

Factoring Trinomials Notes ($a \neq 1$)

3 Terms $a > 1$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $ax^2 + bx + c$ "X group" <p>Step 1: Mult. "a" (1st #) & "c" (last #)</p> <p>Step 2: Find the factors of ac that +/- to equal "b"</p> <p>Step 3: rewrite problem replacing bx (middle term) with the factors that you found in the box</p> <p>Step 4: Draw a line to group the 1st two terms and the last 2 terms $ax + bx + ay + by$</p> <p>Step 5: Factor by GCF for each pair (see above) $x(a + b) + y(a + b)$</p> <p>Step 6: Put #/variables in front of parenthesis together and the common factor together as is for final factors $(x + y)(a + b)$</p>	Example: $8x^2 + 47x - 63$
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1. $2x^2 + 17x + 30$

p: 60

s: 17

$$(2x^2 + 12x)(+ 5x + 30)$$

$$2x(x+6) + 5(x+6)$$

$$(2x+5)(x+6)$$

2. $6x^2 - 37x + 35$

p: 210

s: -37

$$(6x^2 - 30x)(-7x + 35)$$

$$6x(x-5) - 7(x-5)$$

$$(6x-7)(x-5)$$

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3. $4x^2 - 17x - 15$

p: -60

s: -17

$$(4x^2 - 20x)(+3x - 15)$$

$$4x(x-5) + 3(x-5)$$

$$(4x+3)(x-5)$$

4. $8x^2 + 49x - 49$

p: -392

s: 49

$$(8x^2 + 56x)(-7x - 49)$$

$$8x(x+7) - 7(x+7)$$

$$(8x-7)(x+7)$$

5. $7t^2 - 66t + 27$

p: 189

s: -66

$$(7t^2 - 63t)(-3t + 27)$$

$$7t(t-9) - 3(t-9)$$

$$(7t-3)(t-9)$$

6. $2r^2 + r - 10$

p: -20

s: 1

$$(2r^2 - 4r)(+5r - 10)$$

$$2r(r-2) + 5(r-2)$$

$$(2r+5)(r-2)$$

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