

TOPIC: The Square Root Property

- You won't always be able to **factor** to solve quadratics.

- There are **3 other methods** that you can use:

$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$	$x^2 - 5 = 0$
$(x \quad)(x \quad) = 0$	$(x \quad)(x \quad) = 0$
Factorable? [YES NO]	Factorable? [YES NO]

SOLVING QUADRATIC EQUATIONS			
$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ <i>(Standard form)</i>			
	FACTORIZING	SQUARE ROOT PROPERTY	METHOD #3
USE IF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has _____ factors OR No _____ term ($c = \underline{\quad}$) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $(x + \#)^2 = [\text{constant}]$ OR No _____ term ($b = \underline{\quad}$) 	
STEPS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Write eqn in standard form Factor completely Set factors = 0, solve for x Check solutions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> _____ squared expression Take _____ & _____ square root Solve for x (Optional) Check solutions 	METHOD #4

EXAMPLE: Solve the given quadratic equations using the square root property.

(A)

$$(x + 1)^2 = 4$$

(B)

$$4x^2 - 5 = 0$$

- Solutions aren't always whole numbers! They could have _____ and/or _____.

PRACTICE: Solve the given quadratic equation using the square root property.

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 5 = 0$$

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PRACTICE: Solve the given quadratic equation using the square root property.

$$2x^2 - 16 = 0$$

Imaginary Roots

- You may get imaginary (or complex) roots when using the square root property.
 - Simplify them as you would any complex number!

EXAMPLE: Solve the given quadratic equation using the square root property.

$$4x^2 + 25 = 0$$

SQ. ROOT PROPERTY

- 1) Isolate squared expression
- 2) Take + & – square root
- 3) Solve for x
- 4) (Optional) Check solutions

Note: When a and c have the same sign in standard form, you will *always* end up with a complex answer.