

Factoring Polynomials

Factor out the GCF for each polynomial, if possible.

$$1) \frac{50k^2}{10} - \frac{40}{10} = 5k^2 - 4$$

$$\text{GCF} = 10$$

$$50k^2 - 40 = 10(5k^2 - 4)$$

$$2) 40x^5 - 45x^4$$

$$3) -1 + 9b$$

$$4) 63r^3 - 35r - 70$$

$$5) 60x^4 + 36x^3 - 6x$$

Factor each trinomial.

6) $b^2 + b - 12$

7) $b^2 + 10b + 25$

	$b + 4$	<u>Factors</u>	<u>Sum</u>
b	b^2	1, -12	-11
	4	-1, 12	11
-3	-3	2, -6	-4
	-12	-2, 6	4
		3, -4	-1
		-3, 4	1 ✓

$$b^2 + b - 12 = (b - 3)(b + 4)$$

8) $k^2 + 3k - 10$

9) $x^2 - 19x + 90$

10) $n^2 - 2n - 8$

11) $a^2 + 10a + 16$

Factor each trinomial. Remember to factor out the GCF first, if possible.

$$12) \frac{6a^2}{6} - \frac{30a}{6} - \frac{84}{6} = a^2 - 5a - 14$$

$$\text{GCF} = 6$$

$$6(a^2 - 5a - 14)$$

		<u>Factors</u>	<u>Sum</u>
	$a - 7$	$1, -14$	-13
a	$\begin{array}{ c c } \hline a^2 & -7 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$-1, 14$	13
$+2$	$\begin{array}{ c c } \hline 2 & -14 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$2, -7$	$-5 \checkmark$
		$-2, 7$	5

$$6a^2 - 30a - 84 = 6(a+2)(a-7)$$

$$13) 3x^2 - 15x - 18$$

$$14) 2x^2 - 10x - 12$$

$$15) 4x^2 - 56x + 196$$

$$16) 5v^2 + 55v + 90$$