

Form Reveals More

Rewrite expressions to uncover zeros and extreme values.

HIGH SCHOOL • HSA-SSE.B.3

CCSS.Math.Content.HSA-SSE.B.3 "Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression. *"

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CHOOSE THE HELPFUL FORM

Use factored form, $a(x - r)(x - s)$, when you need the zeros because r and s make the expression equal 0. Use vertex form, $a(x - h)^2 + k$, when you need a greatest or least value because the vertex is (h, k) . A positive a gives a minimum, and a negative a gives a maximum.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Rewrite $x^2 + 13x + 36$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.

- Find two numbers with product 36 and sum 13: 4 and 9.
- Write the factors: $x^2 + 13x + 36 = (x + 4)(x + 9)$.
- Set each factor equal to 0: $x = -4$ or $x = -9$.

Answer: $(x + 4)(x + 9)$; zeros: $x = -4$ and $x = -9$

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** Rewrite $x^2 - 11x + 24$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.

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- 2** Rewrite $x^2 + 3x - 18$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.

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- 3** Rewrite $6x^2 + 7x - 3$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.

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- 4** Rewrite $x^2 + 12x + 20$ in vertex form. State its minimum value and where it occurs.

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- 5** Rewrite $-3x^2 + 18x - 20$ in vertex form. State its maximum value and where it occurs.

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- 6** Rewrite $3(x + 2)^2 - 27$ in standard form. State its minimum value and where it occurs.

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APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A pop-up esports tournament models its profit with $P(t) = -t^2 + 20t - 84$, where P is profit in hundreds of dollars and t is the number of hours after opening. Rewrite $P(t)$ in factored form. When does the tournament break even?

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- 2** An online art shop models daily profit with $P(p) = -p^2 + 16p + 45$, where p is the price, in dollars, of a sticker pack. Rewrite $P(p)$ in vertex form. What price gives the greatest profit, and what is that profit?

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CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

For $f(x) = 2x^2 - 20x + 32$, write one equivalent form that reveals the zeros and another equivalent form that reveals the minimum value. State both properties.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Rewrite $x^2 - 11x + 24$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.	$(x - 3)(x - 8)$; zeros: $x = 3$ and $x = 8$
2	Rewrite $x^2 + 3x - 18$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.	$(x + 6)(x - 3)$; zeros: $x = -6$ and $x = 3$
3	Rewrite $6x^2 + 7x - 3$ in factored form. Then state its zeros.	$(3x - 1)(2x + 3)$; zeros: $x = 1/3$ and $x = -3/2$
4	Rewrite $x^2 + 12x + 20$ in vertex form. State its minimum value and where it occurs.	$(x + 6)^2 - 16$; minimum value: -16 at $x = -6$
5	Rewrite $-3x^2 + 18x - 20$ in vertex form. State its maximum value and where it occurs.	$-3(x - 3)^2 + 7$; maximum value: 7 at $x = 3$
6	Rewrite $3(x + 2)^2 - 27$ in standard form. State its minimum value and where it occurs.	$3x^2 + 12x - 15$; minimum value: -27 at $x = -2$

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- $P(t) = -(t - 6)(t - 14)$; the tournament breaks even at $t = 6$ hours and $t = 14$ hours.** Factor out -1 , then factor $t^2 - 20t + 84$. The zeros of the factored expression give the break-even times.
- $P(p) = -(p - 8)^2 + 109$; a price of \$8 gives a greatest profit of \$109.** Complete the square to write the expression in vertex form. Because the squared term has a negative coefficient, the vertex gives the greatest profit.

CHALLENGE

Factored form: $2(x - 2)(x - 8)$, so the zeros are $x = 2$ and $x = 8$. Vertex form: $2(x - 5)^2 - 18$, so the minimum value is -18 at $x = 5$.

Accept factors in either order and equivalent vertex forms with correct values. For zero questions, students should state both x-values, and for extreme-value questions, students should state both the value and the x-value where it occurs.