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Solving Quadratic Equations by Factorising Worksheet

Solve each quadratic equation below by factorising. Show your working for each step. Write your final answers clearly.

1. Solve:
$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$$

2. Solve:
$$x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$$

3. Solve:
$$x^2 - 9 = 0$$

4. Solve:
$$2x^2 - 8x = 0$$

5. Solve:
$$x^2 - 4x - 21 = 0$$

6. Solve:
$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$$

7. Solve:
$$x^2 - 16x + 64 = 0$$

8. Solve:
$$x^2 - 1 = 0$$

9. Solve:
$$3x^2 + 6x = 0$$

10. Solve:
$$x^2 + 10x + 21 = 0$$

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Answer Key

1.
$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = (x - 2)(x - 3) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 2, x = 3$

2.
$$x^2 + 7x + 12 = (x + 3)(x + 4) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = -3, x = -4$

3.
$$x^2 - 9 = (x - 3)(x + 3) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 3, x = -3$

4.
$$2x^2 - 8x = 2x(x - 4) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 0, x = 4$

5.
$$x^2 - 4x - 21 = (x - 7)(x + 3) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 7, x = -3$

6.
$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = (x + 5)(x - 3) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = -5, x = 3$

7.
$$x^2 - 16x + 64 = (x - 8)^2 = 0$$
 Solution: $x = 8$

8.
$$x^2 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 1, x = -1$

9.
$$3x^2 + 6x = 3x(x + 2) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = 0, x = -2$

10.
$$x^2 + 10x + 21 = (x + 3)(x + 7) = 0$$
 Solutions: $x = -3, x = -7$