

Algebra I

5-8

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Math Instructions

Solve - Get the variable on a side by itself.

Simplify - Put together Like Terms

Factor - Break apart into multiplied groups

Evaluate - Find a numeric answer

Rules of Signs

- 1) $ax^2 + bx + c \rightarrow (+)(+)$] IF 2nd sign is + then two of the 1st.
- 2) $ax^2 - bx + c \rightarrow (-)(-)$
- 3) $ax^2 + bx - c \rightarrow (+)(-)$] IF 2nd sign is -, then one of each.
- 4) $ax^2 - bx - c \rightarrow (+)(-)$

Factor.

$$1) y^2 + 5y - 6 \quad \text{16.3.2}$$

$$(y+6)(y-1)$$

$\cancel{-1y}$ $\cancel{+6y}$
+5y

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Set equal to zero and solve.

$$1) y^2 + 5y - 6 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$y = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25+24}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{49}}{2} = \frac{-5 \pm 7}{2} = \frac{2}{2} \text{ or } \frac{-12}{2}$$

$$\{1, -6\}$$

$$23) p^2 - 16pq - 36q^2$$

$$(p+2q)(p-18q)$$

$\cancel{2q}$
 $\cancel{-18q}$
 $\underline{-16q^2}$

$$29) 1 + 11pq - 80p^2q^2$$

$$(1 + 16pq)(1 - 5pq)$$

Bad
↓
 $x^2 + x - 380$

$$(x+20)(x-19)$$

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2-34 even

In addition to the above,
Set $\frac{10}{14}, \frac{12}{14}$ equal to zero
and solve.