

1) Expand

a) $(x - 4)(x + 4)$

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

$$= x^2 - 16$$

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

$$= (3y)^2 - (2)^2$$


$$= 9y^2 - 4$$

c) $(5x - 1)(5x + 1)$

$$= (5x)^2 - (1)^2$$

$$= 25x^2 - 1$$


d) $(x + 4)^2$

$$= (x+4)(x+4)$$


$$= x^2 + 4x + 4x + 16$$

$$= x^2 + 8x + 16$$

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

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


$$= 9x^2 + 6x + 6x + 4$$

$$= 9x^2 + 12x + 4$$

f) $(3x + 7y)^2$

$$= (3x+7y)(3x+7y)$$

$$= 9x^2 + 21xy + 21xy + 49y^2$$

$$= 9x^2 + 42xy + 49y^2$$

2) Factor

a) $x^2 - 25$

$$= (x)^2 - (5)^2$$

$$= (x-5)(x+5)$$

b) $y^2 - 49$

$$= (y)^2 - (7)^2$$

$$= (y-7)(y+7)$$

c) $9k^2 - 1$

$$= (3k)^2 - (1)^2$$

$$= (3k-1)(3k+1)$$

d) $16k^2 - 49$

$$= (4k)^2 - (7)^2$$

$$= (4k-7)(4k+7)$$

e) $25w^2 - 36$

$$= (5w)^2 - (6)^2$$

$$= (5w-6)(5w+6)$$

f) $4 - 9w^2$

$$= (2)^2 - (3w)^2$$

$$= (2-3w)(2+3w)$$

3) Factor

a) $x^2 - y^2$

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

b) $36x^2 - y^2$

$$= (6x)^2 - (y)^2 \\ = (6x-y)(6x+y)$$

c) $25r^2 - 36s^2$

$$= (5r)^2 - (6s)^2 \\ = (5r-6s)(5r+6s)$$

d) $144r^2 - 49s^2$

$$= (12r)^2 - (7s)^2 \\ = (12r-7s)(12r+7s)$$

e) $121x^2 - 9y^2$

$$= (11x)^2 - (3y)^2 \\ = (11x-3y)(11x+3y)$$

f) $100r^2 - 81s^2$

$$= (10r)^2 - (9s)^2 \\ = (10r-9s)(10r+9s)$$

4) Factor

a) $x^2 + 14x + 49$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{7} \times \underline{7} = 49 \\ \underline{7} + \underline{7} = 14 \\ = (x+7)(x+7) \\ = (x+7)^2 \end{array}$$

b) $x^2 - 6x + 9$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{-3} \times \underline{-3} = 9 \\ \underline{-3} + \underline{-3} = -6 \\ = (x-3)(x-3) \\ = (x-3)^2 \end{array}$$

c) $x^2 - 8x + 16$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{-4} \times \underline{-4} = 16 \\ \underline{-4} + \underline{-4} = -8 \\ = (x-4)(x-4) \\ = (x-4)^2 \end{array}$$

d) $100 - 20x + x^2$

$$\begin{array}{l} = x^2 - 20x + 100 \\ \underline{-10} \times \underline{-10} = 100 \\ \underline{-10} + \underline{-10} = -20 \\ = (x-10)(x-10) \\ = (x-10)^2 \end{array}$$

e) $4x^2 - 12xy + 9y^2$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{-6} \times \underline{-6} = 36 \\ \underline{-6} + \underline{-6} = -12 \\ = 4x^2 - 6xy - 6xy + 9y^2 \\ = 2x(2x-3y) - 3y(2x-3y) \\ = (2x-3y)(2x-3y) \\ = (2x-3y)^2 \end{array}$$

f) $49x^2 + 56xy + 16y^2$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{7} \times \underline{7} = 49 \\ \underline{7} + \underline{7} = 14 \\ = 49x^2 + 28xy + 28xy + 16y^2 \\ = 7x(7x+4y) + 4y(7x+4y) \\ = (7x+4y)(7x+4y) \\ = (7x+4y)^2 \end{array}$$

5) Factor if possible

a) $2a^2 + 12a + 18$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{3} \times \underline{3} = 9 \\ \underline{3} + \underline{3} = 6 \\ = 2(a^2 + 6a + 9) \\ = 2(a+3)(a+3) \\ = 2(a+3)^2 \end{array}$$

b) $25x^2 - 16y$

NOT factorable

c) $75x^2 + 210xy + 147y^2$

$$\begin{array}{l} = 3(25x^2 + 70xy + 49y^2) \\ \underline{35} \times \underline{35} = 1225 \\ \underline{35} + \underline{35} = 70 \\ = 3(25x^2 + 35xy + 35xy + 49y^2) \\ = 3[5x(5x+7y) + 7y(5x+7y)] \\ = 3(5x+7y)(5x+7y) \\ = 3(5x+7y)^2 \end{array}$$

d) $9x^3y - 16xy^3$

$$= xy(9x^2 - 16y^2)$$

$$= xy[(3x)^2 - (4y)^2]$$

$$= xy(3x-4y)(3x+4y)$$

e) $36m^2 - 96mn + 64n^2$

$$= 4(9m^2 - 24mn + 16n^2)$$

$$= 4(9m^2 - 12mn - 12mn + 16n^2)$$

$$= 4[3m(3m-4n) - 4n(3m-4n)]$$

$$= 4(3m-4n)(3m-4n)$$

$$= 4(3m-4n)^2$$

f) $20x^2 + 20xy + 5y^2$ $\frac{2}{2} \times \frac{2}{2} = 4$

$$= 5(4x^2 + 4xy + y^2)$$

$$= 5(4x^2 + 2xy + 2xy + y^2)$$

$$= 5[2x(2x+y) + y(2x+y)]$$

$$= 5(2x+y)(2x+y)$$

$$= 5(2x+y)^2$$

6) Determine the value(s) of k such that each trinomial is a perfect square.

a) $x^2 + kx + 16$

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

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

$$kx = 8x$$

$$k = \pm 8$$

b) $9x^2 + kx + 49$

$$= (3x)^2 + kx + (7)^2$$

$$kx = 2(3x)(7)$$

$$kx = 42x$$

$$k = \pm 42$$

c) $x^2 + 4x + k$

$$4x = 2(\sqrt{x^2})(\sqrt{k})$$

$$4x = 2x\sqrt{k}$$

$$2 = \sqrt{k}$$

$$k = 4$$

d) $4x^2 - 12x + k$

$$= (2x)^2 - 12x + (\sqrt{k})^2$$

$$-12x = 2(2x)(\sqrt{k})$$

$$-12x = 4x\sqrt{k}$$

$$-3 = \sqrt{k}$$

$$k = 9$$

e) $kx^2 + 40x + 16$

$$= (x\sqrt{k})^2 + 40x + (4)^2$$

$$2(x\sqrt{k})(4) = 40x$$

$$8\sqrt{k} = 40$$

$$\sqrt{k} = 5$$

$$k = 25$$

f) $kx^2 - 24xy + 9y^2$

$$= (x\sqrt{k})^2 - 24xy + (3y)^2$$

$$2(x\sqrt{k})(3y) = -24xy$$

$$6\sqrt{k} = -24$$

$$\sqrt{k} = -4$$

$$k = 16$$

7) Find an algebraic expression for the area of the shaded region in factored form

$$A = (3x+4)^2 - (x-2)^2$$

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

$$= 9x^2 + 24x + 16 - x^2 + 4x - 4$$

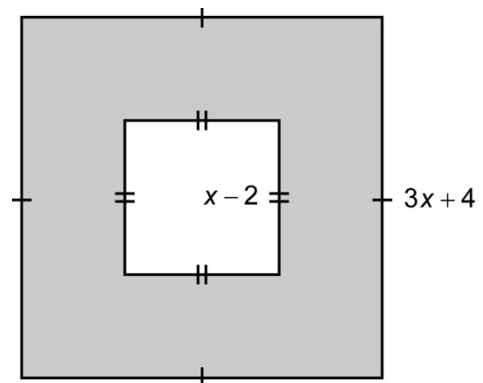
$$= 8x^2 + 28x + 12$$

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

$$= 4(2x^2 + 6x + x + 3)$$

$$= 4[2x(x+3) + 1(x+3)]$$

$$= 4(x+3)(2x+1)$$



8) The area of a volleyball court can be represented by the trinomial $2x^2 - 4x + 2$.

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{-1} \times \underline{-1} = 1 \\ \underline{-1} + \underline{-1} = -2 \end{array}$$

a) Factor the trinomial completely

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2(x^2 - 2x + 1) \\ &= 2(x^2 - x - x + 1) \\ &= 2[x(x-1) - 1(x-1)] \\ &= 2(x-1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

b) If the length of the court is twice the width, use the factors to write the expressions that represent the length and width.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2(x-1)(x-1) \\ \text{length} &= 2(x-1) \\ \text{width} &= x-1 \end{aligned}$$

c) If $x = 10$ m, what are the length and width of the court.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{length} &= 2(10-1) \\ &= 2(9) \\ &= 18 \text{ m} \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \text{width} &= 10-1 \\ &= 9 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Answers

- 1)a) $x^2 - 16$ b) $9y^2 - 4$ c) $25x^2 - 1$ d) $x^2 + 8x + 16$ e) $9x^2 + 12x + 4$ f) $9x^2 + 42xy + 49y^2$
2)a) $(x-5)(x+5)$ b) $(y-7)(y+7)$ c) $(3k-1)(3k+1)$ d) $(4k-7)(4k+7)$ e) $(5w-6)(5w+6)$ f) $(2-3w)(2+3w)$
3)a) $(x-y)(x+y)$ b) $(6x-y)(6x+y)$ c) $(5r-6s)(5r+6s)$ d) $(12r-7s)(12r+7s)$ e) $(11x-3y)(11x+3y)$
f) $(10r-9s)(10r+9s)$
4)a) $(x+7)^2$ b) $(x-3)^2$ c) $(x-4)^2$ d) $(10-x)^2$ e) $(2x-3y)^2$ f) $(7x+4y)^2$
5)a) $2(a+3)^2$ b) not possible c) $3(5x+7y)^2$ d) $xy(3x-4y)(3x+4y)$ e) $4(3m-4n)^2$ f) $5(2x+y)^2$
6)a) ± 8 b) ± 42 c) 4 d) 9 e) 25 f) 16
7) $A = 4(x+3)(2x+1)$
8)a) $2(x-1)^2$ b) $2(x-1), x-1$ c) 18m by 9m