

Algebra 1 9.4

Complete the square to write perfect square trinomials

Solve equations by completing the square
trinomial

perfect square trinomial

quadratic term

linear term

constant term

$$x^2 + 6x + ? \quad 9$$

$$(x + 3)^2$$

Complete the square. Write in factored form.

$$16. x^2 - 22x + 121$$
$$(x - 11)^2$$

$$17. x^2 - 15x + \frac{225}{4}$$
$$\frac{15}{2} \cdot \frac{15}{2}$$
$$\left(x - \frac{15}{2}\right)^2$$

$$18. x^2 + 24x + 144$$
$$(x + 12)^2$$

How do you solve?

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{25} =$$
$$x = \pm 5$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{81}$$
$$x = \pm 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x-2)^2} = \sqrt{16}$$
$$x-2 = \pm 4$$

$$\sqrt{(x+5)^2} = \sqrt{49}$$
$$x+5 = \pm 7$$

$$x-2 = 4$$
$$\begin{array}{r} +2 \\ +2 \end{array}$$

$$x = 6$$

$$x-2 = -4$$
$$\begin{array}{r} +2 \\ +2 \end{array}$$

$$x = -2$$

$$x+5 = 7$$
$$\begin{array}{r} -5 \\ -5 \end{array}$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x+5 = -7$$
$$\begin{array}{r} -5 \\ -5 \end{array}$$

$$x = -12$$

Guided Practice

2. Solve $x^2 - 12x + 3 = 8$ by completing the square.

$$x^2 - 12x + 3 = 5 + 36$$
$$\sqrt{(x-6)^2} = \sqrt{41}$$

$$x - 6 = \pm 6.4$$
$$x = 6 \pm 6.4$$

→ $6 + 6.4 = 12.4$
 $6 - 6.4 = -0.4$

1. Clear the construction zone.
2. What else do I need to build a perfect square?
3. What has to happen (to both sides)?
4. Write in factored form.
5. Solve.

Example 2 Solve an Equation by Completing the Square

Solve $x^2 - 6x + 12 = 19$ by completing the square.

$$\begin{array}{cc} -12 & -12 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 7 + 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x-3)^2} = \sqrt{16}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x-3 = \pm 4 \\ +3 \quad +3 \\ x = 3 \pm 4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} x = 3+4 = 7 \\ \quad = 3-4 = -1 \end{array}$$

What do I need to build a perfect square?

What has to happen (to both sides)?

Write in factored form

$$x+2 = 8$$

Solve each equation by completing the square. Round to the nearest tenth if necessary.

5. $x^2 + 4x = 6$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 6 + 4$$

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

$$x+2 = \pm 3.2$$
$$x = -2 \pm 3.2$$

6. $x^2 - 8x = -9$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 = -9 + 16$$
$$\sqrt{(x-4)^2} = \sqrt{7}$$

$$x-4 = \pm \sqrt{7}$$
$$+4 \quad +4$$

$$x = 4 \pm 2.6$$

What do I need to build a perfect square?

What has to happen (to both sides)?

Write in factored form

$$x = 6.6$$
$$x = 1.4$$

19 $x^2 + 6x - 16 = 0$

$+16 +16$

$x^2 + 6x + 9 = 16 + 9$

$\sqrt{(x+3)^2} = \sqrt{25}$

$x+3 = \pm 5$
 $-3 -3$

$x = -3 \pm 5$

20. $x^2 - 2x - 14 = 0$

$+14 +14$

$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 14 + 1$

$\sqrt{(x-1)^2} = \sqrt{15}$

$x-1 = \pm \sqrt{15}$
 $+1 +1$

$x = 2$

$x = -8$

$x = 1 \pm \sqrt{15}$

$x = 4.9$

$x = -2.9$

What do I need to build a perfect square?

What has to happen (to both sides)?

Write in factored form

21. $x^2 - 8x - 1 = 8$

$$\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2}$$

22. $x^2 + 3x + 21 = 22$ ***
-21 -21

$$x^2 + 3x + \frac{9}{4} = 1 + \frac{9}{4}$$
$$\sqrt{\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{13}{4}}$$
$$x + \frac{3}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{13}{4}}$$

$\frac{3}{2}$ $\frac{3}{2}$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2} \pm 1.8$$

$$x = -1.5 \pm 1.8$$

$$x = 0.3$$
$$x = -3.3$$

$$23. x^2 - 11x + 3 = 5 \quad \frac{2}{1} = \frac{8}{4}$$

$$x^2 - 11x + \frac{121}{4} = 2 + \frac{121}{4}$$

$$\left(x - \frac{11}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{129}{4}$$

$$x - \frac{11}{2} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{129}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{11}{2} \pm 5.7$$

$$x = 5.5 \pm 5.7$$

$$= 11.2$$

$$= -0.2$$

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