

Factoring Trinomials x^2+bx+c

$$(x+2)(x-4)$$

$$= x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8$$

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$$2) n^2 - 7n + 12 \quad \text{Factors: } (-1, -12)$$

$$= (n-3)(n-4) \quad \text{Factors: } (-3, -4)$$

Factor each completely.

$$1) x^2 + 15x + 50 \quad \text{Factors: } (+) 50, (+) 15$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1, 50 \\ 2, 25 \\ \hline 15, 10 \end{array}$$

$$= (x+5)(x+10)$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} &= x^2 + 10x + 5x + 50 \\ &= x^2 + 15x + 50 \end{aligned}}$$

$$3) m^2 + 4m - 60 \quad \text{Factors: } (-) -60, (+) +4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1, 60 \\ -2, 36 \\ -3, 20 \\ -4, 15 \\ -5, 12 \\ \hline -6, 10 \end{array}$$

$$= (m-6)(m+10)$$

$$= (m+10)(m-6)$$

$$5) n^2 - 70n + 1144$$

$$= (n-26)(n-44)$$

$$\text{Factors: } (1144, -70)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1, -1144 \\ -2, -572 \\ -4, -286 \\ -8, -143 \\ -11, -104 \\ \hline -26, -44 \end{array}$$

$$7) \frac{4}{4}p^2 - \frac{44}{4}p + \frac{112}{4}$$

$$= 4(p^2 - 11p + 28) \quad \text{Factors: } (28, -11)$$

$$= 4(p-4)(p-7)$$

$$6) a^2 - 21a - 232 \quad \text{Factors: } (-232, -21)$$

$$= (a-29)(a+8)$$

$$1, -232$$

$$2, -116$$

$$4, -58$$

$$8, -29$$

$$8) \frac{-2x^2}{2} + \frac{8x}{2} + \frac{64}{2}$$

$$= -2(x^2 - 4x - 32) \quad \text{Factors: } (-32, -4)$$

$$= -2(x-8)(x+4) \quad \text{Factors: } (-8, 4)$$