

**3.20 PreTest: Solving quadratics, complex numbers, radicals and exponents**

*Do Not Use a Calculator*

A2.REI.4 Solve quadratic equations

1. Given the quadratic equation, complete the square to determine the number of solutions:

$$x^2 + 6x + 7 = 0$$

(a) Find  $\frac{b}{2} =$

(b) Find  $\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 =$

(c) Rewrite the equation, adding or subtracting to both sides to complete the square.

(d) How many solutions does the equation have?

2.  $x^2 + 12x + 42 = 0$

(a) Find  $\frac{b}{2} =$

(b) Find  $\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 =$

(c) Rewrite the equation, adding or subtracting to both sides to complete the square.

(d) How many solutions does the equation have?

3.  $x^2 + 14x + 49 = 0$

(a) Find  $\frac{b}{2} =$

(b) Find  $\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 =$

(c) Rewrite the equation, adding or subtracting to both sides to complete the square.

(d) How many solutions does the equation have?

4. Square both sides of the equation and solve for  $x$ .

(a)  $\sqrt{x+9} = 4$

(b) Check your solution.

5. Cube both sides of the equation and solve for  $x$ .

(a)  $\sqrt[3]{x-3} = 3$

(b) Check your solution.

6. Solve for  $x$  and check.

(a)  $\sqrt{2x+1} - 7 = -2$

(b) Check your solution.