

**Module 3**  
**Solve by Factoring Quiz**  
**Practice Problems**

1. Which of the following is a “Difference of *Perfect Squares*”?

- A.  $x^2 + 16$       B.  $x^2 - 10$       C.  $4x^2 + 25$       D.  $64x^2 - 121$

2. When “c” is positive in a trinomial of the form:  $ax^2 \pm bx + c$ , then the factors could have the following signs:

- A. ( + )( + )      B. ( - )( - )      C. ( + )( - )      D. ( + )( + ) or ( - )( - )

3. When “c” is negative in a trinomial of the form:  $ax^2 \pm bx + c$ , then the factors could have the following signs:

- A. ( + )( + )      B. ( - )( - )      C. ( + )( - )      D. ( + )( + ) or ( - )( - )

4. Which is the correct **FIRST** step when factoring?

- A. Set up two sets of parentheses      B. Cancel out all the x’s      C. Look for a GCF      D. make an x or a diamond

5. What are the correct factors of  $24x^2 + 2x - 15$  ?

- A.  $(4x + 5)(6x - 3)$       B.  $(4x - 5)(6x + 3)$       C.  $(4x + 3)(6x - 5)$       D.  $(4x - 3)(6x + 5)$

6. What are the correct factors of  $64x^2 - 9$  ?

- A.  $(32x + 9)(2x - 1)$       B.  $(8x + 3)(8x - 3)$       C.  $(8x - 3)^2$       D.  $(8x + 3)^2$

7. Which of the following is a factor of  $x^2 - 7x + 18$  ?

- A.  $(x - 6)$       B.  $(x - 9)$       C.  $(x - 2)$       D.  $(x - 3)$

8. Which of the following is a factor of  $x^2 - 10x - 24$  ?

- A.  $(x + 6)$       B.  $(x - 8)$       C.  $(x + 3)$       D.  $(x + 2)$

9. Which of the following is a factor of  $15x^2 + x - 2$  ?

- A.  $(5x + 2)$       B.  $(3x + 1)$       C.  $(x - 2)$       D.  $(15x - 2)$

10. Which of the following is a factor of  $4x^3 - 12x^2 - 40x$  ?

- A.  $(x + 8)$       B.  $(x + 10)$       C.  $(x + 4)$       D.  $(x + 2)$

**Factor:**

11.  $x^2 - 10x - 24$

12.  $6x^2 + 5x - 21$

13.  $16x^2 + 10x$

14.  $x^2 - 49$

15.  $3x^3 + 12x^2 - 36x$

16.  $12x^2 - 18x$

17.  $3x^2 - 300$

18.  $20x - 5x^3$

19.  $16x^2 - 26x + 3$

20.  $7x^2 + 35x - 42$

21.  $-2x^3 - 24x^2 - 22x$

22.  $4x^3 + 8x^2 + 4x$

**Solve by Factoring:**

23.  $x^2 + 9x + 8 = 0$

24.  $6x^2 - x = 1$

25.  $10x^2 - 9x - 2 = 0$