

**Factor each polynomial and answer the questions that follow.**

1.  $x^2 - 7x - 18$

$$(x-9)(x+2)$$

What are the solutions to the quadratic function?

$$x = 9, -2$$

3.  $7x^2 - 31x - 20$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{-140} \\ 7x^2 + 4x - 35x - 20 \\ \cancel{4} \quad \cancel{-35} \\ x(7x+4) - 5(7x+4) \\ \cancel{x-5} \quad \cancel{7x+4} \\ (x-5)(7x+4) \end{array}$$

What are the solutions to the quadratic function?

$$x = 5 \quad x = -4/7$$

5.  $x^2 + 16x + 64$

$$(x+8)^2$$

What special type of quadratic is this?

Perfect Square Trinomial

What shortcut could you have used instead of using the diamond?

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2}\right)^2$$

7.  $8x^3 - 64x^2 + x - 8$

$$8x^2(x-8) + (x-8)$$

$$(8x^2 + 1)(x-8)$$

What method did you use to factor the cubic function?

Factor by Grouping

2.  $7x^2 + 9x$

$$x(7x+9)$$

What shortcut did you use to factor?

GCF

What are the solutions to the quadratic function?

$$x = 0, -9/7$$

4.  $28x^4 + 16x^3 - 80x^2$

$$4x^2(7x^2 + 4x - 20) \quad \cancel{-140} \quad \cancel{-10} \quad \cancel{14}$$

$$4x^2(7x^2 - 10x + 14x - 20)$$

$$4x^2(x(7x-10) + 2(7x-10))$$

$$4x^2(x+2)(7x-10)$$

What should you do before using the diamond?

Factor out GCF

6.  $9x^2 - 1$

$$(3x-1)(3x+1)$$

What special type of quadratic is this?

Difference of Two Squares

What shortcut could you have used instead of using the diamond?

$$(\sqrt{a}x + \sqrt{c})(\sqrt{a}x - \sqrt{c})$$

8.  $x^4 - 7x^2 - 8$

$$x^4 - 8x^2 + x^2 - 8 \quad \cancel{-8} \quad \cancel{-8}$$

$$x^2(x^2 - 8) + (x^2 - 8) \quad \cancel{+7}$$

$$(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 8)$$

Can you factor out a GCF?

NO

What method did you use to factor the quartic function? Diamond

Divide each polynomial. You may use long division or synthetic division.

9.  $(2x^2 - 17x - 38) \div (2x + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x = 10 \quad R = 8 \\ 2x+3 \overline{)2x^2 - 17x - 38} \\ 2x^2 + 3x \quad \downarrow \\ -20x - 38 \\ -20x - 30 \\ \hline 8 \end{array}$$

10.  $(x^3 + 7x^2 + 14x + 3) \div (x + 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x = 10 \quad R = 8 \\ 2 \overline{)1 \ 7 \ 14 \ 3} \\ \downarrow -2 \ -10 \ -8 \\ 1 \ 5 \ 4 \ -5 \\ x^2 + 5x + 4 \quad R = -5 \end{array}$$

Use the remainder theorem to evaluate each function at the given value.

11.  $f(x) = -x^3 + 6x - 7$  at  $x = 2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ 6 \ -7 \\ \downarrow 2 \ 4 \ 20 \\ 1 \ 2 \ 10 \ 13 \end{array}$$

$f(2) = 13$

12.  $x^5 - 47x^3 - 16x^2 + 8x + 52$  at  $x = 7$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ -47 \ -16 \ 8 \ 52 \\ \downarrow 7 \ 49 \ 14 \ -14 \ -42 \\ 1 \ 7 \ 2 \ -2 \ -6 \ 10 \end{array}$$

$f(7) = 10$

Perform the appropriate operation on each of the following rational expressions, simplify answers and list restrictions.

13.  $\frac{x}{x^2 - x - 30} + \frac{1}{x+5}$

$$\frac{x}{(x-6)(x+5)} + \frac{1}{x+5}$$

$$\frac{x}{(x-6)(x+5)} - \frac{1}{(x+5)} \left( \frac{x-6}{x-6} \right)$$

$$\frac{x+x-6}{(x-6)(x+5)} \left[ \frac{2x-6}{(x-6)(x+5)} \right]$$

14.  $\frac{x}{x^2 - x - 30} - \frac{1}{x+5}$

$$\frac{x - (x-6)}{(x-6)(x+5)}$$

$$x - x + 6$$

$$\frac{6}{(x-6)(x+5)}$$

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15.  $\frac{x}{x^2 - x - 30} \times \frac{1}{x+5}$

$$\frac{x}{(x-6)(x+5)(x+5)}$$

$$\frac{x}{(x-6)(x+5)^2}$$

16.  $\frac{x}{x^2 - x - 30} \div \frac{1}{x+5}$

$$\frac{x}{(x-6)(x+5)} \cdot \frac{x+5}{1}$$

$$\frac{x}{x-6}$$