

Practice Challenge - Subjective

Subject: Mathematics

Topic : Quadratic Equations Exam
Prep 1

Class: X

- Find the roots of the equation $5x^2 - 6x - 2 = 0$ by the method of completing the square.

[3 MARKS]

Concept : 1 Mark

Application : 2 Marks

We have, $5x^2 - 6x - 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{6}{5}x - \frac{2}{5} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{6}{5}x = \frac{2}{5} \quad [\text{Dividing throughout by 5}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)x + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{2}{5} + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2$$

[Adding $\left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^2$ on both sides]

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{19}{25}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{3}{5} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{19}}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{19}}{5} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{19}}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3 + \sqrt{19}}{5} \text{ or } x = \frac{3 - \sqrt{19}}{5}$$

Hence, the roots of the given equation are $\frac{3 + \sqrt{19}}{5}$ and $\frac{3 - \sqrt{19}}{5}$

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2. Using quadratic formula solve the following quadratic equation: [3 MARKS]

$$p^2x^2 + (p^2 - q^2)x - q^2 = 0, p \neq 0$$

Concept: 1 Mark

Application: 2 Marks

We have, $p^2x^2 + (p^2 - q^2)x - q^2 = 0, p \neq 0$

Comparing this equation with $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, we have

$$a = p^2, b = p^2 - q^2 \text{ and } c = -q^2$$

$$\therefore D = b^2 - 4ac = (p^2 - q^2)^2 - 4 \times p^2 \times -q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow D = (p^2 - q^2)^2 + 4p^2q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow D = (p^2 + q^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow D > 0$$

So, the given equation has real roots given by

$$\alpha = \frac{-b + \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(p^2 - q^2) + (p^2 + q^2)}{2p^2} = \frac{q^2}{p^2}$$

$$\text{and, } \beta = \frac{-b - \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(p^2 - q^2) - (p^2 + q^2)}{2p^2} = -1$$

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3. Find the values of k for which the given equation has real and equal roots:
[3 MARKS]

$$x^2 - 2x(1 + 3k) + 7(3 + 2k) = 0$$

Formula: 1 Mark

Steps: 1 Mark

Answer: 1 Mark

The given equation is $x^2 - 2x(1 + 3k) + 7(3 + 2k) = 0$

Here, $a = 1$, $b = -2(1 + 3k)$ and $c = 7(3 + 2k)$

$$\therefore D = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4(3k + 1)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 7(3 + 2k)$$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4(9k^2 + 6k + 1 - 21 - 14k)$$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4(9k^2 - 8k - 20)$$

The given equation will have equal roots, if

$$D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(9k^2 - 8k - 20) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9k^2 - 8k - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9k^2 - 18k + 10k - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (k - 2)(9k + 10) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - 2 = 0 \text{ or, } 9k + 10 = 0 \Rightarrow k = 2 \text{ or, } k = -\frac{10}{9}$$

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4. Solve the following quadratic equations by factorization method: [4 MARKS]

$$4x^2 - 4ax + (a^2 - b^2) = 0$$

Concept : 1 Mark

Application : 1 Mark

Calculation : 2 Marks

We have,

$$4x^2 - 4ax + (a^2 - b^2) = 0$$

$$\text{Here, Constant term} = (a^2 - b^2) = (a - b)(a + b)$$

$$\text{and, coefficient of middle term} = -4a$$

$$\text{Also, Coefficient of the middle term } -4a = -\{2(a + b) + 2(a - b)\}$$

$$\therefore 4x^2 - 4ax + (a^2 - b^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - \{2(a + b) + 2(a - b)\}x + (a + b)(a - b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 2(a + b)x - 2(a - b)x + (a + b)(a - b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \{4x^2 - 2(a + b)x\} - \{2(a - b)x - (a + b)(a - b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x\{2x - (a + b)\} - (a - b)\{2x - (a + b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \{2x - (a + b)\}\{2x - (a - b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \{2x - (a + b)\} = 0 \text{ or, } \{2x - (a - b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = a + b \text{ or, } 2x = a - b \Rightarrow x = \frac{a+b}{2} \text{ or, } x = \frac{a-b}{2}$$

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5. Find the values of k for which the following equation has equal roots: [4 MARKS]

$$(k - 12)x^2 + 2(k - 12)x + 2 = 0$$

Concept: 1 Mark

Steps: 2 Marks

Answer: 1 Mark

We have,

$$(k - 12)x^2 + 2(k - 12)x + 2 = 0$$

Here, $a = k - 12$, $b = 2(k - 12)$ and $c = 2$

$$\therefore D = b^2 - 4ac = 4(k - 12)^2 - 4(k - 12) \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4(k - 12)\{(k - 12) - 2\}$$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4(k - 12)(k - 14)$$

The given equation will have equal roots, if

$$D = 0 \Rightarrow 4(k - 12)(k - 14) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - 12 = 0 \text{ or, } k - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 12 \text{ or, } k = 14$$

But, if $k = 12$, then the given equation will not be quadratic.
Hence, $k = 14$ is the only solution.

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6. A plane left 30 minutes later than the schedule time and in order to reach its destination 1500 km away in time it has to increase its speed by 250 km/hr from its usual speed. Find its usual speed. [4 MARKS]

Framing the equation: 1 Mark

Steps: 2 Marks

Answer: 1 Mark

Let the usual speed of the plane be x km/hr. Then,

Time taken to cover 1500 km with the usual speed = $\frac{1500}{x}$ hrs

Time taken to cover 1500 m with the speed of $(x + 250)$ km/hr = $\frac{1500}{x+250}$

$$\therefore \frac{1500}{x} = \frac{1500}{x+250} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1500}{x} - \frac{1500}{x+250} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1500x + 1500 \times 250 - 1500x}{x(x+250)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1500 \times 250}{x^2 + 250x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 750000 = x^2 + 250x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 250x - 750000 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1000x - 750x - 750000 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + 1000)(x - 750) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1000 \text{ or, } x = 750 \Rightarrow x = 750 \quad [\because \text{speed cannot be negative}]$$

Hence, the usual speed of the plane is 750 km/hr.

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7. Divide 16 into two parts such that twice the square of the larger part exceeds the square of the smaller part by 164.

Let x and $(16 - x)$ are two parts of 16 where $(16 - x)$ is longer and x is smaller.

According to the question,

$$2 \times \text{square of longer} = \text{square of smaller} + 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times (16 - x)^2 = x^2 + 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times (256 + x^2 - 32x) = x^2 + 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 512 + 2x^2 - 64x = x^2 + 164$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 64x + 512 - 164 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 64x + 348 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 58x - 6x + 348 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 58) - 6(x - 58) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 6)(x - 58) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6 \text{ and } 58$$

But $x \neq 58$ because $x < 16$

so, $x = 6$ and $16 - x = 10$

Hence, the answer is 6 and 10

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8. If one root of the quadratic equation $2x^2 + kx - 6 = 0$ is 2, find the value of k . Also, find the other root.

[2 MARKS]

Concept : 1 Mark

Application : 1 Mark

Since $x = 2$ is a root of the equation

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

$$\therefore 2 \times 2^2 + 2k - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 2k - 6 = 0 \Rightarrow 2k + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow k = -1$$

Substituting $k = -1$ in the equation $2x^2 + kx - 6 = 0$, we get

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

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x + 3x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x - 2) + 3(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)(2x + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = 0, 2x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2, x = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Hence, the other root is $-\frac{3}{2}$