

Factoring Trinomials

Factor each trinomial equation. Example: $x^2 - 8x + 12 = (x - 6)(x - 2)$

1. $x^2 - 12x + 36 = (x-6)(x-6)$
 $x^2 - 6x - 6x + 36$

x	x^2	$-6x$	
-6	$-6x$	36	
	x	-6	

$= -12x$

2. $x^2 + 24x + 144 = (x+12)(x+12)$
 $x^2 + 12x + 12x + 144$

	x^2	$12x$	
	$12x$	144	
	x	12	

$= 24x$

3. $x^2 - 16x - 36 = (x-18)(x+2)$
 $x^2 - 18x + 2x - 36$

x	x^2	$2x$	
-18	$-18x$	-36	
	x	2	

$= -16x$

4. $x^2 - 9x - 22 = (x-11)(x+2)$
 $x^2 - 11x + 2x - 22$

	x^2	$2x$	
	$-11x$	-22	
	x	2	

$= -9x$

5. $x^2 + 18x + 32 = (x+16)(x+2)$
 $x^2 + 16x + 2x + 32$

x	x^2	$2x$	
16	$16x$	32	
	x	2	

$= 18x$

6. $x^2 - x - 56 = (x-8)(x+7)$
 $x^2 - 8x + 7x - 56$

	x^2	$7x$	
	$-8x$	-56	
	x	7	

$= -x$

7. $6x^2 + 7x + 2 = (3x+2)(2x+1)$
 $6x^2 + 4x + 3x + 2$

3x	$6x^2$	$3x$	
2	$4x$	2	
	$2x$	1	

$= 7x$

8. $3x^2 + 2x - 16 = (3x+8)(x-2)$
 $3x^2 + 9x - 6x - 16$

3x	$3x^2$	$-6x$	
8	$8x$	-16	
	x	-2	

$= 2x$

9. $6x^2 - 5x - 4 = (3x-4)(2x+1)$
 $6x^2 - 8x + 3x - 4$

3x	$6x^2$	$3x$	
-4	$-8x$	-4	
	$2x$	1	

$= -5x$

10. $15x^2 - x - 2 = (5x-2)(3x+1)$
 $15x^2 - 6x + 5x - 2$

5x	$15x^2$	$5x$	
-2	$-6x$	-2	
	$3x$	1	

$= -x$

11. $18x^2 + 9x + 1 = (3x+1)(6x+1)$
 $18x^2 + 6x + 3x + 1$

3x	$18x^2$	$3x$	
1	$6x$	1	
	$6x$	1	

$= 9x$

12. $20x^2 + 13x + 2 = (4x+1)(5x+2)$
 $20x^2 + 5x + 8x + 2$

4x	$20x^2$	$8x$	
1	$5x$	2	
	$5x$	2	

$= 13x$

13. $5x^2 - 26x + 5 = (x-5)(5x-1)$
 $5x^2 - 25x - x + 5$

x	$5x^2$	$-x$	
-5	$-25x$	5	
	$5x$	1	

$= -26x$

14. $x^2 - 9x - 10 = (x-10)(x+1)$
 $x^2 - 10x + x - 10$

x	x^2	x	
-10	$-10x$	-10	
	x	1	

$= -9x$

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$$\underline{(x-6)(x-6)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{x^2 - 8x + 7x - 56} \\ & x(x-8) + 7(x-8) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(x-8)(x+7)}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{6x^2 + 4x + 3x + 2} \\ & 2x(3x+2) + 1(3x+2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(3x+2)(2x+1)}$$

8. $3x^2 + 2x - 16 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{3x^2 + 9x - 6x - 16} \\ & x(3x+8) - 2(3x+8) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(3x+8)(x-2)}$$

9. $6x^2 - 5x - 4 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{6x^2 - 8x + 3x - 4} \\ & 2x(3x-4) + 1(3x-4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(3x-4)(2x+1)}$$

10. $15x^2 - x - 2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{15x^2 - 6x + 5x - 2} \\ & 3x(5x-2) + 1(5x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(5x-2)(3x+1)}$$

11. $18x^2 + 9x + 1 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{18x^2 + 6x + 3x + 1} \\ & 6x(3x+1) + 1(3x+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(3x+1)(6x+1)}$$

12. $20x^2 + 13x + 2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{20x^2 + 5x + 8x + 2} \\ & 5x(4x+1) + 2(4x+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{(4x+1)(5x+2)}$$

13. $5x^2 - 26x + 5 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{5x^2 - 25x - x + 5} \\ & 5x(x-5) - 1(x-5) \end{aligned}$$

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