

1. Solve using the square root property:  $(3x - 2)^2 = 25$

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$$3x - 2 = \pm\sqrt{25}$$

$$3x - 2 = \pm\sqrt{5 \cdot 5}$$

$$3x - 2 = \pm 5$$

$$3x = 2 \pm 5$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{2 \pm 5}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm 5}{3}$$

*then*

$$x = \frac{2+5}{3} \quad x = \frac{2-5}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{3} \quad x = \frac{-3}{3}$$

$$x = -1$$

2. Solve using the square root property:  $(7x - 1)^2 = 32$

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$$7x - 1 = \pm\sqrt{32}$$

$$7x - 1 = \pm\sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$$

$$7x - 1 = \pm 2 \cdot 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$7x - 1 = \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$7x = 1 \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{7x}{7} = \frac{1 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

3. Solve using the square root property:  $-5(2x+3)^2 = 125$

$$-5(2x+3)^2 = 125$$

$$\frac{-5(2x+3)^2}{-5} = \frac{125}{-5}$$

$$(2x+3)^2 = -25$$

$$2x+3 = \pm\sqrt{-25}$$

$$2x+3 = \pm\sqrt{-1 \cdot 5 \cdot 5}$$

$$2x+3 = \pm 5i$$

$$2x = -3 \pm 5i$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-3}{2} \pm \frac{5}{2}i$$

$$x = \frac{-3}{2} \pm \frac{5}{2}i$$

4. Solve using completing the square:  $x^2 - 10x + 2 = 0$

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$$x^2 - 10x = -2$$

$$\text{then } \left(-10 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = (-5)^2 = 25$$

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

$$x^2 - 10x + 25 = 23$$

$$(x-5)^2 = 23$$

$$x-5 = \pm\sqrt{23}$$

$$x = 5 \pm \sqrt{23}$$

5. Solve using completing the square:  $x^2 + 8x - 1 = 0$

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$$x^2 + 8x = 1$$

$$\text{then } \left(8 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = (4)^2 = 16$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = 1 + 16$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = 17$$

$$(x + 4)^2 = 17$$

$$x + 4 = \pm\sqrt{17}$$

$$x = -4 \pm \sqrt{17}$$

6. Solve using the quadratic formula:  $x^2 + 4x + 7 = 0$

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$$a = 1, b = 4, c = 7$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(4) \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4(1)(7)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 28}}{2}$$

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

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 2i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4}{2} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$= -2 \pm \sqrt{3}i$$

7. Solve using the quadratic formula:  $x^2 - x + 8 = 0$

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$$a = 1, b = -1, c = 8$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(8)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 32}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-31}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{31}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{31}}{2}i$$

8. Solve using the quadratic formula:  $6x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$

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$$a = 6, b = -2, c = 3$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(6)(3)}}{2(6)}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 72}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-68}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 17}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm 2i\sqrt{17}}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{12} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{17}}{12}i$$

$$x = \frac{1}{6} \pm \frac{\sqrt{17}}{6}i$$

9. Solve using the u-substitution:  $x^4 - 9x^2 + 20 = 0$

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$$u^2 - 9u + 20 = 0$$

$$(u - 4)(u - 5) = 0 \quad (PSD)$$

then

$$u - 4 = 0 \quad u - 5 = 0$$

$$u = 4 \quad u = 5$$

$$x^2 = 4 \quad x^2 = 5$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{4} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{5}$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

10. Solve using the u-substitution:  $x^4 + 8x^2 - 20 = 0$

$$x^4 + 8x^2 - 20 = 0$$

$$u^2 + 8u - 20 = 0$$

$$(u + 10)(u - 2) = 0 \quad (PSD)$$

then

$$u + 10 = 0 \quad u - 2 = 0$$

$$u = -10 \quad u = 2$$

$$x^2 = -10 \quad x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{-10} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$x = \pm i\sqrt{10}$$