

**Algebra 2**  
**4-4a Factoring Quadratics**

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**Goal:** Use the distributive property to multiply and factor polynomials



**Warm Up:** Simplify each expression.

1.  $-3(4x + 3)$       2.  $2x(x - 4)$       3.  $(-2a + 12)(-3a)$       4.  $-11x(-3x - 7)$

**Vocabulary**

Factor: (n) \_\_\_\_\_ Ex: What are the factors of 12?  
(v) \_\_\_\_\_ Ex: Factor  $2x + 4$ .

Greatest Common Factor (GCF):

- a. 12, 36      b.  $15x, 20x$       c.  $-24x^2, -16x$

**Example 1:** Factor each expression completely.

- a.  $14m^2 - 7m$       b.  $48x^2 - 24x + 36$       c.  $9x^2 + 18$

**Practice:** Factor each expression completely.

1.  $6x^2 - 9$       2.  $16m^2 + 8m$       3.  $2a^2 + 22a + 60$       4.  $5x^2 + 25x - 70$

5.  $\frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x - 4$       6.  $-7x^2 + 7x + 14$       7.  $-3x^2 - 3x + 60$       8.  $-5xy^2 - 30xy - 25x$

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**Example 2: Distributive Property Extended:** Simplify the expression  $(3x - 4)(x + 5)$

Box Method	Double Distribution	FOIL
$(3x - 4)(x + 5)$	$(3x - 4)(x + 5)$	$(3x - 4)(x + 5)$

**Practice:** Simplify each expression.

9.  $(3a - 4)(2a - 4)$

10.  $(x - 3)(x + 7)$

11.  $(x + 3)(x - 3)$

12.  $(x + 10)(x - 10)$

13.  $(x + 3)^2$

14.  $(x - 9)^2$

15.  $(4x + 3)(x - 3)$

16.  $(-2x + 5)(3x - 3)$

17.  $(3a + 12)(2a - 3)$

18.  $(4x + 3)^2$

19.  $(4x - 5)(4x + 5)$

20.  $(3a + 12)^2$