

Math 123

Exam 2

10/21/11

Name Key

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1) Solve by factoring or the quadratic formula

a) $x^2 + 2x = 8$

$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$(x + 4)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = -4 \text{ OR } x = 2$$

b) $x^2 + 2x - 5 = 0$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(-5)}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 20}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{2(-1 \pm \sqrt{6})}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{6}$$

2) The slope of a vertical line is undefined

3) Find the slope of the line through (1, 6) and (-2, 3)

$$m = \frac{3-6}{-2-1} = \frac{-3}{-3} = 1$$

4) Find the slope of the line $2x + 3y = 12$

$$\begin{aligned} 3y &= -2x + 12 \\ y &= -\frac{2}{3}x + 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{slope} = -\frac{2}{3}$$