

Lesson 13: Constants in Quadratic Equations

- Let's explore the constants in quadratic equations.

13.1: Math Talk: Halved and Squared

For each value of b , mentally find $\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2$.

$$b = 6$$

$$b = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$b = 0.8$$

13.2: Solving Quadratics with Perfect Squares

Solve each of these equations for all values of x that make the equation true.

$$1. (x + 2)^2 = 9$$

$$2. (x - \frac{1}{2})^2 = 4$$

$$3. (x + 1)^2 = 8 + 1$$

$$4. (x - \frac{1}{3})^2 = \frac{10}{9} - \frac{1}{9}$$

$$5. (x - 6)(x - 6) = 81$$

13.3: Make It a Perfect Square

For each expression:

- Find a value that could be added as a constant term to make each expression a perfect square.
- Add the value you found and rewrite the expression in factored form.

1. $x^2 + 20x$

2. $x^2 - 4x$

3. $x^2 - 2x$

4. $x^2 + x$

5. $x^2 + 5x$

6. $x^2 + 1.4x$