

Standard(s)

MGSE9-12.A.SSE.2 Use the structure of an expression to rewrite it in different equivalent forms.

For example, see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$.

Day 4 – Factor Special Products

Standard(s): _____



What do you already know about the standards?

Factoring Special Products – Difference of Squares

Factoring Special Products

Review: Factor the following expressions:

a. $x^2 - 49$

$a=1$

$b=0$

$c=-49$

b. $x^2 - 25$

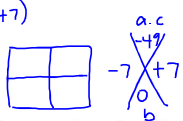
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$(x-5)(x+5)$

c. $x^2 - 81$

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



1. What do you notice about the "a" term? It is a perfect square
2. What do you notice about the "c" term? It is a perfect square
3. What do you notice about the "b" term? It is missing
4. What do you notice about the factored form? _____

Difference of Squares

Difference of Two Squares

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$$

Always subtraction

Both terms are perfect squares

Always two terms

Difference of Squares

Can you apply the "Difference of Two Squares" to the following polynomials?

a. $9x^2 - 49$ b. $9x^2 - 100$ c. $4x^2 - 25$ d. $16x^2 - 1$

$(3x+7)(3x-7)$ $(3x-10)(3x+10)$ $(2x-5)(2x+5)$ $(4x-1)(4x+1)$

e. $x^2 + 25$ f. $25x^2 - 64$ g. $36x^2 - 81$ h. $49x^2 - 9$

↑
Not a Difference
of Squares
(adding)

$(5x+8)(5x-8)$ $(6x-9)(6x+9)$ $(7x+3)(7x-3)$

Factoring Special Products – Perfect Square Trinomials

Factoring Special Products

Review: Factor the following expressions:

a. $x^2 + 8x + 16$ $a=1$ $b=8$ $c=16$ b. $x^2 - 2x + 1$ $a=1$ $b=-2$ $c=1$ c. $x^2 - 10x + 25$ $a=1$ $b=-10$ $c=25$

$(x+4)(x+4)$ $(x-1)(x-1)$ $(x-5)(x-5)$

$(x+4)^2$ $(x-1)^2$ $(x-5)^2$

↑ ↑ ↑
a·c a·c a·c
↓ ↓ ↓
b b b

1. What do you notice about the "a" term? Perfect Square
2. What do you notice about the "c" term? Perfect Square
3. What do you notice about the "b" term? _____
4. What do you notice about the factored form? _____

Perfect Square Trinomials

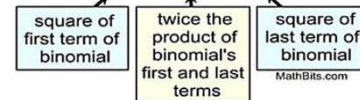
Perfect Square Trinomials

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = (a + b)^2$$

$$a^2 - 2ab + b^2 = (a - b)^2$$

Perfect Square Trinomial

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$



$$\text{binomial } (a + b)^2$$

Perfect Square Trinomials

Using the perfect square trinomial pattern, see if you can fill in the blanks below:

$$a. x^2 + \overbrace{12x}^{2(6)} + \overbrace{36}^{6^2}$$

$$(x+6)^2$$

$$b. x^2 - \overbrace{18x}^{2(9)} + \overbrace{81}^{9^2}$$

$$(x-9)^2$$

$$c. x^2 - \overbrace{16x}^{2(8)} + \overbrace{64}^{8^2}$$

$$(x-8)^2$$

$$d. x^2 + 4x + \frac{\overbrace{4}^{\frac{4}{2}}}{4}$$

$$x^2 + \boxed{4}x + 4$$

$$e. x^2 - 6x + \frac{\overbrace{9}^{\frac{6}{2}}}{9}$$

$$f. x^2 + 20x + \frac{\overbrace{100}^{\frac{20}{2}}}{100}$$