9.2: Factoring Using the Distributive Property

HCPS III

- **Standard 10:** Patterns, Functions, and Algebra: SYMBOLIC REPRESENTATION: Use symbolic forms to represent, model, and analyze mathematical situations.
- **Benchmark MA.AI.10.6:** Factor first- and second-degree binomials and trinomials in one or two variables.
- **Benchmark MA.AI.10.7:** Solve quadratic equations in one variable algebraically, graphically, or by using graphing technology.

Goal(s):

- Factor polynomials using the Distributive Property.
- Solve quadratic equations of the form $ax^2 + bx = 0$.

Factor by Using the Distributive Property

Factoring a polynomial is to find its completely factored form.

e.g.,
$$4a(3a+4)$$
 $12a^2+16a$

Example 1: Using the Distributive Property

Use the Distributive Property to factor each polynomial.

a.) $12x^2 + 16x$ **b.)** 81r + 48rs

Factoring by Grouping

Factoring by grouping is used to factor polynomials that do not hall the same GCF. This is primarily used to factor polynomials with **four** terms.

Example 2: Factoring Using Grouping

Factor each expression.

a.) 4ab + 8b + 3a + 6

b.) $2s^2 + 2s + 3s + 3$

Example 3: Using the Additive Inverse Property

Find the prime factorization of each number.

a.) 35x - 5xy + 3y - 21

b.) $9x^2 + 6x - 3xy - 2y$

Solve Equations by Factoring

Zero Product Property:

• If the product of two factors is zero, then at least one of the factors must equal zero.

e.g., 5(0) = 0 2x = 0 xy = 0

Example 4: Solving an Equation

Solve each equation.

a.) (d-5)(3d+4) = 0 **b.)** (a-9)(2a+1) = 0

Example 5: Solve an Equation by Factoring

Solve each equation.

a.) $5m = 3m^2$

c.) $6y^2 - 4y + 3y - 2 = 0$