

Precalculus Algebra Review Worksheet #2 Factoring Selected Solutions

Factor each of the following completely.

$$2. \frac{9x^4 - 36x^2}{9x^2(x^2 - 4)} = \frac{9x^2(x + 2)(x - 2)}{9x^2(x^2 - 4)}$$

$$6. 8x^3 - 125 = (2x - 5)(4x^2 + 10x + 25)$$

$$12. 27x^3 + 64 = (3x + 4)(9x^2 - 12x + 16)$$

$$14. -3x^5 - 81x^2 = \frac{-3x^2(x + 3)(x^2 - 3x + 9)}{-3x^2(x^3 + 27)}$$

$$15. x^6 - 64 = \frac{(x + 2)(x^2 - 2x + 4)(x - 2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)}{(x^3 + 8)(x^3 - 8)}$$

$$18. \frac{6x^3 - 9x^2 + 4x - 6}{3x^2(2x - 3) + 2(2x - 3)} = \frac{(2x - 3)(3x^2 + 2)}{(2x - 3)(3x^2 + 2)}$$

$$19. \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x - 18}{x^2(x + 2) - 9(x + 2)} = \frac{(x + 2)(x + 3)(x - 3)}{(x + 2)(x^2 - 9)}$$

$$22. \frac{9x^2 + 30x + 25}{(3x + 5)(3x + 5)} = \frac{(3x + 5)^2}{(3x + 5)(3x + 5)}$$

$$26. 3x^4 - 7x^2 - 6 = (3x^2 + 2)(x^2 - 3)$$

$$27. \frac{4x^4 - 37x^2 + 9}{(4x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 9)} = \frac{(2x + 1)(2x - 1)(x + 3)(x - 3)}{(4x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 9)}$$