

Section 7.3

Algebra II: Square Roots and solving equations

Essential Questions:

How do I solve an equation with a square root? How many answers will I get?

The Same Way we solve equations.

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Solve the following. You need to get two answers.

$$1) x^2 = 36$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{36}$$

$$x = \sqrt{36}$$

$$x = 6 \text{ and } x = -6$$

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

$$\sqrt{36} \\ \sqrt{6 \cdot 6} \\ = 6$$

$$2) a^2 = 25$$

$$\sqrt{a^2} = \sqrt{25}$$

$$a = 5 \text{ and } a = -5 \text{ or } a = \pm 5$$

$$3) \begin{array}{r} y^2 - 7 = 57 \\ +7 \quad +7 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$y^2 = 64$$

$$\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{64}$$

$$y = \pm 8$$

$$4) x^2 + 3 = 27$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 3 = 27 \\ -3 \quad -3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x^2 = 24$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{24}$$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \sqrt{24} \\ \sqrt{4 \cdot 6} \\ \sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \\ \leftarrow \end{array}$$

$$2\sqrt{6}$$

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Find two solutions of the equation.

1) $x^2 = 64$

2) $x^2 = 81$

3) $y^2 = 9$

4) $n^2 = 49$

5) $n^2 = 121$

6) $x^2 = 144$

7) $y^2 - 1 = 35$

8) $y^2 - 5 = 20$

9) $x^2 = 12$

10) $n^2 = 10$

11) $x^2 + 2 = 8$

12) $y^2 - 7 = 20$

13) $x^2 + 5 = 23$

14) $n^2 - 2 = 40$

15) $x^2 - 1 = 3$

16) $y^2 + 5 = 21$

17) $n^2 = 40$

18) $x^2 = 56$

19) $x^2 - 1 = 75$

20) $y^2 + 3 = 80$