-5 + z = 0 or 3 + z = 0

z = 5 or z = -3

 $r(z) = z^2 - 2z - 15 = (-5 + z)(3 + z) = 0$

So, the z-intercepts are at the points (5,0) and (-3,0)

To find the z-intercept, we set $\sf r$ equal to 0, so :

Solution