What is a quadratic equation?

When a problem asks you to find the roots or zeros of an equation, they want you to find the x-values that you could plug into the equation and get 0. On the graph, these are the \_\_\_\_\_.

There are many ways to find the roots, zeros, or solutions.

Method 1: **SOLVE** by factoring.

1. 
$$x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

2. 
$$x^2 - 3x = 40$$

3. 
$$2x^2 + 15x - 8 = 0$$

Method 2: When you do not have a "b" term, you can just solve for x!

4. 
$$x^2 - 16 = 0$$

5. 
$$x^2 + 6 = 0$$

6. 
$$2x^2 - 36 = 0$$
 7.  $x^2 + 72 = 0$ 

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## Method 3: Quadratic Formula

This method is good when you need an \_\_\_\_\_ solution, but cannot

\_\_\_\_\_.

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$
  
Find a, b, and c

Example: 
$$x^2 - x - 5 = 0$$

$$a = b = c = 0$$

Step 1: Plug into the quadratic formula

$$\frac{-\underline{\phantom{a}}\pm\sqrt{\underline{\phantom{a}}^2-4\cdot a\cdot\underline{\phantom{a}}}}{2\cdot\underline{\phantom{a}}}$$

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Solve using the quadratic formula:

7. 
$$5m^2 + 7m = -3$$

8. 
$$4x^2 - 8x + 13 = 0$$