

Special Products - Difference of Squares 2

Name _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

Factor the binomial that is a difference of squares. If prime, so state.

1) $y^2 - 36$ 1) _____
A) $(y + 6)^2$ B) $(y - 6)^2$ C) $(y + 6)(y - 6)$ D) prime

2) $z^2 - s^2$ 2) _____
A) prime B) $(z^2 - s)(z^2 + s)$ C) $(z - s)(z + s)$ D) $(z - s)(z - s)$

3) $64x^2 - 81$ 3) _____
A) prime B) $(8x + 9)^2$ C) $(8x + 9)(8x - 9)$ D) $(8x - 9)^2$

4) $16y^4 - 9$ 4) _____
A) $(4y^2 - 3)^2$ B) $(4y^2 + 3)^2$
C) $(4y^2 + 3)(4y^2 - 3)$ D) prime

5) $100k^2 - 121m^2$ 5) _____
A) $(10k + 11m)^2$ B) $(10k + 11m)(10k - 11m)$
C) prime D) $(10k - 11m)^2$

6) $144s^2 - 49t^4$ 6) _____
A) $(12s - 7t^2)^2$ B) $(12s + 7t^2)^2$
C) $(12s + 7t^2)(12s - 7t^2)$ D) prime

Answer Key

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- 1) C
- 2) C
- 3) C
- 4) C
- 5) B
- 6) C