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SM2H 3.4 Factoring Differences of Squares A.SSE.2 2018-19

1. How can you tell whether a binomial is a difference of squares?

2. How can you tell if a trinomial is a perfect square trinomial?

Determine if the following is a difference of squares. If it is a difference of squares, factor it using the identity.

3. $x^2 - 1$

4. $36m^2 - 49$

5. $q^2 + 49$

6. $16x^2 + 25$

7. $81v^2 - 225y^2$

8. $x^4 - 9$

Determine if the following are perfect square trinomials. If they are perfect square trinomials, factor them using the identity.

9. $x^2 + 8x + 16$

10. $x^2 - 10x + 25$

11. $x^2 + 14x - 49$

12. $x^2 - x + 20$

13. $9x^2 + 24x + 25$

14. $25x^2 + 90x + 81$

Factor each polynomial completely. Don't forget to check for a common factor first. If the polynomial is prime, say so.

$$15. \ y^2 - 121$$

$$16. \ 2v^2 - 32$$

$$17. \ w^2 + w - 6$$

$$18. \ -8v + 12$$

$$19. \ 6x^2 - 13x + 5$$

$$20. \ -3k^2 - 24k + 60$$

$$21. \ 144 - 49t^2$$

$$22. \ 3x^2 + 75$$

$$23. \ 3x^2 + 5x - 28$$

$$24. \ v^2 - 8v + 12$$

$$25. \ 4x^2 + 19x - 30$$

$$26. \ 2t^2 - 5t + 3$$

$$27. \ 25a^2 - 121b^2$$

$$28. \ -18p^2 + 32q^2$$

$$29. \ x^4 - 81$$

Solve each equation.

$$30. \ \frac{x-8}{2x+5} = 4$$

$$31. \ -(x-16) - x = -5x$$