

**Factoring a Difference of Squares:  $a^2 - b^2$**

Conjugates: Sum of two terms and a difference of two terms.

Learn the pattern that exists for multiplying conjugates.

$$(x + 2)(x - 2) = x^2 - 2x + 2x - 4 = x^2 - 4$$

The two middle terms cancel each other out.

We can use this knowledge to quickly factor polynomials that look like  $x^2 - 4$ .

Eg.1. Factor  $x^2 - 9$ .

$$= (x + 3)(x - 3) \quad \text{Square root each term, place them in 2 brackets with opposite signs (+ and -).}$$

Eg.2. Factor  $100a^2 - 81b^2$

$$= (10a + 9b)(10a - 9b) \quad \text{Square root each term, place them in 2 brackets with opposite signs (+ and -).}$$

$$(a + b)(a + b) \qquad (a + b)(a - b)$$

Factor the following completely.

<p>239. <math>a^2 - 25y^2</math></p> <p><math>(a+5)(a-5)</math></p> <p><math>(a+5y)(a-5y)</math></p> <p><math>a^2 - \cancel{5ay} + \cancel{5ay} - 25y^2</math></p> <p><math>(a^2 - 25y^2)</math></p>	<p>240. <math>x^2 + 144</math></p> <p><math>(x-12)(x+12)</math></p> <p><math>(\sqrt{x} - 12)(\sqrt{x} + 12)</math></p> <p><math>4a^2b^2c^2d^2 + 9</math></p> <p><math>a^6 + 25</math></p> <p><math>(a^3+5)(a^3-5)</math></p>	<p>241. <math>1 - c^2</math></p> <p><math>(1+c)(1-c)</math></p> <p><math>8a^4 - 18</math></p> <p><math>2(4a^4 - 9)</math></p> <p><math>2(2a^2+3)(2a^2-3)</math></p>
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I recognize a polynomial is a difference of squares because it is a binomial where each/both  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  can be rooted / are perfect squares.



Factor the following completely.

242.  $4x^2 - 36$

$(2x-6)(2x+6)$

$4(x^2-9)$

$4(x-3)(x+3)$

243.  $9x^2 - y^2$

$(3x-y)(3x+y)$

244.  $25a^4 - 36$

$(5a^2-6)(5a^2+6)$

245.  $49t^2 - 36u^2$

$(7t-6u)(7t+6u)$

246.  $7x^2 - 28y^2$

$7(x^2-4y^2)$

$7(x-2y)(x+2y)$

247.  $-18a^2 + 2b^2$

$2(-9a^2+b^2)$

$2(-3a+b)(3a+b)$

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?  $\star 2(3a+b)(3a-b)$

248.  $-9 + d^4$

$-9 + d^4$

$(d^2+3)(d^2-3)$

order?

249.  $\frac{a^2}{9} - \frac{b^2}{16}$

$\left(\frac{a}{3} + \frac{b}{4}\right)\left(\frac{a}{3} - \frac{b}{4}\right)$

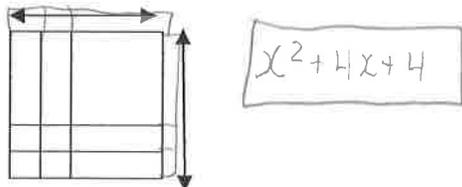
250.  $\frac{x^2y^2}{49} - 1$

$\left(\frac{xy}{7} - 1\right)\left(\frac{xy}{7} + 1\right)$



### Factoring a Perfect Square Trinomial

251. Write an expression for the following diagram (do not simplify):



What two binomials are being multiplied above?

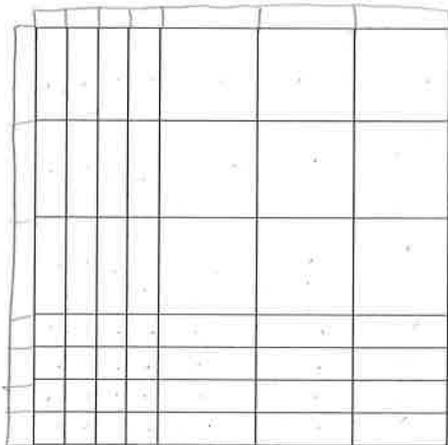
$(x+2)(x+2)$

★ Answer Key ★

Write an equation using the binomials above and the simplified product.

$x^2 + 4x + 4 = (x+2)(x+2)$   
 $x^2 + 4x + 4 = (x+2)^2$

253. Write an expression for the following diagram (do not simplify):



$9x^2 + 24x + 16$

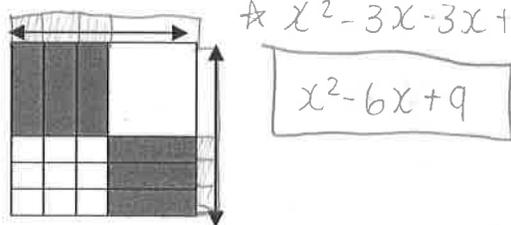
What two binomials are being multiplied above?

$(3x+4)(3x+4)$

Write an equation using the binomials above and the simplified product.

$9x^2 + 24x + 16 = (3x+4)(3x+4)$   
 $9x^2 + 24x + 16 = (3x+4)^2$

252. Write an expression for the following diagram (do not simplify):



$x^2 - 3x - 3x + 9$

What two binomials are being multiplied above?

$(x-3)(x-3)$

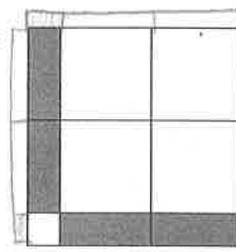
Write an equation using the binomials above and the simplified product.

$x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x-3)(x-3)$

★ Answer Key ★

$x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x-3)^2$

254. Write an expression for the following diagram (do not simplify):



$4x^2 - 2x - 2x + 1$   
 $4x^2 - 4x + 1$

What two binomials are being multiplied above?

$(2x-1)(2x-1)$

Write an equation using the binomials above and the simplified product.

$4x^2 - 4x + 1 = (2x-1)(2x-1)$   
 $4x^2 - 4x + 1 = (2x-1)^2$

★ Answer Key ★

### PERFECT SQUARE TRINOMIALS

You may use the methods for factoring trinomials to factor trinomial squares but recognizing them could make factoring them quicker and easier.

Eg.1. Factor.

$$x^2 + 6x + 9$$

Recognize that the first and last terms are both perfect squares.

$$(x + 3)^2$$

Guess by taking the square root of the first and last terms and put them in two sets of brackets.

Check: Does  $2(x)(3) = 6x$   
Yes! Trinomial Square!

In a trinomial square, the middle term will be double the product of the square root of first and last terms. Wow, that's a mouthful!

$$(x + 3)^2$$

Answer in simplest form.

Eg.2. Factor.

$$121m^2 - 22m + 1$$

$$(11m - 1)^2$$

Guess & Check.  $2(11m \times -1) = -22m$ .

Since the middle term is negative, binomial answer will be a subtraction.

Factor the following.

255.  $x^2 + 14x + 49$

$$(x+7)(x+7)$$

$$(x+7)^2$$

256.  $4x^2 - 4x + 1$

$$x^2 - 4x + 4$$

$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{4} \frac{(x-2)^2}{4}$$

$$(2x-1)(2x-1) \rightarrow (2x-1)^2$$

257.  $9b^2 - 24b + 16$

$$(3b-4)(3b-4)$$

$$(3b-4)^2$$

258.  $64m^2 - 32m + 4$

$$4(16m^2 - 8m + 1)$$

$$4(4m-1)^2$$

259.  $81n^2 + 90n + 25$

$$(9n+5)(9n+5)$$

$$(9n+5)^2$$

260.  $81x^2 - 144xy + 64y^2$

$$(9x-8y)(9x-8y)$$

$$(9x-8y)^2$$

# Create a Factoring Flowchart.

Start with the first thing you should do....collect like terms.

collect like terms

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$$\begin{aligned} & [4x^2 + 28x + 48] \\ & [4(x^2 + 7x + 12)] \end{aligned}$$

LOOK FOR SPECIAL PATTERN

Difference of Squares

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [36x^2 - 9x] \\ & [9(4x^2 - y^2)] \\ & [9(2x-y)(2x+y)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{4}x^2 - 81y^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}x - 9y\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}x + 9y\right) \right]$$

$$\left[ a^2 - 100b^2 = (a + 10b)(a - 10b) \right]$$

Perfect Square Trinomial

$$(a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x-y)^2 &= (x-y)(x-y) \\ &= x^2 - xy - xy + y^2 \\ &= x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x+y)^2 &= (x+y)(x+y) \\ &= x^2 + xy + xy + y^2 \\ &= x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c$$

a=1

$$\begin{aligned} & [x^2 + 7x + 12] \\ & [(x+3)(x+4)] \end{aligned}$$

a≠1

Guess & check

$$\begin{aligned} & [3x^2 - 10x + 8] \\ & [(3x-4)(x-2)] \end{aligned}$$

★ Decomposition ★

$$\begin{aligned} & [3x^2 - 10x + 8] \\ & [3x^2 - 6x - 4x + 8] \\ & [3x(x-2) - 4(x-2)] \\ & [(3x-4)(x-2)] \end{aligned}$$



**Combined Factoring.** Factor the following completely.

261.  $3a^2 - 3b^2$

$3(a-b)(a+b)$

262.  $4x^2 + 28x + 48$

$4(x^2 + 7x + 12)$   
 $4(x+3)(x+4)$

263.  $x^4 - 16$

$(x^2 - 4)(x^2 + 4)$   
 $\star (x^2 + 4)(x - 2)(x + 2) \star$

264.  $2y^2 - 2y - 24$

$2(y^2 - y - 12)$   
 $2(y+4)(y-3)$

$\star +4$  or  $-4$  /  $+3$  or  $-3$   $\star$

265.  $16 - 28x + 20x^2$

$20x^2 - 28x + 16$   
 $4(5x^2 - 7x + 4)$

$\star$  why can't you factor anymore?  $\star$

266.  $m^4 - 5m^2 - 36$

$(m^2 - 9)(m^2 + 4)$   
 $(m^2 + 4)(m - 3)(m + 3)$

$\star$  why don't you separate it?  $\star$

267.  $x^8 - 1$

$(x^4 + 1)(x^4 - 1)$   
 $(x^4 + 1)(x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)$   
 $(x^4 + 1)(x^2 + 1)(x + 1)(x - 1)$

268.  $x^3 - xy^2$

$x(x^2 - y^2)$   
 $x(x - y)(x + y)$

269.  $x^4 - 5x^2 + 4$

$(x^2 - 4)(x^2 - 1)$   
 $(x - 2)(x + 2)(x^2 - 1)$   
 $(x - 2)(x + 2)(x + 1)(x - 1)$

why don't you separate it?

**HIGHER DIFFICULTY...**

For some of the following questions, you may try substituting a variable in the place of the brackets to factor first, and then replace brackets.

270.  $(a + b)^2 - c^2$

$a + b = x$   
 $x^2 - c^2$   
 $(x - c)(x + c)$   
 $((a + b) - c)((a + b) + c)$   
 $(a + b - c)(a + b + c)$

271.  $(c - d)^2 - (c + d)^2$

$c - d = x$   
 $c + d = y$   
 $x^2 - y^2$   
 $(x - y)(x + y)$   
 $((c - d) - (c + d))((c - d) + (c + d))$   
 $(c - d - c - d)(c - d + c + d)$   
 $(-2d)(2c)$   
 $-4cd$   
 $\star -4dc \star$

272.  $(m + 7)^2 + 7(m + 7) + 12$

$m + 7 = x$   
 $x^2 + 7x + 12$   
 $x^2 + 3x + 4x + 12$   
 $x(x + 3) + 4(x + 3)$   
 $(x + 4)(x + 3)$   
 $((m + 7) + 4)((m + 7) + 3)$   
 $(m + 11)(m + 10)$

Answer  
Key  
wrong?

273. Factor.

$$(x+2)^2 - (x-3)^2$$

$$x+2=x$$

$$x-3=y$$

$$x^2 - y^2$$

$$(x-y)(x+y)$$

$$((x+2)-(x-3))((x+2)+(x-3))$$

$$(x+2-x+3)(x+2+x-3)$$

$$5(2x-1) \rightarrow 5(2x-1)$$

274. Find all the values of  $k$  so that  $x^2 + kx - 12$  can be factored.

$$-12 = -3, +4 = +1$$

$$-4, +3 = -1$$

$$-12, +1 = -11$$

$$+12, -1 = +11$$

$$-2, +6 = +4$$

$$+2, -6 = -4$$

$$\pm 1, \pm 4, \pm 11$$

275. For which integral values of  $k$  can  $3x^2 + kx - 3$  be factored.

$$3x-3 = -3, +3 = 0$$

$$-9, +1 = -8$$

$$+9, -1 = +8$$

$$0, \pm 8$$

\* include zero\*

276. What value of  $k$  would make  $kx^2 + 24xy + 16y^2$  a perfect square trinomial?

$$b = 4y \quad 12xy \rightarrow 4y$$

$$2ab = 24xy$$

$$\frac{24xy}{2 \cdot 4y} = \frac{24x}{8} = 3x = a$$

$$a^2 = kx^2 \rightarrow (3x)^2 = kx^2 = 9x^2 = kx^2 \rightarrow k = 9$$

277. What value of  $k$  would make  $2kx^2 - 24xy + 9y^2$  a perfect square trinomial?

$$2ab = -24xy \rightarrow b = 3y$$

$$\frac{-24xy}{2 \cdot 3y} = \frac{-24x}{6} = -4x = a$$

$$2kx^2 = (-4x)^2 = \frac{16x^2}{2} = 8x^2$$

$$k = 8$$

278. For which integral values of  $k$  can  $6x^2 + kx + 1$  be factored.

$$6 = -3, -2 = -5$$

$$+3, +2 = +5$$

$$+6, +1 = +7$$

$$-6, -1 = -7$$

$$b. \pm 5, \pm 7$$

$$\pm 5, \pm 7$$

d. all integers from 5 to 7.

279. Expand and simplify.

$$-2(3m+4)^2$$

$$-2(3m+4)(3m+4)$$

$$-2(9m^2 + 12m + 12m + 16)$$

$$-2(9m^2 + 24m + 16)$$

$$-18m^2 - 48m - 32$$

280. If  $a = 2x + 3$ , write  $a^2 - 5a + 3$  in terms of  $x$ .

$$(2x+3)^2 - 5(2x+3) + 3$$

$$4x^2 + 9 - 10x - 15 + 3$$

$$4x^2 - 10x - 3$$

$$2ab = 24xy$$

$$b = 4y$$

$$\frac{24xy}{2 \cdot 4y} = \frac{24x}{8} = 3x = a$$

$$(3x)^2 = kx^2$$

$$2ab = -24xy$$

$$\frac{2a(3y)}{3y} = \frac{-24xy}{3y} = -8x = a$$

$$2kx^2 = (-8x)^2 = \frac{64x^2}{2} = 32x^2$$

$$k = 32$$

$$(-4x)^2 = 2kx^2$$

$$\frac{16x^2}{2} = \frac{2kx^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{8x^2}{x^2} = \frac{kx^2}{x^2}$$

$$8 = k$$

$$\frac{9x^2}{x^2} = \frac{kx^2}{x^2} \rightarrow 9 = k$$



★ not factoring ★

281. Lindsay was helping Anya with her math homework. She spotted an error in Anya's multiplication below. Find and correct any errors.

Multiply:

$$\begin{aligned} &5x(2x+1)+2(2x+1) \\ &=10x+1+4x+2 \\ &=14x+3 \end{aligned}$$

\*  $10x^2+9x+2$  \*

$$\begin{aligned} &5x(2x+1)+2(2x+1) \\ &10x^2+5x+4x+2 \\ &5x(2x+1)+2(2x+1) \\ &\boxed{(5x+2)(2x+1)} \end{aligned}$$

283. Find and correct any errors in the following factoring.

$$\begin{aligned} &2x^2 - 5x - 12 \\ &= 2x^2 - 12x + 2x - 12 \\ &= 2x(x-6) + 2(x-6) \\ &= (2x+2)(x-6) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &2x^2 - 5x - 12 \\ &2x^2 - 8x + 3x - 12 \\ &2x(x-4) + 3(x-4) \\ &\boxed{(2x+3)(x-4)} \end{aligned}$$

285. Find and correct any errors in the following multiplication.

$$\begin{aligned} &(x^2 + 2)^2 \\ &= x^2 + 4 \\ &(x^2 + 2)(x^2 + 2) \\ &x^4 + 2x + 2x^2 + 4 \\ &\boxed{x^4 + 4x + 4} \end{aligned}$$



282. When asked to factor the following polynomial, Timmy was a little unsure where to start.

Factor:  $10x + 5 + 2xy + y$

What type of factoring could you tell him to perform to help him along?

Factor By Grouping

284. Explain why

$$3x^2 - 17x + 10 \neq (3x + 1)(x + 10)$$

$$3x^2 - 17x + 10 \neq 3x^2 + 30x + x + 10$$

$$3x^2 - 17x + 10 \neq 3x + 31x + 10$$

286. Explain why it is uncommon to use algebra tiles to multiply the following

$$(x + 1)^3$$

b/c you are multiplying 3 things

287. Multiply the expression above. (expressions) together.

$$(x+1)(x+1)(x+1)$$

$$(x^2 + x + x + 1)(x+1)$$

$$(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x+1)$$

$$x^3 + 2x^2 + x + x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$\boxed{x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1}$$



## ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

### Solving Quadratic Equations:

One of two methods will be used depending on the equation.

#### Isolating the variable in one place:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solve. } x^2 - 25 &= 0 \\ x^2 &= 25 \\ x &= 5 \text{ or } -5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solve. } 3x^2 - 12 &= 0 \\ 3x^2 &= 12 \\ x^2 &= 4 \\ x &= 2 \text{ or } -2 \end{aligned}$$

We can only isolate the variable when there are not  $x$  terms as well as  $x^2$  terms.

#### ZERO PRODUCT RULE

For two terms to have a product equal to zero, one or both must be equal to zero.

#### Solve by factoring with the zero product rule:

With quadratic equations like  $x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$ , we cannot isolate the variable because  $x$  and  $x^2$  cannot be combined.

We must factor the polynomial.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 7x + 12 &= 0 \\ (x + 3)(x + 4) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = -3 \text{ or } -4$$

Factor.

Think... what would make the left side equal to 0.

Use the *zero product rule*.

If  $x = -3$  or  $x = -4$ , the entire left side would equal 0.

$$\text{Solve. } 2x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0$$

$$(2x + 3)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$x = -2 \text{ or } -\frac{3}{2}$$

Solve the following quadratic equations.

$$288. x^2 = 36$$

$$289. 4x^2 - 64 = 0$$

$$290. 4x^2 = 9$$

$$291. 8x^2 = 49 + x^2$$

$$292. x^2 + x = 56$$

$$293. x^2 - 4x - 21 = 0$$

$$294. 4x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0$$

$$295. 3n^2 - 11n + 6 = 0$$

$$296. a^2 - b^2 = 0$$

## Long Division of Polynomials:

Eg.1  $(x^2 + 8x + 15) \div (x + 3)$

$$x + 3 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} x^2 + 8x + 15 \\ \underline{x^2 + 3x} \phantom{+ 15} \end{array}}$$

Divide the first term in the polynomial by the first term in the divisor.  
Write your answer above the polynomial, then expand to get to your next Step.

$$x + 3 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} x^2 + 8x + 15 \\ \underline{x^2 + 3x} \phantom{+ 15} \\ 5x + 15 \end{array}}$$

Subtract the newly expanded expression from the two terms above it.  
And bring down the 15 from above.

$$x + 3 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} x^2 + 8x + 15 \\ \underline{x^2 + 3x} \phantom{+ 15} \\ 5x + 15 \\ \underline{5x + 15} \\ 0 \end{array}}$$

Divide the first term in  $5x + 15$  by the first term in the divisor  $x + 3$ .  
Write your answer (5) above the polynomial, then expand, subtract to get the remainder of 0.

Remainder is 0.

This means that  $(x^2 + 8x + 15) = (x + 3)(x + 5)$

In the form  $P = DQ + R$

Or  $\frac{(x^2 + 8x + 15)}{(x + 3)} = (x + 5) + \frac{0}{x + 3}$

In the form  $\frac{P}{D} = Q + \frac{R}{D}$

Eg.2  $(2x^2 + 7x + 5) \div (x + 1)$

$$x + 1 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + 7x + 5 \\ \underline{2x^2 + 2x} \phantom{+ 5} \\ 5x + 5 \\ \underline{5x + 5} \\ 0 \end{array}}$$

Eg.3  $(6x^3 - x^2 - 11x + 9) \div (2x - 1)$

$$2x - 1 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} 3x^2 + x - 5 \\ 6x^3 - x^2 - 11x + 9 \\ \underline{6x^3 - 3x^2} \phantom{+ 9} \\ 2x^2 - 11x + 9 \\ \underline{2x^2 - 1x} \phantom{+ 9} \\ -10x + 9 \\ \underline{-10x + 5} \\ 4 \end{array}}$$

**Solution:**  $(6x^3 - x^2 - 11x + 9) = (2x - 1)(3x^2 + x - 5) + 4$

Perform the following divisions. Answer in  $P = DQ + R$  or  $\frac{P}{D} = Q + \frac{R}{D}$  form.

$$297. (x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 2) \div (x + 1)$$

$$298. (t^3 + 3t^2 - 5t - 4) \div (t + 4)$$

$$299. (m^3 + 2m^2 - m - 4) \div (m + 1)$$

$$300. (x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 8) \div (x - 4)$$

$$301. (m^3 + 3m^2 - 4) \div (m + 2)$$

$$302. (a^3 - 3a + 6) \div (a + 1)$$

You will need to insert "0m" into this polynomial before you divide!

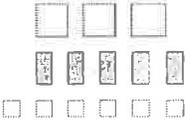
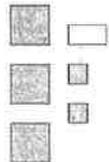
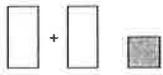
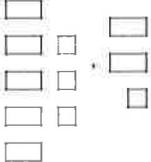
303.  $(n^3 + 2n^2 - n - 2) \div (n^2 - 1)$

304.  $(6r^2 - 25r + 14) \div (3r - 2)$

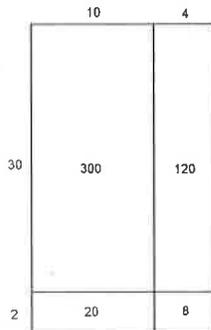
305.  $(12s^3 + 3s^2 - 20s - 5) \div (3s^2 - 5)$

306.  $(4y^2 - 29) \div (2y - 5)$

Answers:

1. 5,-7
2. 13
3. x, y
4. no, negative exponent
5. yes
6. no, negative exponent
7. no, exponent not a whole number
8. yes
9. no, exponent not a whole number
10. 1, binomial
11. 3, trinomial
12. 7, polynomial
13. 0, monomial
14. Many possibilities
15. Many possibilities
16.  $5x$
17.  $-3x^2$
18.  $x^2 + 3x + 4$
19.  $-4x^2 - 2x - 3$
20.  $3x^2 + 3x + 4$
21. 
22. 
23. The two terms cancel each other, resulting in a sum of 0.
24. The two expressions cancel each other, resulting in a sum of 0.
25. 0
26.  $-x^2 + x - 1$
27. 
28. 
29.  $-3x + 4$
30.  $-x^2 + 5x + 2$
31. 0
32. 0
33. 

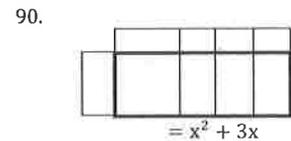
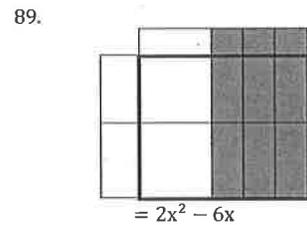
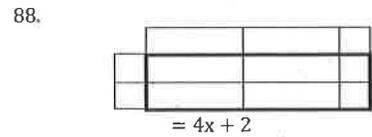
34. You cannot subtract / take away, or cancel the "negative-x" tile from the first expression because there was not one there. The same problem arises with the "+2".
35. Raj added "zero" in the form of opposite tiles so that he could then subtract the  $(-x + 2)$  from the first expression.
36.  $7x - 6$
37.  $5x^2 + 5x - 8$
38.  $x^2 - 4x - 8$
39. Same shape.
40. Same letter, same exponent (degree).
41.  $-9x + 9y, -45$
42.  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 6, 30$
43.  $11x^2y^3 - 5, -797$
44.  $6x + 17$
45.  $12a + 4b$
46.  $4x + 4$
47.  $7a$
48.  $12x - 5y$
49.  $19a - 3b$
50.  $13x^2 - x - 5$
51.  $-2m^2n - 2mn + n$
52.  $-y^2 + 2y - 4$
53.  $10x^2 - 6xy + 3x + 6$
54. A rectangle that is 3 by 3 has an area of 9 square units.
55. A rectangle that is 3 by 4 has an area of 12 square units.
56. 20
57. Colour one side differently. The  $(-2)$  could be shaded.
58.  $-12$
59.  $-20$
60. Both edges would be shaded to represent negatives.
61. 12
62. 20
63. 252
64.  $(30 + 2)(10 + 4)$   
 $300 + 120 + 20 + 8$   
448
65. 408
66. 252
67. =448



68. =408

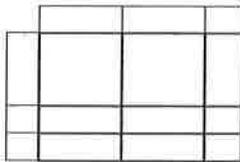
	20	4
10	200	40
7	140	28

69. 345
70. 2496
71. 5329
72.  $(4)(5) = 20$
73.  $(-3)(6) = -18$
74.  $(x)(5) = 5x$
75.  $(x)(x) = x^2$
76.  $(x)(-x) = -x^2$
77.  $(x)(2x) = 2x^2$
78.  $(3)(2x) = 6x$
79.  $(-3)(2x) = -6x$
80.  $(2)(-3x) = -6x$
81.  $\frac{6x}{x} = 6$ , length is 6 units.
82.  $\frac{6x^2}{3x} = 2x$ , length is  $2x$  units.
83.  $\frac{-6x^2}{3x} = -2x$ , length is  $-2x$  units.
84.  $(2x)(x + 1) = 2x^2 + 2x$
85.  $(2x)(-x + 1) = -2x^2 + 2x$
86.  $(2x)(x - 2) = 2x^2 - 4x$
87.  $(-2x)(x - 3) = -2x^2 + 6x$



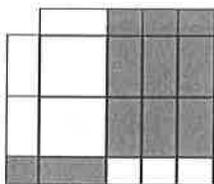
91.  $-x^2 - 3x$
92.  $-6x^2 - 9x$
93.  $\frac{x^2+3x}{x}$  or  $(x^2 + 3x) \div (x)$   
length is  $x + 3$
94.  $\frac{-x^2-3x}{x}$  or  $(-x^2 - 3x) \div (x)$   
length is  $-x - 3$

95.  $\frac{2x^2-8x}{2x}$  or  $(2x^2 - 8x) \div (2x)$   
length is  $x - 4$
96.  $2x^2 + 6x$   
 $x + 3$   
 $2x$
97.  $6x + 18$   
 $6$   
 $x + 3$
98.  $2x^2 + 3x$   
 $2x + 3$   
 $x$
99.  $6a^2b^8$
100.  $-10x^5y^8$
101.  $-12x^4$
102.  $\frac{3}{8}a^4b^3$  or  $\frac{3a^4b^3}{8}$
103.  $-5t^3$
104.  $5xz^2$
105.  $\frac{4x^2}{3y}$
106.  $-20c^4d^4$
107.  $6x^2y^2$
108.  $a$
109.  $2x^2 - 9x - 5$
110.  $2x(x + 1) = 2x^2 + 2x$
111.  $2x(2x + 1) = 4x^2 + 2x$
112.  $2x(x - 2) = 2x^2 - 4x$
113.  $-2x(x - 3) = -2x^2 + 6x$
- 114.



$= 2x^2 + 5x + 2$

115.



$= 2x^2 - 7x + 3$

116.  $4 - x^2$   
See solutions guide for area model.
117.  $-x^2 + 4x - 3$   
See solutions guide for area model.
118.  $6x^2 + 5x + 1$   
See solutions guide for area model.
119.  $A = lw$   
 $l = \frac{A}{w}$   
 $\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x + 1}$

length:  $x + 2$

120.  $\frac{2x^2+5x+2}{2x+1}$

length:  $x + 2$

121.  $\frac{4x^2-8x+3}{2x-1}$

length:  $2x - 3$

122. Area:  $x^2 + 5x + 6$

Length:  $x + 3$

Width:  $x + 2$

123. a:  $x^2 + 6x + 9$

Length:  $x + 3$

Width:  $x + 3$

124. Area:  $2x^2 + 7x + 6$

Length:  $2x + 3$

Width:  $x + 2$

125.  $x^2 - 2x - 3$

126.  $4x^2 + 4x + 1$

127.  $x^2 - 16$

128.  $x^2 - 3x - 10$

129.  $2x^2 - 5x - 3$

130.  $x^2 - 6x + 9$

131.  $x^2 + 4x + 4$

132.  $6x^2 - 3x - 3$

133.  $4x^2 - 1$

134.  $x^2 + 4x + 4$

135.  $4x^2 + 20x + 25$

136.  $x^3 + 2x^2 - 7x + 4$

137.  $x^3 - 10x^2 + 26x - 5$

138.  $6x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x - 3$

139.  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 8$

140.  $x^2 + 2x - 2x - 4$

$(x + 2)(x - 2)$

$(x + 2)(x - 2) = x^2 - 4$

141.  $x^2 + 3x - 3x - 9$

$(x + 3)(x - 3)$

$(x + 3)(x - 3) = x^2 - 9$

142.  $4x^2 + 4x - 4x - 4$

$(2x + 2)(2x - 2)$

$(2x + 2)(2x - 2) = 4x^2 - 4$

143.  $9x^2 + 12x - 12x - 16$

$(3x + 4)(3x - 4)$

$(3x + 4)(3x - 4) = 9x^2 - 16$

144.  $x^2 - 9$

145.  $4x^2 - 9$

146.  $9x^2 - 1$

147.  $x^2 - 2y$

148.  $3b^2 - 147$

149.  $-2c^2 + 50$

150.  $2x^2 + 15x + 30$

151.  $3x^2 - 11x - 38$

152.  $30t^2 - 61t + 25$

153.  $-12y^2 - 20y - 1$

154.  $3^2 \times 2$

155.  $3^2 \times 2^4$

156.  $2^6$

157.  $2^3 \times 3 = 24$

158.  $2^4 = 16$

159.  $2 \times 3^2 = 18$

160.  $5 \times 2 \times a \times a \times b$

161.  $2 \times 3 \times 3 \times a \times b \times b \times c \times c \times c$

162.  $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times b \times b \times b \times c \times c$

163.  $2ab$

164.  $6b^2c^2$

165.  $2b$

Challenge:  $5(x+2)$

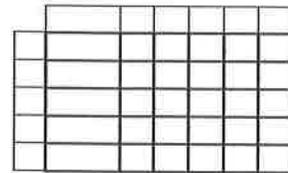
Challenge:  $3x(x^2+2x-4)$

166.  $5(x+5)$

167. Not factorable.

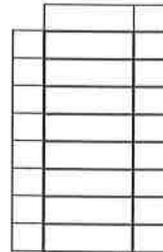
168.  $8(x+1)$

169.



170. Cannot be represented as a rectangle using the tiles we have established, therefore it is not factorable.

171.



172.  $2a(2x + 4y - 3z)$

173.  $6w^3(2w - 1)(2w + 1)$

174.  $wxy(3w^2 + 12y - 1)$

175.  $9a^2b^2(3b + 1 - 2a)$

176.  $6mn^2(m^2 + 3mn - 2 + 4n)$

177.  $(5x + 3)(a + b)$

178.  $(3m + 5)(x - 1)$

179. Not factorable

180.  $(4t + 1)(m + 7)$

181.  $(3t - 1)(x - y)$

182.  $(4y - x)(p + q)$

Challenge:  $(a + b)(c + d)$

183.  $(w + z)(x + y)$

184.  $(x + 1)(x - y)$

185.  $(x + 3)(y + 4)$

186.  $(2x + 3y)(x + 2)$

187.  $(m + 4)(m - n)$

188.  $(3a - 2b^2)(a - 3)$

Refer to solutions guide to see algebra tiles for questions 189-192.

189.  $(x + 4)(x + 2)$

190.  $(x + 7)(x + 2)$

191.  $(x - 6)(x - 1)$

192.  $(x - 1)(x + 10)$

- 193.  $(a + 5)(a + 1)$
- 194.  $(n + 5)(n + 2)$
- 195.  $(x - 6)(x + 5)$
- 196.  $(q + 5)(q - 3)$
- 197.  $(k - 7)(k + 8)$
- 198.  $(t + 8)(t + 3)$
- 199.  $(y - 10)(y + 3)$
- 200.  $(g - 10)(g - 1)$
- 201.  $(s - 10)(s + 8)$
- 202.  $(m - 3)(m - 9)$
- 203.  $(x - 9)(x + 3)$
- 204.  $(p + 9)(p - 6)$
- 205.  $2(y - 4)^2$
- 206.  $(a - 9)(a - 5)$
- 207.  $2(x + 5)(x - 2)$
- 208.  $(x^2 - 5)(x^2 + 2)$
- 209.  $(w^3 + 4)(w^3 + 3)$
- 210.  $(p^4 - 7)(p^4 + 3)$
- 211.  $x(8 - x)(7 + x)$
- 212.  $(x^2 + 16)(x^2 - 5)$
- 213. Not factorable.
- 214.  $(x - 5y)(x - y)$
- 215.  $(x + 9y)(x - 4y)$
- 216.  $(ab - 3)(ab - 2)$
- Challenge:  $(2x + 3)(x + 2)$

- 217.  $(a + 4)(2a + 3)$
- 218.  $(5a - 2)(a - 1)$
- 219.  $(3x - 2)(x - 3)$
- 220.  $(2y + 3)(y + 3)$
- 221.  $(5y + 1)(y - 3)$
- 222.  $(2x - 3)(5x - 1)$
- 223.  $(2x + 1)(x + 1)$
- 224.  $(3k - 4)(2k + 1)$
- 225.  $(2y + 3)(3y + 1)$
- 226.  $(3x + 2)(x - 6)$
- 227.  $x(3x + 1)(x - 2)$
- 228.  $(3x + 1)(3x + 4)$
- 229.  $(7x + 3)(3x + 4)$
- 230.  $x(3x - 5)(2x + 3)$
- 231.  $2(5t - 3)(t + 1)$
- 232.  $(3x - y)(x - 7y)$
- 233.  $(2c - d)(2c - d)$
- 234.  $(x^2 + 2)(2x^2 + 3)$

Challenge:

$$(x^2 - 4)$$

$$(x + 2)(x - 2)$$

$$x^2 - 4 = (x + 2)(x - 2)$$

- 235. Answered on page.
- 236.  $x^2 - 9$   
 $(x + 3)(x - 3)$   
 $x^2 - 9 = (x + 3)(x - 3)$
- 237.  $4x^2 - 4$   
 $(2x + 2)(2x - 2)$   
 $4x^2 - 4 = (2x + 2)(2x - 2)$
- 238.  $9x^2 - 16$   
 $(3x + 4)(3x - 4)$   
 $9x^2 - 16 = (3x + 4)(3x - 4)$
- 239.  $(a + 5)(a - 5)$
- 240.  $(x + 12)(x - 12)$
- 241.  $(1 + c)(1 - c)$
- 242.  $4(x + 3)(x - 3)$

Note:  
 $(2x + 6)(2x - 6)$  is not fully factored because there is GCF

that can be removed.

- 243.  $(3x + y)(3x - y)$
- 244.  $(5a^2 + 6)(5a^2 - 6)$
- 245.  $(7t + 6u)(7t - 6u)$
- 246.  $7(x + 2y)(x - 2y)$
- 247.  $-2(3a + b)(3a - b)$
- 248.  $(d^2 + 3)(d^2 - 3)$
- 249.  $(\frac{a}{3} + \frac{b}{4})(\frac{a}{3} - \frac{b}{4})$
- 250.  $(\frac{xy}{7} + 1)(\frac{xy}{7} - 1)$
- 251.  $x^2 + 4x + 4$   
 $(x + 2)(x + 2)$   
 $x^2 + 4x + 4 = (x + 2)(x + 2)$

Factored Form:  $(x + 2)^2$

- 252.  $x^2 - 3x - 3x + 9$   
 $(x - 3)(x - 3)$   
 $x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x - 3)(x - 3)$

Factored Form:  $(x - 3)^2$

- 253.  $9x^2 + 12x + 12x + 16$   
 $(3x + 4)(3x + 4)$   
 $9x^2 + 24x + 16 = (3x + 4)(3x + 4)$

Factored Form:  $(3x + 4)^2$

- 254.  $4x^2 - 2x - 2x + 1$   
 $(2x - 1)(2x - 1)$   
 $4x^2 - 4x + 1 = (2x - 1)(2x - 1)$

Factored Form:  $(2x - 1)^2$

- 255.  $(x + 7)^2$
- 256.  $(2x - 1)^2$
- 257.  $(3b - 4)^2$
- 258.  $4(4m - 1)^2$
- Careful. Look for the GCF first.
- 259.  $(9n + 5)^2$
- 260.  $(9x - 8y)^2$

- 261.  $3(a + b)(a - b)$
- 262.  $4(x + 4)(x + 3)$
- 263.  $(x^2 + 4)(x + 2)(x - 2)$
- 264.  $2(y - 4)(y + 3)$
- 265.  $4(5x^2 - 7x + 4)$
- 266.  $(m + 3)(m - 3)(m^2 + 4)$
- 267.  $(x + 1)(x - 1)(x^2 + 1)(x^4 + 1)$
- 268.  $x(x + y)(x - y)$
- 269.  $(x + 2)(x - 2)(x + 1)(x - 1)$
- 270.  $(a + b + c)(a + b - c)$
- 271.  $-4dc$
- 272.  $(m + 11)(m + 10)$
- 273.  $5(2x - 1)$
- 274.  $\pm 1, \pm 4, \pm 11$
- 275.  $\pm 8, 0, 3$
- 276.  $k = 9$
- 277.  $k = 8$
- 278. b
- 279.  $-18m^2 - 48m - 32$
- 280.  $4x^2 + 2x$

281. The second line should read  
 $10x^2 + 5x + 4x + 2$ . The simplified answer would then be  $10x^2 + 9x + 2$ .

- 282. Factor by grouping.
- 283. The first step in decomposition should have read  
 $2x^2 - 8x + 3x - 12$   
 $2x(x - 4) + 3(x - 4)$   
 $(2x + 3)(x - 4)$
- 284. If we expand the two binomials, the middle term will not equal  $-17$ .
- 285.  $(x^2 + 2)(x^2 + 2)$   
 $x^4 + 2x^2 + 2x^2 + 4$   
 $x^4 + 4x^2 + 4$
- 286. We would need to describe the tiles in 3-dimensions.
- 287.  $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$

Additional Material:

- 288.  $x = \pm 6$
- 289.  $x = \pm 4$
- 290.  $x = \pm \frac{3}{2}$
- 291.  $x = \pm \sqrt{7}$
- 292.  $x = -8$  or 7
- 293.  $x = -3$  or 7
- 294.  $x = \frac{3}{2}$
- 295.  $n = 3$  or  $\frac{2}{3}$
- 296.  $a = b$  or  $a = -b$
- 297.  $x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 2 = (x + 1)(x^2 + x + 2)$
- 298.  $t^3 + 3t^2 - 5t - 4 = (t + 4)(t^2 - t - 1)$
- 299.  $m^3 + 2m^2 - m - 4 = (m + 1)(m^2 + m - 2) - 2$
- 300.  $x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 8 = (x - 4)(x^2 - 2)$
- 301.  $m^3 + 3m^2 - 4 = (m + 2)(m^2 + m - 2)$
- 302.  $a^3 - 3a + 6 = (a + 1)(a^2 - a + 2) + 8$
- 303.  $n^3 + 2n^2 - n - 2 = (n^2 - 1)(n + 2)$
- 304.  $6r^2 - 25r + 14 = (3r - 2)(2r - 7)$
- 305.  $12s^3 + 3s^2 - 20s - 5 = (3s^2 - 5)(4s + 1)$
- 306.  $4y^2 - 29 = (2y - 5)(2y + 5) - 4$