

Section 8.1 Solving Quadratic Equations by Completing the Square

Square Root Property

If $x^2 = c$, then $x = \sqrt{c}$ or $x = -\sqrt{c}$

How to solve a quadratic equation using the square root property

- 1) Isolate the expression containing the square term.
- 2) Use the Square Root Property.
- 3) Isolate the variable, if necessary.
- 4) Check your solutions.

Example 1: Use the square root property to solve each equation.