

Using the Quadratic Formula

Solve each equation with the quadratic formula.

1) $m^2 - 5m - 14 = 0$ $a=1$, $b=-5$, $c=-14$

$$m = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{(-5)^2 - 4(1)(-14)}}{2(1)}$$

$$m = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 56}}{2} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{81}}{2} = \frac{5 \pm 9}{2}$$

$$m = \frac{5+9}{2} = \frac{14}{2} = \boxed{7} \quad m = \frac{5-9}{2} = \frac{-4}{2} = \boxed{-2}$$

3) $2m^2 + 2m - 12 = 0$

$$m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4(2)(-12)}}{2(2)}$$

$$m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 96}}{4} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{100}}{4}$$

$$m = \frac{-2 \pm 10}{4} \rightarrow m = \frac{-2+10}{4} = \boxed{2}$$

$$m = \frac{-2-10}{4} = \boxed{-3}$$

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

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4(1)(3)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16-12}}{2} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4}}{2} = \frac{-4 \pm 2}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4+2}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = \boxed{-1}$$

$$x = \frac{-4-2}{2} = \frac{-6}{2} = \boxed{-3}$$

7) $4b^2 + 8b + 7 = 4$

$$4b^2 + 8b + 3 = 0$$

$$b = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{(8)^2 - 4(4)(3)}}{2(4)} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64-48}}{8}$$

$$b = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{16}}{8} = \frac{-8 \pm 4}{8}$$

$$b = \frac{-8+4}{8} = \frac{-4}{8} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$b = \frac{-8-4}{8} = \frac{-12}{8} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

2) $b^2 - 4b + 4 = 0$

$$b = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2(1)} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-16}}{2}$$

$$b = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = \boxed{2}$$

4) $2x^2 - 3x - 5 = 0$

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

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9+40}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{49}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm 7}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{3+7}{4} = \frac{10}{4} = \boxed{\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$x = \frac{3-7}{4} = \frac{-4}{4} = \boxed{-1}$$

6) $2x^2 + 3x - 20 = 0$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{(3)^2 - 4(2)(-20)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9+160}}{4} = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{169}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm 13}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-3+13}{4} = \frac{10}{4} = \boxed{\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$x = \frac{-3-13}{4} = \frac{-16}{4} = \boxed{-4}$$

8) $2m^2 - 7m - 13 = -10$

$$2m^2 - 7m - 3 = 0$$

$$m = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2(2)}$$

$$m = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49+24}}{4} = \boxed{\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{73}}{4}}$$

$$9) 2x^2 - 3x - 15 = 5$$

$$2x^2 - 3x - 20 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-20)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 160}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{169}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm 13}{4}$$

$$11) 2k^2 + 9k = -7$$

$$2k^2 + 9k + 7 = 0$$

$$k = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{9^2 - 4(2)(7)}}{2(2)}$$

$$k = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 56}}{4} = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{25}}{4} = \frac{-9 \pm 5}{4}$$

$$13) 2x^2 - 36 = x$$

$$2x^2 - x - 36 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(2)(-36)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 288}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{289}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm 17}{4}$$

$$15) k^2 - 31 - 2k = -6 - 3k^2 - 2k$$

$$4k^2 - 25 = 0$$

$$k = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{(0)^2 - 4(4)(-25)}}{2(4)}$$

$$k = \frac{\pm \sqrt{400}}{8} = \frac{\pm 20}{8} = \frac{\pm 5}{2}$$

$$17) 8n^2 + 4n - 16 = -n^2$$

$$9n^2 + 4n - 16 = 0$$

$$n = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4(9)(-16)}}{2(9)}$$

$$n = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 576}}{18} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{592}}{18}$$

$$n = \frac{4 \pm 4\sqrt{37}}{18} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{37}}{9}$$

$$10) x^2 + 2x - 1 = 2$$

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

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4(1)(-3)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 12}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 4}{2} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{-2+4}{2} = 1 \\ x = \frac{-2-4}{2} = -3 \end{cases}$$

$$12) 5r^2 = 80$$

$$5r^2 - 80 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{(0)^2 - 4(5)(-80)}}{2(5)} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{1600}}{10}$$

$$r = \frac{\pm 40}{10} = \pm 4$$

$$14) 5x^2 + 9x = -4$$

$$5x^2 + 9x + 4 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{(9)^2 - 4(5)(4)}}{2(5)} = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 80}}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{-9 \pm 1}{10} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{-9+1}{10} = \frac{-8}{10} = \frac{-4}{5} \\ \frac{-9-1}{10} = \frac{-10}{10} = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$16) 9n^2 = 4 + 7n$$

$$9n^2 - 7n - 4 = 0$$

$$n = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(9)(-4)}}{2(9)} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 144}}{18}$$

$$n = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{193}}{18}$$

$$18) 8n^2 + 7n - 15 = -7$$

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

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{(7)^2 - 4(8)(-8)}}{2(8)} = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 256}}{16}$$

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{305}}{16}$$