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Factoring Difference of two squares $(a^2 - b^2)$

Conditions for Difference of two Squares

1) Must be a binomial with **subtraction**. $x^2 - 36$

2) First and second terms must be **perfect squares**.

$\{x^2, a^4, b^6, y^8, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100, \dots\}$

$$(x)(x) = x^2$$

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$$(9)(9) = 81$$

Examples: Factor the following

- $x^2 - 36 = (x + 6)(x - 6)$
- $x^2 - 49 = (x + 7)(x - 7)$
- $9x^2 - 16y^2 = (3x + 4y)(3x - 4y)$

Factor each binomial

1. $x^2 - 1 =$ _____

2. $x^2 - y^2 =$ _____

3. $d^2 - 81 =$ _____

4. $16 - a^2 =$ _____

5. $4 - c^2 =$ _____

6. $4x^2 - y^2 =$ _____

7. $64a^2 - 16b^2 =$ _____

8. $100 - 49a^2 =$ _____

9. $64a^2 - 16b^2 =$ _____

10. $100 - 49a^2 =$ _____

11. $a^4 - b^4 =$ _____

12. $m^4 - 16 =$ _____

13. $16x^6 - 1 =$ _____

14. $81x^2y^2 - 1 =$ _____