

Factoring Trinomials ($x^2 + bx + c$)



LEVEL 1: The Basics Master the Fundamentals)

Factor each trinomial. Show your work!

❖ $(x^2 + 5x + 6)$

❖ $(x^2 + 8x + 12)$

❖ $(x^2 + 9x + 20)$

❖ $(x^2 + 6x + 8)$

❖ $(x^2 + 7x + 10)$

❖ $(x^2 - 4x + 4)$

❖ $(x^2 - 5x + 6)$

❖ $(x^2 - 7x + 10)$

❖ $(x^2 + x - 6)$

❖ $(x^2 + 2x - 8)$

❖ $(x^2 - 2x - 15)$

❖ $(x^2 + 4x - 12)$

❖ $(x^2 - x - 12)$

❖ $(x^2 + 3x - 18)$

❖ $(x^2 - 6x - 16)$

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LEVEL 2: Dive Deeper

Factor completely. Check for GCF first!

❖ $(x^2 + 10x + 21)$

❖ $(x^2 - 9x + 18)$

❖ $(x^2 + 5x - 24)$

❖ $(x^2 - 3x - 28)$

❖ $(x^2 + 11x + 24)$

❖ $(x^2 - 8x + 12)$

❖ $(x^2 + 4x - 21)$

❖ $(x^2 - 10x + 24)$

❖ $(x^2 + 7x - 30)$

❖ $(x^2 - 12x + 32)$

❖ $(x^2 + 13x + 36)$

❖ $(x^2 - x - 20)$

❖ $(x^2 + 8x - 20)$

❖ $(x^2 - 5x - 36)$

❖ $(x^2 + 15x + 56)$

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LEVEL 3: Mastering the Concept

Factor each. Some may be prime!

❖ $(x^2 + 17x + 72)$

❖ $(x^2 - 13x + 40)$

❖ $(x^2 + 3x - 40)$

❖ $(x^2 - 2x - 48)$

❖ $(x^2 + 10x - 56)$

❖ $(x^2 - 17x + 72)$

❖ $(x^2 + 19x + 90)$

❖ $(x^2 - 7x - 60)$

❖ $(x^2 + 20x + 100)$

❖ $(x^2 - 14x + 49)$

❖ $(x^2 + x - 72)$

❖ $(x^2 - 20x + 96)$

❖ $(x^2 + 22x + 121)$

❖ $(x^2 - 9x - 52)$

❖ $(x^2 + 18x - 88)$

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Real-Life / Word Problems

Q1: Garden Area: A rectangular garden has an area of ($x^2 + 12x + 32$) square feet.

- Find the length and width as binomials in terms of x).
- If $x = 3$), what are the actual dimensions?

Q2: Projectile Motion: The height h in meters) of a ball is $h = -x^2 + 6x + 16$).

- Rewrite the equation in factored form to find when the ball hits the ground $h = 0$)).

Q3: Solve the following equations:

1. Solve: $x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0$
2. Solve: $x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$
3. Solve: $x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$
4. Solve: $x^2 - 4x + 12 = 24$
5. Solve: $3x^2 + 6x - 45 = 0$

Challenge Problem

1. Factor ($x^2 + (a + b)x + ab$). Prove your answer by expanding.
2. Factor the following expression completely: $x^4 - 5x^2 - 36$.