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### Section 5.3 Solving Quadratic Equations by Factoring and with the Calculator DAY ONE

Find the zeros of each function by using your graphing calculator.

1.  $f(x) = -x^2 + 4x - 3$

zeros: 1, 3

2.  $g(x) = x^2 + x - 6$

zeros: -3, 2

3.  $f(x) = x^2 - 9$

zeros: 3, -3

Find the zeros of each function by FACTORING.

4.  $f(x) = x^2 + 11x + 24$

$0 = x^2 + 11x + 24$

$0 = (x+3)(x+8)$

$x+3=0 \text{ OR } x+8=0$

$x=-3$

$x=-8$

solution(s): -3, -8

5.  $g(x) = 2x^2 + x - 10$

$0 = 2x^2 + x - 10$

$0 = (2x+5)(x-2)$

$2x+5=0 \text{ OR } x-2=0$

$2x=-5$

$x = -\frac{5}{2}$

solution(s):  $-\frac{5}{2}, 2$

6.  $h(x) = -x^2 + 9x$

$0 = -x^2 + 9x$

$0 = x^2 - 9x$

$0 = x(x-9)$

$x=0$

$x-9=0$

$x=9$

solution(s): 0, 9

7.  $f(x) = x^2 - 15x + 54$

$0 = x^2 - 15x + 54$

$0 = (x-6)(x-9)$

$x-6=0 \text{ OR } x-9=0$

$x=6$

$x=9$

solution(s): 6, 9

8.  $g(x) = x^2 + 7x - 8$

$0 = x^2 + 7x - 8$

$0 = (x+8)(x-1)$

$x+8=0 \text{ OR } x-1=0$

$x=-8$

$x=1$

solution(s): -8, 1

9.  $h(x) = 2x^2 - 12x + 18$

$0 = 2x^2 - 12x + 18$

$0 = x^2 - 6x + 9$

$0 = (x-3)(x-3)$

$x-3=0$

$x=3$

solution(s): 3

10. A bald eagle snatches a fish from a lake and flies to an altitude of 256 ft. The fish manages to squirm free and falls back down into the lake. Its height  $h$ , in feet can be modeled by  $h(t) = 256 - 16t^2$ , where  $t$  is the time in seconds. How many seconds will the fish fall before hitting the water?

I want + when  $h(t) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 = 256 - 16t^2 \\ \hline 0 = +2 - 16 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 = (t-4)(t+4) \\ t-4=0 \text{ or } t+4=0 \\ t=4 \end{array}$$

+  
neg. time... nope! seconds

11.  $x^2 + 8x = -16$

$x^2 + 8x + 16 = 0$

$(x+4)(x+4) = 0$

$x+4 = 0$

solution(s): -4

12.  $36x^2 = 9$

$\underline{36x^2 - 9 = 0}$

$4x^2 - 1 = 0$

$(2x-1)(2x+1) = 0$

$2x-1=0 \quad 2x+1=0$

solution(s):  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

13.  $x^2 + 25 = 10x$

$x^2 - 10x + 25 = 0$

$(x-5)(x-5) = 0$

$x-5 = 0$

solution(s): 5

Write a quadratic function in standard form for each given set of zeros.

14. 5 and -1

$y = (x-5)(x+1)$  FOIL!

$y = x^2 - 4x - 5$

15. 6 and 2

$y = (x-6)(x-2)$  FOIL!

$y = x^2 - 8x + 12$

16. -3 and 3

$y = (x+3)(x+3)$

$y = x^2 + 6x + 9$