

It will be seen from the exercises just completed that

- An expression of the form $x^2 + kx$ may be changed to a perfect square by adding the square of one half of k , the coefficient of x .

Exercises ^[A]

Copy and fill in the blanks.

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| 1. $a^2 + 2a + ? = (?)^2$ | 6. $n^2 - 3n + ? = (?)^2$ |
| 2. $b^2 - 2b + ? = (?)^2$ | 7. $p^2 + \frac{2}{3}p + ? = (?)^2$ |
| 3. $c^2 + c + ? = (?)^2$ | 8. $x^2 - 7x + ? = (?)^2$ |
| 4. $d^2 - d + ? = (?)^2$ | 9. $y^2 + \frac{3}{4}y + ? = (?)^2$ |
| 5. $m^2 + 3m + ? = (?)^2$ | 10. $w^2 - \frac{1}{2}w + ? = (?)^2$ |

Solve, leaving irrational answers in simplest radical form:

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| 11. $x^2 - 5 = 0$ | 18. $r^2 = 4$ |
| 12. $x^2 - 5x = 0$ | 19. $\frac{x-9}{3} = \frac{4}{x-9}$ |
| 13. $x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$ | 20. $\frac{12}{x(x-9)} = 1 - \frac{9}{x}$ |
| 14. $(x - \frac{5}{2})^2 = 16$ | 21. $(a-3)(a-1) + 1 = 2a - 1$ |
| 15. $(x - \frac{5}{2})^2 = 17$ | 22. $(a-3)(a-1) = 2a - 1$ |
| 16. $(x-2)^2 + (x-3)^2 = 13$ | |
| 17. $r^2 = 4r$ | |

- 1. 1; $a + 1$
- 2. 1; $b - 1$
- 3. $\frac{1}{4}$; $c + \frac{1}{2}$
- 4. $\frac{1}{4}$; $d - \frac{1}{2}$
- 5. $\frac{9}{4}$; $m + \frac{3}{2}$
- 6. $\frac{9}{4}$; $n - \frac{3}{2}$
- 7. $\frac{1}{9}$; $p + \frac{1}{3}$

- 8. $\frac{49}{4}$; $x - \frac{7}{2}$
- 9. $\frac{9}{64}$; $y + \frac{3}{8}$
- 10. $\frac{1}{16}$; $w - \frac{1}{4}$
- 11. $+\sqrt{5}$, $-\sqrt{5}$
- 12. 0, 5
- 13. -1, 6
- 14. $-\frac{1}{2}$, $6\frac{1}{2}$

- 15. $\frac{5}{2} \pm \sqrt{17}$
- 16. 0, 5
- 17. 0, 4
- 18. ± 2
- 19. $9 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$
- 20. $9 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$
- 21. 1, 5
- 22. $3 \pm \sqrt{5}$