

4.5 Completing the Square Day 1

Recall: Solve by taking square roots

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{121}$$

$$x = \pm 11$$

This can be solved by taking square roots:

$$\sqrt{(x+3)^2} = \sqrt{121} \rightarrow \text{take } \sqrt{}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+3 = \pm 11 \rightarrow \text{subtract } 3 \\ -3 \quad -3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$x = -3 \pm 11 \rightarrow$ There are 2 answers here

$$x = -3 + 11 \quad \text{and} \quad x = -3 - 11$$

$$\boxed{x = 8} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{x = -14}$$

you try! $\sqrt{(x+5)^2} = \sqrt{144}$ $x = -5 + 12 = 7$

$$x+5 = \pm 12$$

$$x = -5 - 12 = -17$$

$$x = -5 \pm 12$$

$$\boxed{x = 7, -17}$$

practice: ① $(x+4)^2 = 16$

② $(x-3)^2 = 7$

③ $(x-5)^2 = -25$

④ $(x+4)^2 = -6$

⑤ $(x-10)^2 = -8$

⑥ $(x+15)^2 = 100$

Recall trinomial factoring:

$$x^2 - 8x + 16$$

$$(x-4)(x-4)$$

write as

$$(x-4)^2$$

$$(x^2 + 14x + 49)$$

$$(x+7)(x+7)$$

$$(x+7)^2$$

Solve by taking square roots

$$x^2 + 10x + 25 = 64$$

$$\sqrt{(x+5)^2} = \sqrt{64}$$

$$x+5 = \pm 8$$

$$x = 13, -3$$