2 - 7t = 8$$

$$r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0 \quad a=1 \quad b=-3 \quad c=2$$

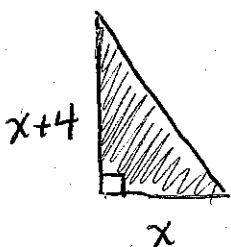
$$(r-1)(r-2) = 0 \quad \frac{-1}{-1} \cdot \frac{-2}{-2} = 2$$

$$r-1=0 \text{ or } r-2=0 \quad \frac{-1}{-1} + \frac{-2}{-2} = -3$$

$$\boxed{r=1 \quad r=2}$$

	r	-1
r	r ²	-r
-2	-2r	2

13. The area of a right triangle is 16 square miles. One leg of the triangle is 4 miles longer than the other leg. Find the length of each leg.



$$A = 16 \text{ miles}^2$$

$$A = \frac{bh}{2} = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

$$16 = \frac{1}{2}x(x+4)$$

$$16 = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x$$

$$2 \cdot 0 = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x - 16 \right) \cdot 2$$

$$0 = 1x^2 + 4x - 32 \quad a=1 \quad b=4 \quad c=-32$$

$$0 = (x+8)(x-4) \quad \frac{-4}{-4} \cdot \frac{8}{8} = -32$$

$$\frac{-4}{-4} + \frac{8}{8} = 4$$

$$x+8=0 \quad x-4=0$$

$$\cancel{x=-8} \quad x=4$$

The lengths of the legs are 4 miles and 8 miles.

$$\begin{array}{r} -32 \\ -1, 32 \\ -2, 16 \\ \hline -4, 8 \end{array}$$