# PRACTICE & PROBLEM SOLVING

#### UNDERSTAND

- **10. Mathematical Connections** Explain how factoring a trinomial is like factoring a number. Explain how it is different.
- **11. Use Appropriate Tools** How can you use algebra tiles to factor a trinomial? How do you determine the binomial factors from an algebra tile model?
- **12.** Look for Relationships How are the binomial factors of  $x^2 + 7x 18$  and  $x^2 7x 18$  similar? How are they different?
- **13.** Error Analysis Describe and correct the error a student made in making a table in order to factor the trinomial  $x^2 11x 26$ .

Factors	Sum of Factors
-1 and 11	10
1 and –11	-10

The trinomial  $x^2 - 11x - 26$  is not factorable because no factors of *b* sum to *c*.

- 14. Higher Order Thinking Given that the trinomial  $x^2 + bx + 8$  is factorable as (x + p)(x + q), with p and q being integers, what are four possible values of b?
- **15.** Reason What is missing from the last term of the trinomial  $x^2 + 5xy + 4$  so that it is factorable as the product of binomials?
- **16. Look for Structure** How does the sign of the last term of a trinomial help you know what type of factors you are looking for?
- **17.** Reason A rectangle has an area of  $x^2 + 7x + 12$  in.<sup>2</sup>. Use factoring to find possible dimensions of the rectangle. Explain why you can use factoring to find the answer.

## PRACTICE

### Factor each trinomial represented by the

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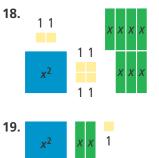
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algebra tiles. SEE EXAMPLE 1



Complete the table to factor each trinomial.

SEE EXAMPLES 1 AND 3

**20.**  $x^2 + 9x + 20$ 

Factors of c	Sum of Factors
?	?
?	9
?	?

#### **21.** $x^2 + 9x - 22$

Factors of <i>c</i>	Sum of Factors
?	?
?	?
?	9
?	?

Write the factored form of each trinomial.

SEE EXAMPLES	1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5	
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<b>22.</b> $x^2 + 15x + 44$	<b>23.</b> $x^2 - 11x + 24$
<b>24.</b> $x^2 + 2x - 15$	<b>25.</b> $x^2 - 13x + 30$
<b>26.</b> $x^2 + 9x + 18$	<b>27.</b> $x^2 - 2x - 8$
<b>28.</b> $x^2 + 7xy + 6y^2$	<b>29.</b> $x^2 - 12x + 27$
<b>30.</b> <i>x</i> <sup>2</sup> + 10 <i>x</i> +16	<b>31.</b> $x^2 - 16xy + 28y^2$
<b>32.</b> $x^2 - 10xy - 11y^2$	<b>33.</b> $x^2 + 16x + 48$
<b>34.</b> <i>x</i> <sup>2</sup> – 13 <i>x</i> – 48	<b>35.</b> $x^2 + 15xy + 54y^2$

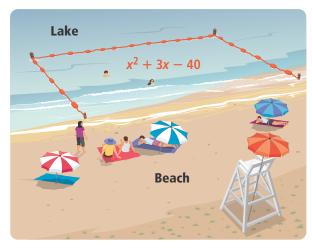


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### APPLY

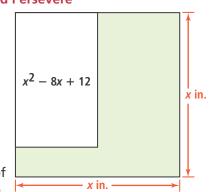
- **36.** Make Sense and Persevere The volume of a rectangular box is represented by  $x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x$ . Use factoring to find possible dimensions of the box. How are the dimensions of the box related to one another?
- **37.** Model with Mathematics A lake has a rectangular area roped off where people can swim under a lifeguard's supervision. The swimming section has an area of  $x^2 + 3x 40$  square feet, with the long side parallel to the lake shore.



- a. What are possible dimensions of the roped-off area? Use factoring.
- **b.** How much rope is needed for the three sides that are not along the beach? Explain.
- **c.** The rope used to mark the swimming area is 238 ft long. What is *x* when the total length of rope is 238 ft?

#### 38. Make Sense and Persevere

Sarah has a large square piece of foam for an art project. The side lengths of the square are x in. To fit her project, Sarah cuts a section of foam from two



of the sides so she now has a rectangle. How much foam does Sarah cut from each of the two sides?

### ASSESSMENT PRACTICE

- **39.** Match each trinomial with its factored form.
  - I.  $x^2 + 13x + 30$ A. (x 10)(x + 3)II.  $x^2 + x 30$ B. (x 6)(x + 5)III.  $x^2 7x 30$ C. (x 5)(x + 6)IV.  $x^2 x 30$ D. (x + 10)(x + 3)

# **40.** SAT/ACT What is the factored form of $4x^3 - 24x^2 - 28x$ ?

- (A) 4x(x 7)(x + 1)
- (B) 4x(x-1)(x+7)
- (D) x(x-4)(x+7)
- (E) 4(x-7)(x-1)
- **41.** Performance Task A city is designing the layout of a new park. The park will be divided into several different areas, including a field, a picnic area, and a recreation area. One design of the park is shown below.



**Part A** Use factoring to find the dimensions of each of the three areas of the park shown

**Part B** Describe two different ways to find the total area of the park.

**Part C** What are the dimensions of the entire park?

**Part D** Can you find the value of *x*? Explain.