

12-4 Solving Some Quadratics by Factoring

Warm-Up

Factor

1. $5x^3 - 20x^2 + 20x$

$$5x \overset{F}{(x^2 - 4x + 4)}$$
$$5x (x - 2)(x - 2)$$

Handwritten notes: A red arrow points from the constant term 4 to the factors -2 and -2. The numbers 1, 4 and -2, -2 are written in red above the arrow.

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Word	Definition	Example
Zero Product Property	zero times any # gives zero.	$x \cdot y = 0$ $x = 0$ or $y = 0$

How to Use the Zero Product Property to Solve Quadratics

- Is the equation in standard form? $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
- Factor - ① GCF ② (x)
- Set each factor equal to 0 and solve.

Solve

1. $r^2 - 11r - 12 = 0$

$(r+1)(r-12) = 0$

$r+1=0$
 $-1 \quad -1$
 $\hline r = -1$

$r-12=0$
 $+12 \quad +12$
 $\hline r = 12$

2. $10t^3 + 80t^2 - 200t = 0$

$10t(t^2 + 8t - 20) = 0$

$10t(t+10)(t-2) = 0$

$10t=0$
 $\frac{10}{10} \quad \frac{10}{10}$
 $\hline t = 0$

$t+10=0$
 $-10 \quad -10$
 $\hline t = -10$

$t-2=0$
 $+2 \quad +2$
 $\hline t = 2$

Assignment: 12-4 #'s ~~3~~⁴-9, 14-22, 26-28