

**Algebra II**  
**Factoring GCF and Difference of Squares**

**Bell Ringer**

Find the square root of...

1. 25                      2. 64                      3. 121

5                      8                      11

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**Factor each completely.**

1.  $\sqrt{x^2-4}$                       2.  $\sqrt{9a^2-25}$   
 $(x+2)(x-2)$                        $(3a+5)(3a-5)$

3.  $16m^2-1$                       4.  $p^2+64$   
 $(4m-1)(4m+1)$                       Not Possible

**Now let us put GCF and difference of two squares together.**

1.  $2x^2-32$                       2.  $75m^2-12$   
 $2(x^2-16)$                        $3(25m^2-4)$   
 $2(x+4)(x-4)$                        $3(5m+2)(5m-2)$

3.  $18n^2-2$                       4.  $200p^2-242$   
 $2(9n^2-1)$                        $2(100p^2-121)$   
 $2(3n+1)(3n-1)$                        $2(10p+11)(10p-11)$

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**Conclusion**

1. What is a square root?
2. What is true about the sign of the second number to take the difference of two squares?
3. Person on the right...make up a problem and person on the left solve it. Person on right check it. Now reverse.

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**Assignment**

**Factoring GCF and  
Difference of Squares Wkst**

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