

10.2 Solving Equations By Using Square Roots.

Much like we've solved equations in the past, now we have one more operation to worry about... Square roots.

We must just remember one thing PEMDAS backward !!

Also, the square root of a positive number yields 2 results; a positive and negative written as \pm

Examples: $x^2 = 25$ $x^2 = 10$ $x^2 = 9/4$
 $x = \pm 5$ $x = \pm \sqrt{10}$ $x = \pm 3/2$

$$\begin{aligned} -16t^2 + 185 &= 0 \\ -16t^2 &= -185 \\ t^2 &= 185/16 \\ t &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{185}{16}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{185}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x-2)^2 - 9 &= 0 \\ (x-2)^2 &= 9 \\ x-2 &= \pm 3 \\ x &= 5 \text{ or } x = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 25t^2 - 144 &= 0 \\ 25t^2 &= 144 \\ t^2 &= \frac{144}{25} \\ t &= \pm \frac{12}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x-4)^2 - 81 &= 0 \\ (x-4)^2 &= 81 \\ x-4 &= \pm 9 \\ x &= 13 \text{ or } -5 \end{aligned}$$

Practice 10.2
 C.W. 1-24 E
 H.W. Pg 490 14-48 E.

10.3 Completing the Square

The purpose is to make a P.S.T

C.W. 29, 31, 33
 Pg 502
 H.W. Pg 502 20-44 E

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

1. Move constant $ax^2 + bx = -c$
2. Take $1/2$ of b , then square it.
 $ax^2 + bx + b^2/4 = -c - b^2/4$
3. Add to both sides
4. You made a P.S.T.
 a. Factor as P.S.T.
5. Solve.

Ex: ~~$x^2 - 8x + 21 = 0$~~ $x^2 - 10x + 21 = 0$
 $x^2 - 10x = -21$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 10x + 25 &= -21 + 25 \\ (x-5)^2 &= 4 & x-5 &= \pm 2 & x &= 7 \text{ or } x = 3 \end{aligned}$$