

EXERCISES

Practice and Problem Solving

For more practice, see *Extra Practice*.

A Practice by Example

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Factor each expression.

1. $c^2 + 10c + 25$

2. $x^2 - 2x + 1$

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

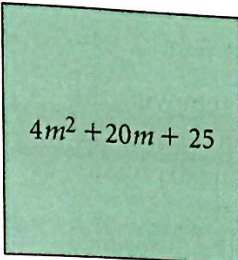
4. $m^2 - 24m + 144$

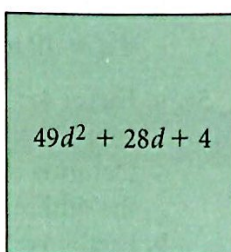
5. $k^2 - 16k + 64$

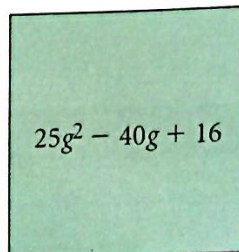
6. $t^2 - 14t + 49$

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Find the side length of each square.

7. 
 $4m^2 + 20m + 25$

8. 
 $49d^2 + 28d + 4$

9. 
 $25g^2 - 40g + 16$

Factor each expression. Check your answer.

10. $25g^2 - 30g + 9$

11. $64r^2 - 144r + 81$

12. $100v^2 - 220v + 121$

13. $x^2 - 4$

14. $y^2 - 81$

15. $k^2 - 196$

16. $r^2 - 144$

17. $h^2 - 100$

18. $m^2 - 225$

19. $w^2 - 256$

20. $x^2 - 400$

21. $y^2 - 900$

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22. $25q^2 - 9$

23. $49y^2 - 4$

24. $9c^2 - 64$

25. $4m^2 - 81$

26. $16k^2 - 49$

27. $144p^2 - 1$

28. $81v^2 - 100$

29. $400n^2 - 121$

30. $25w^2 - 196$

31. $3m^2 - 12$

32. $5k^2 - 245$

33. $3x^2 + 48x + 192$

34. $2t^2 - 36t + 162$

35. $6r^3 - 150r$

36. $7h^2 - 56h + 112$

B Apply Your Skills

37. **Writing** Summarize the procedure for factoring a perfect-square trinomial. Give at least two examples.

38. **Error Analysis** Suppose a classmate factored the binomial at the right. What error did your classmate make?

$$\begin{aligned} 4x^2 - 121 &= (4x - 11)(4x - 11) \\ &= (4x - 11)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Mental Math Find a pair of factors for each number by using the difference of two squares.

Sample $143 = 144 - 1$
 $= 12^2 - 1^2$

Write 143 as the difference of two squares.

Rewrite 144 as 12^2 and 1 as 1^2 .

$= (12 - 1)(12 + 1)$ Factor.

$= (11)(13)$ Simplify.

39. 99

40. 91

41. 75

42. 117

43. 224

44. **a. Open-Ended** Write an expression that is a perfect-square trinomial.
b. Explain how you know your trinomial is a perfect-square trinomial.

Factor each expression.

45. $100v^2 - 25w^2$

48. $\frac{1}{4}m^2 - \frac{1}{9}$

51. $\frac{1}{4}p^2 - 2p + 4$

46. $16p^2 - 48pq + 36q^2$

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

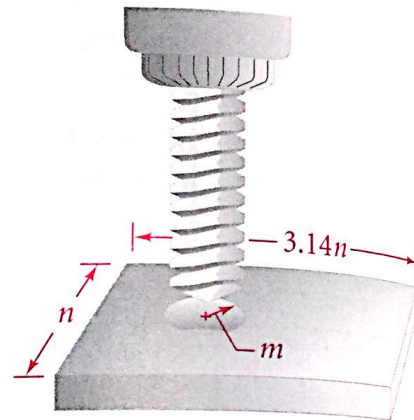
52. $\frac{1}{9}n^2 - \frac{1}{25}$

47. $28c^2 + 140cd + 175d^2$

50. $64g^2 - 192gh + 144h^2$

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

54. a. **Geometry** Write an expression in terms of n and m for the area of the top of the solid region being drilled at the right. Use 3.14 for π . Factor your expression.
 b. Find the area of the solid region if $n = 10$ in. and $m = 3$ in.



55. a. Factor $4x^2 - 100$ by removing the common monomial factor and then factoring the remaining expression as the difference of squares.
 b. Factor $4x^2 - 100$ as the difference of squares, and then remove the common monomial factors.
 c. **Critical Thinking** Why can $4x^2 - 100$ be factored in two different ways?
 d. Can you factor $3x^2 - 75$ in the two ways you factored $4x^2 - 100$ in parts (a) and (b)? Explain your answer.

C Challenge

Factor each expression.

56. $64r^6 - 144r^3 + 81$

57. $p^6 + 40p^3q + 400q^2$

58. $36m^4 + 84m^2 + 49$

59. $81p^{10} + 198p^5 + 121$

60. $108m^6 - 147$

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

62. $256g^4 - 100h^6$

63. $45x^4 - 60x^2y + 20y^2$

64. $37g^8 - 37h^8$

65. a. The expression $(t - 3)^2 - 16$ is a difference of two squares. Identify a and b .
 b. Factor $(t - 3)^2 - 16$ and simplify.
 66. The binomial $16 - 81n^4$ can be factored twice as the difference of squares.
 a. Factor $16 - 81n^4$ completely.
 b. **Critical Thinking** What characteristics do 16 and $81n^4$ share that make this possible?
 c. **Open-Ended** Write a binomial that can be factored twice as the difference of squares.