

Routine Factorising Practice #2

Fully factorise:

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

2. $8x + 4$

3. $x^2 + 9x + 20$

4. $x^2 + 8x + 12$

5. $4x - 8y$

6. $x^2 - 19x - 20$

7. $7x - x^2$

8. $3x + 15$

9. $6x - 9$

10. $5k + k^2$

11. $x^2 + 13x + 30$

12. $15x + 12y$

13. $2x - 10x^2$

14. $8 + 6x + x^2$

15. $x^2 + 4x + 4$

16. $6x + 18k$

17. $6x + x^2 + 5$

18. $x^2 + 2x - 24$

19. $6xy - 8x^2$

20. $p^2 + 12p + 35$

Answers: Routine Factorising Practice #2

Fully factorise:

$$1. \quad x^2 + 3x + 2 = (x + 2)(x + 1) \text{ or } (x + 1)(x + 2)$$

$$2. \quad 8x + 4 = 4(2x + 1)$$

$$3. \quad x^2 + 9x + 20 = (x + 4)(x + 5) \text{ or } (x + 5)(x + 4)$$

$$4. \quad x^2 + 8x + 12 = (x + 6)(x + 2) \text{ or } (x + 2)(x + 6)$$

$$5. \quad 4x - 8y = 4(x - 2y)$$

$$6. \quad x^2 - 19x - 20 = (x - 20)(x + 1) \text{ or } (x + 1)(x - 20)$$

$$7. \quad 7x - x^2 = x(7 - x)$$

$$8. \quad 3x + 15 = 3(x + 5)$$

$$9. \quad 6x - 9 = 3(2x - 3)$$

$$10. \quad 5k + k^2 = k(5 + k) \text{ or } k(k + 5)$$

$$11. \quad x^2 + 13x + 30 = (x + 10)(x + 3) \text{ or } (x + 3)(x + 10)$$

$$12. \quad 15x + 12y = 3(5x + 4y)$$

$$13. \quad 2x - 10x^2 = 2x(1 - 5x)$$

$$14. \quad 8 + 6x + x^2 = x^2 + 6x + 8 = (x + 2)(x + 4) \text{ or } (x + 4)(x + 2)$$

$$15. \quad x^2 + 4x + 4 = (x + 2)(x + 2) \text{ or } (x + 2)^2$$

$$16. \quad 6x + 18k = 6(x + 3k)$$

$$17. \quad 6x + x^2 + 5 = x^2 + 6x + 5 = (x + 1)(x + 5) \text{ or } (x + 5)(x + 1)$$

$$18. \quad x^2 + 2x - 24 = (x - 4)(x + 6) \text{ or } (x + 6)(x - 4)$$

$$19. \quad 6xy - 8x^2 = 2x(3y - 4x)$$

$$20. \quad p^2 + 12p + 35 = (p + 7)(p + 5) \text{ or } (p + 5)(p + 7)$$

Quadratic factors are the numbers that add to the middle term, and multiply to the end term. 2011
Although the factorisations are shown in one step, it is often better to do them in two.