

WORDED QUADRATIC EQUATIONS

1. By solving a quadratic equation find two numbers that have a sum of 9 and a product of 20
2. By solving a quadratic equation find two numbers whose difference is 5 and whose product is 36
3. The sum of the squares of three consecutive even numbers is 56. Find the numbers
4. The sum of a number and the reciprocal of two more than the number is 4. Find the number.
5. The denominator of a fraction is greater than its numerator by 5. If one is subtracted from both the denominator and the numerator then the original fraction is decreased by $\frac{5}{42}$. Prove that $n^2 + 9n - 22 = 0$ and hence determine the numerator of the original fraction.
6. A rectangle is 5 *cm* longer than its width. If its width is x *cm* and its area is 14 cm^2 , state the dimensions of the rectangle.
7. The base of a triangle x *cm* and its altitude is quarter the length of the base. If the triangle has an area of 12.5 cm^2 , state the altitude of the triangle.
8. A rectangular lawn of dimensions 30 *m* and 50 *m* is bordered on two adjacent sides by a uniform path of width x *m*. If the area of the path is 164 m^2 , find the width of the path.
9. A circular pool of radius r *metres* has a path 2 *metres* wide around its perimeter. If the area of the pool is four-fifths that of the total area, show that $r^2 - 16r - 16 = 0$, hence find the radius of the pool.
10. The side of a square is x metres. The length of a rectangle is 5 metres more than the side of the square and its width is 4 metres more than the side of the square. The area of the rectangle is 47 m^2 more than the area of the square. Determine the area of the rectangle.
11. If each side of a square is increased by 5 *cm*, its area is increased by 125 cm^2 . Find the length of the original square.
12. A rectangle has an area of 48 cm^2 and a perimeter of 28 *cm*, find its dimensions.
13. A vendor sold n oranges at $(2n - 15)$ cents each and received \$42.50. Find the number of oranges the vendor sold.
14. A dealer bought x toys for \$27. Write an expression for the price he paid for each toy. He proposed to sell each toy at a profit of 50 cents, show that his selling price for each toy was $\$ \frac{54+x}{2x}$. He sold 8 toys at the price and sold the remaining toys at \$2 each. Given that the dealer received \$30 altogether, form an equation and show that it reduces to $x^2 + 21x + 108 = 0$. Find how many toys the dealer bought.
15. A car travels a distance of 3.6 *km* at a speed of $(x + 10)$ metres/second in $(2x - 8)$ seconds. Find the time it took the car to complete this distance and the speed at which it travelled.
16. A cyclist travels from home to office 8 *km* away at x km/hr and returns home along the same route at speed 3 km/hr slower than before. If the total time of travel is 1 hour and 12 minutes, find his speeds.
17. A jet travels 80 *km/hr* faster than a liner and takes 1 hour less than the liner to complete a journey of 6280 *km*. If the speed of the liner is x km/hr, show that $x^2 + 80x - 502400 = 0$. Hence find the speed of the aircrafts to the nearest km/hr.
18. Andy and Annette walk to school. Andy walks at an average speed of x *km/hr*; Annette walks at an average speed of $(x - 1)$ *km/hr*. If the distance is 10 *km* and Andy takes 20 minutes less than Annette, find their speeds.
19. Miami and Pittsburgh are 1000 miles apart. A plane flew into a 50-mph headwind from Miami to Pittsburgh. On the return flight the 50-mph wind became a tailwind. The plane was in the air a total of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ hours for the round trip. What would have been the plane's average speed without the wind?