



# Completing the Square



1. Represent each of the following expressions as a perfect square:

i.  $x^2 + 6x + 9$

ii.  $k^2 + 18k + 81$

iii.  $x^2 + 10x + 25$

iv.  $y^2 - 8y + 16$

v.  $x^2 + 20x + 100$

vi.  $a^2 - 12a + 36$

vii.  $x^2 + 2xy + y^2$

viii.  $4x^2 + 4x + 1$

ix.  $9x^2 + 6x + 1$

x.  $4x^2 + 12x + 9$

2. Complete the square for the following expressions:

(a)  $x^2 + 10x + 30$

(b)  $y^2 + 6y + 10$

(c)  $x^2 - 8x + 13$

(d)  $x^2 + 12x + 20$

(e)  $x^2 - 4x + 1$

(f)  $x^2 + 7x + 12$

(g)  $y^2 - 9y + 10$

(h)  $y^2 + 3y - 5$

(i)  $3x^2 + 12x + 18$

(j)  $2x^2 + 10x + 11$

(k)  $2x^2 - 11x + 10$

(l)  $35 + 10x - x^2$

(m)  $26 - 12x - 2x^2$

3. Prove that  $x^2 - 10x + 30 \geq 0$  for all values of  $x \in R$ .

4. Prove that  $3x^2 + 24x + 54 \geq 0$  for all values of  $x \in R$ .





5. Prove that  $18x - 3x^2 - 12 \leq 0$  for all values of  $x \in R$ .
6. The graph of  $y = a(x - p)^2 + q$  has a turning point  $(p, q)$ . By **completing the square**, find the turning point of each of the following quadratic functions.
- (a)  $f(x) = x^2 + 6x + 10$
  - (b)  $g(x) = x^2 + 8x + 4$
  - (c)  $h(x) = 5 + 8x - x^2$
  - (d)  $f(x) = x^2 + 11x + 10$
  - (e)  $g(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 12$
  - (f)  $h(x) = 1 + 6x - 3x^2$
7. Solve each of the following quadratic equations by completing the square, representing each answer in the form  $a \pm \sqrt{b}$ :
- (a)  $x^2 - 8x + 2 = 0$
  - (b)  $x^2 - 6x + 7 = 0$
  - (c)  $x^2 + 10x - 20 = 0$
  - (d)  $x^2 - 4x + 2 = 0$
  - (e)  $3x^2 + 12x - 3 = 0$

