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QUADRATIC FORMULA: Worksheet 1

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1) $x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$

2) $x^2 + 3x + 10 = 0$

3) $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

4) $x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$

5) $-x^2 + 4x = 2$

6) $7x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

Use the quadratic formula to solve each quadratic equation. If necessary, round answers to the nearest hundredth.

7) $2x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$

8) $2x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$

9) $3x^2 + 4x = -30$

10) $5x^2 + 13x - 1 = 0$

11) $5x^2 + 16x - 84 = 0$

12) $7x^2 + 100x - 4 = 0$

Use the formula $h_o = -16t^2 + vt + h_i$ to solve the following. If necessary, round answers to the nearest hundredth.

13) Carol dove into a swimming pool from a 15 foot high diving board. Her initial upward velocity was 8 feet per second. Find the time (t) in seconds it took Carol to enter the water.

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$a = 1, b = 4, c = 3$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 4$
Solutions = 2

2) $x^2 + 3x + 10 = 0$

$a = 1, b = 3, c = 10$
 $b^2 - 4ac = -31$
Solutions = 0

3) $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

$a = 1, b = -2, c = 1$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 0$
Solutions = 1

4) $x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$

$a = 1, b = 5, c = 2$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 17$
Solutions = 2

5) $-x^2 + 4x = 2$

$-x^2 + 4x - 2 = 0$
 $a = -1, b = 4, c = -2$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 8$
Solutions = 2

6) $7x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

$a = 7, b = -2, c = 1$
 $b^2 - 4ac = -24$
Solutions = 0

Use the quadratic formula to solve each quadratic equation. If necessary, round answers to the nearest hundredth.

7) $2x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$

$a = 2, b = 4, c = -7$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(2)(-7)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{72}}{4} = \frac{-4 \pm 8.49}{4}$$

$\{1.12, -3.12\}$

8) $2x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$

$a = 2, b = 5, c = 3$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(2)(3)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{1}}{4} = \frac{-5 \pm 1}{4}$$

$\{1, -1.5\}$

9) $3x^2 + 4x = -30$

$$3x^2 + 4x + 30 = 0$$

$$a = 3, b = 4, c = 30$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(3)(30)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-344}}{6}$$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

Solutions : NONE

10) $5x^2 + 13x - 1 = 0$

$$a = 5, b = 13, c = -1$$

$$x = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{13^2 - 4(5)(-1)}}{2(5)}$$

$$x = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{189}}{10} = \frac{-13 \pm 13.75}{10}$$

{.075, -2.68}

11) $5x^2 + 16x - 84 = 0$

$$a = 5, b = 16, c = -84$$

$$x = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{16^2 - 4(5)(-84)}}{2(5)}$$

$$x = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{1936}}{10} = \frac{-16 \pm 44}{10}$$

{2.8, -6}

12) $7x^2 + 100x - 4 = 0$

$$a = 7, b = 100, c = -4$$

$$x = \frac{-100 \pm \sqrt{100^2 - 4(7)(-4)}}{2(7)}$$

$$x = \frac{-100 \pm \sqrt{10,112}}{14} = \frac{-100 \pm 100.56}{14}$$

{.04, -14.33}

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- 13) Carol dove into a swimming pool from a 15 foot high diving board. Her initial upward velocity was 8 feet per second. Find the time (t) in seconds it took Carol to enter the water.

$$0 = -16t^2 + 8t + 15$$

$$a = -16, b = 8, c = 15$$

$$t = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4(-16)(15)}}{2(-16)}$$

$$t = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{1024}}{-32} = \frac{-8 \pm 32}{-32}$$

{1.25, ~~-1.75~~}

$t = 1.25$ seconds

- 14) Jerry threw a ball upward with a starting velocity of 30 feet per second. The ball was 6 feet high when it left his hand. How many seconds (t) did it take for the ball to hit the ground?

$$0 = -16t^2 + 30t + 6$$

$$a = -16, b = 30, c = 6$$

$$t = \frac{-30 \pm \sqrt{30^2 - 4(-16)(6)}}{2(-16)}$$

$$t = \frac{-30 \pm \sqrt{1284}}{-32} = \frac{-30 \pm 35.83}{-32}$$

{2.06, ~~-1.18~~}

$t = 2.06$ seconds