

Solve by FACTORIZING

① Make sure the equation is set equal to 0.
(move terms across the equal sign (adding or subtracting) to make the leading coefficient positive)

② Factor the polynomial
Refer to Factoring flow chart

③ Solve.
Set factor = to zero & solve

Solve.

1) $(x+3)(2x-4)=0$

$$\begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ x+3=0 \\ \underline{-3} \\ \boxed{x=-3} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ 2x-4=0 \\ \underline{+4} \quad \underline{+4} \\ 2x=4 \\ \underline{\frac{2}{2}} \quad \underline{\frac{4}{2}} \\ \boxed{x=2} \end{array}$$

2) $r(r-6)=0$

$$\boxed{r=0} \quad \boxed{r=6}$$

3) $a^2 - 24a = 0$

$$a(a-24)=0$$

$$\boxed{a=0} \quad \boxed{a=24}$$

4) $x^2 + 12 = 7x$

$$x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$$

Factor

$$(a-3)(a-4)=0$$

$$\boxed{a=3} \quad \boxed{a=4}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ -3 \quad -4 \\ -7 \end{array}$$

5) $2x^2 + 6x = -4$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{+4} \quad \underline{+4} \\ 2x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0 \\ 2(x^2 + 3x + 2) = 0 \\ 2(a+2)(a+1) = 0 \\ \boxed{a=-2} \quad \boxed{a=-1} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 2 \quad 1 \\ 3 \end{array}$$

6) $n^2 - 1 = 0$

$$(n-1)(n+1) = 0$$

$$\boxed{n=1} \quad \boxed{n=-1}$$

7) $6x^2 + 5 = -17x$

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{+17x} \quad \underline{+17x} \\ 6x^2 + 17x + 5 = 0 \\ (2x+5)(3x+1) = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ 15 \quad 2 \\ 17 \end{array}$$

$$2x+5=0$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-5}{2} \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$3x+1=0$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{-1}{3} \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{1}{3}}$$

8) $3x^2 = 75$

$$\frac{-75}{3} \quad \underline{-75} \quad \underline{-75}$$
$$3x^2 - 75 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 - 25) = 0$$

$$3(x-5)(x+5) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x=5} \quad \boxed{x=-5}$$