

# FACTORING QUADRATICS: $x^2 + bx + c$



# LEARNING GOALS

- Discover the relationship between the coefficients and constants in a trinomial and the coefficients and constants in its factors.
- Factor quadratic expressions of the form  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a = 1$ .



# KEEP YOUR MINDS ON ...

- Remember expanding?

- $(x + 10)(x + 3)$

- $x^2 + 3x + 10x + 30$

- $x^2 + 13x + 30$

FACTORING  
IS undoing  
Expanding



# ITS MAGICAL!

Magic Number #1	Magic Number #2	Sum	Product
3	4	7	12
-2	3	1	-6
6	-8	-2	-48
-4	-2	-6	8
4	5	9	20
-2	5	3	-10
-3	1	-2	-3
-7	-3	-10	21
9	6	15	54
5	5	10	25
4	-4	0	-16



# EXAMPLES

sum product

- Factor:  $x^2 + 14x + 45 = (x+9)(x+5)$
- $x^2 - 11x + 28 = (x-7)(x-4)$
- $x^2 - x - 30 = (x-6)(x+5)$
- $x^2 + 9x - 22 = (x+11)(x-2)$
- $x^2 - 100 = (x+10)(x-10)$
- $x^2 + 12x + 36 = (x+6)(x+6)$

↑ Special cases that we'll talk about later!



# BIG IDEAS

- If a quadratic expression of the form  $x^2 + bx + c$  can be factored,
- it can be factored into two binomials,  $(x + r)$  and  $(x + s)$ , where  $r + s = b$  and  $r \times s = c$ ,  $r$  and  $s$  are integers.



# BIG IDEAS (CONTINUED)

- Sometimes you will need to common factor the trinomial first.
- For example, factor  $3x^2 - 18x - 48$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & 3x^2 - 18x - 48 \\ &= 3\left(\frac{3x^2}{3} - \frac{18x}{3} - \frac{48}{3}\right) \\ &= 3(x^2 - 6x - 16) \\ &= 3(x+2)(x-8) \end{aligned}$$



What if I get stuck?

ex)  $x^2 - 5x - 24$  ↓ use a chart

$$= (x - 8)(x + 3)$$

Factors	Sum	Prod
-2, 12	10 <sup>x</sup>	
2, -12	-10 <sup>x</sup>	
6, -4	-2	
3, -8	-5 <sup>✓</sup>	-24 <sup>✓</sup>

Check:

$$= x^2 + 3x - 8x - 24$$

$$= x^2 - 5x - 24$$



# CONSOLIDATION

$$x^2 + bx + c$$



# REINFORCEMENT

- Pages 211 – 213
  - #4 – 9, 12, 16, 19\*, 20\*

#4, 6-9, 12, 16

