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Learning Goal 4.2	Given a quadratic equation, find the values of solution(s) by factoring, completing the square or using the quadratic formula.
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When factoring fails you ... *there are 2 other methods.*


Example Solve the following equations by completing the square.

a. $x^2 - 4x = 11$


-11 -11
 $x^2 - 4x - 11 = 0$
 $(x^2 - 4x + 4 - 4) - 11 = 0$
 $(x^2 - 4x + 4) - 4 - 11 = 0$
 $(x - 2)^2 - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow$ 
+15 +15
 $\sqrt{(x - 2)^2} = \sqrt{15}$
 $x - 2 = \pm \sqrt{15}$
+2 +2
 $x = 2 \pm \sqrt{15}$

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b. $x^2 - 21 = -10x$

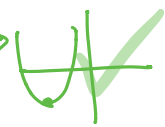
+10x +10x $(\frac{10}{2})^2 = (5)^2 = 25$
 $x^2 + 10x - 21 = 0$
 $(x^2 + 10x + 25 - 25) - 21 = 0$
 $(x^2 + 10x + 25) - 25 - 21 = 0$
 $(x + 5)^2 - 46 = 0 \Rightarrow$ 
+46 +46
 $\sqrt{(x + 5)^2} = \sqrt{46}$
 $x + 5 = \pm \sqrt{46}$
-5 -5
 $x = -5 \pm \sqrt{46}$ $\begin{matrix} 46 \\ \wedge \\ 2 \quad 23 \end{matrix}$

c. $2x^2 + 7x = -6$

+6 +6
 $2x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0 \leftarrow$ *is factorable*
 $2(x^2 + \frac{7}{2}x) + 6 = 0$ $(\frac{7}{4})^2 = \frac{49}{16}$
 $2(x^2 + \frac{7}{2}x + \frac{49}{16} - \frac{49}{16}) + 6 = 0$
 $2(x^2 + \frac{7}{2}x + \frac{49}{16}) - \frac{49}{8} + \frac{48}{8} = 0$
 $2(x + \frac{7}{4})^2 - \frac{1}{8} = 0 \Rightarrow$ 
+1/8 +1/8
 $\frac{2(x + \frac{7}{4})^2}{2} = \frac{1}{8} \div 2$
 $\sqrt{(x + \frac{7}{4})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{16}}$
 $x + \frac{7}{4} = \pm \frac{1}{4}$
 $x = -\frac{7}{4} \pm \frac{1}{4}$

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d. $2x^2 + 3x = 7$

-7 -7
 $2x^2 + 3x - 7 = 0$
 $2(x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x) - 7 = 0$ $(\frac{3}{4})^2 = \frac{9}{16}$
 $2(x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{16} - \frac{9}{16}) - 7 = 0$
 $2(x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{9}{16}) - \frac{9}{8} - \frac{56}{8} = 0$
 $2(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 - \frac{65}{8} = 0 \Rightarrow$ 
 $2(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 = \frac{65}{8}$
 $(x + \frac{3}{4})^2 = \frac{65}{16}$
 $x + \frac{3}{4} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{65}{16}}$
 $x = -\frac{3}{4} \pm \frac{\sqrt{65}}{4}$

$$x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-6}{2 \cdot 2} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-8}{4} = -2$$

Example The circular Toonie coin consists of an aluminum and bronze core and a nickel outer ring. If the radius of the inner core is 0.84 cm and the area of the circular face of the coin is 1.96π cm², what is the width of the outer ring?

↳ diameter of the coin?

$$A = \pi r^2 = 1.96\pi$$

$$\sqrt{r^2} = \sqrt{1.96}$$

$$r = \pm \sqrt{1.96}$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{\frac{196}{100}}$$

$$= \pm \frac{14}{10}$$

$$= \pm \frac{7}{5}$$



$$A = 1.96\pi$$

$$d = 2r$$

$$= 2\left(\frac{7}{5}\right)$$

$$= \frac{14}{5} \text{ cm}$$

$$= 2.8 \text{ cm}$$

$$2.8 - 0.84 = 1.96$$

The width of the outer ring is 1.96 cm.

Example A defender kicks a soccer ball away from her own goal. The path of the kicked soccer ball can be approximated by the quadratic function

$$h(x) = -0.06x^2 + 3.168x - 35.34$$

where x is the horizontal distance travelled in metres, from the goal line and h is the height.

a. How far is the soccer ball from the goal line when it is kicked?

$$h(x) = -0.06(x^2 - 52.8x) - 35.34$$

$$\left(\frac{52.8}{2}\right)^2 = 696.96$$

$$= -0.06(x^2 - 52.8x + 696.96 - 696.96) - 35.34$$

$$= -0.06(x^2 - 52.8x + 696.96) + 41.8176 - 35.34$$

$$= -0.06(x - 26.4)^2 + 6.4776 = 0$$

$$-0.06(x - 26.4)^2 = -6.4776$$

$$(x - 26.4)^2 = 107.96$$

b. How far does the soccer ball travel before it hits the ground?

$$x - 26.4 = \pm 10.39$$

$$x = 26.4 \pm 10.39$$

$$x_1 = 16.01$$

$$x_2 = 36.79$$

a. The ball is ~16 m from the goal line when it is kicked

b. The ball travels ~20.8 m before it hits the ground.