

Solving Quadratic Equations by Taking Square Roots - Answers

Problems. Solve each of the following quadratic equations by taking square roots.

1. $x^2 - 25 = 0$
 $x^2 = 25$
 $\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{25}$
 $x = 5, x = -5$

2. $2x^2 - 50 = 0$
 $2x^2 = 50$
 $x^2 = 25$
 $\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{25}$
 $x = 5, x = -5$

3. $y^2 + 7 = 16$
 $y^2 = 9$
 $\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{9}$
 $y = 3, y = -3$

4. $4y^2 - 5 = 139$
 $4y^2 = 144$
 $y^2 = 36$
 $\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{36}$
 $y = 6, y = -6$

5. $z^2 + 7 = 3$
 $z^2 = -4$
 $\sqrt{z^2} = \sqrt{-4}$

No solution

6. $8 - 2y^2 = 0$
 $-2y^2 = -8$
 $y^2 = 4$
 $\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{4}$
 $y = 2, y = -2$