

1. Simplify each expression.

a. 
$$\frac{4 - \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2(2)}$$

b. 
$$\frac{-8 - \sqrt{(8)^2 - 4(10)(2)}}{2(10)}$$

c. 
$$\sqrt{-80}$$

d. 
$$\sqrt{200}$$

2. Solve the equation by using the quadratic formula. Remember the quadratic formula is:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} .$$

a.  $x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0$

b. Now solve the equation by factoring.

3. Solve the equation  $2x^2 + 6x + 1 = 0$  by using the quadratic formula. Simplify the solution as much as possible.

4. The zeros of a function are also the x-intercepts of the graph of the function. The value of y is always zero along the x-axis. Find the zeros of the function  $g(x) = 8x^2 + 2x - 3$  by setting  $g(x)=0$ , then:

a. solve the equation using the quadratic formula

b. check your answer to part a by using graphing technology

c. write the function as two factors.

5. Find the zero of the function  $h(t) = 3t^2 - 4t + 5$  :

a. by using the quadratic formula

c. Check your answer to part a using graphing technology. What do you notice? Explain your reasoning.

