



Unit 9/Chapters 12 & 13  
**Solving Quadratic  
 Functions**  
 Cornell Notes/Summary Sheet

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**Lesson 12.4 – Big Ideas**

- Zero Product Property
- Solutions/roots/zeros/x-intercepts

**Your Notes**

Factoring Trinomials – The Box Method

The box method only works if you have factored out any common factors first!

1. Multiply the first and last terms.
2. Find the factors that multiply to be the product (in step 1) and that add to be the middle term (organize this information with an X-box)
3. Draw a 2x2 square
4. Put the first term of the trinomial in the upper-left corner and the constant term in the lower-right corner.
5. Put the factors (from step 2) in the two remaining squares.
6. Find the GCF of each row & each column
7. Write the result as a product of two binomials.

**Lesson 12.6 – Big Ideas**

- Perfect Squares
- Approximating square roots
- Simplifying square roots
- Extracting square roots to solve a quadratic equation (AKA the Square Root Property)

**Your Notes**

**Lesson 12.7 – Big Ideas**

- Completing the square (to solve a quadratic equation)
- Axis of symmetry
- Vertex

**Your Notes**

Completing the Square:

1. If necessary, factor out the coefficient of the quadratic term from the first two terms.
2. Complete the Square:
  - i. Half the middle:  $b$
  - ii. Write it down
  - iii. Square it =  $c$
  - iv. Multiply:  $a \times c$
  - v. Combine constants
3. Solve via the Square Root Property.

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 6x + \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2 + 7 - \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2 \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}} \\ \left(x + \frac{6}{2}\right)^2 + 7 - 9 = (x + 3)^2 - 2 \end{array}$$

**Lesson 13.1 – Big Ideas**

- Quadratic Formula
- Discriminant
- Roots vs. zeros

**Your Notes**