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Read all directions and problems carefully! Show all appropriate work for credit.

1. Factor the following trinomials whose leading coefficient is 1.

$$x^2 - 9xy + 20y^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ +20 \quad -9 \\ \hline -4(-5) \quad -4(-5) \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{(x-5y)(x-4y)}$$

+2

$$n^2 - 21n - 72$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ -72 \quad -21 \\ \hline 1(-72) \\ 2(-36) \\ 3(-24) \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{(n-24)(n+3)}$$

+2

$$4a^3 - 16a^2 - 48a$$

$$4a(a^2 - 4a - 12)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ -12 \quad -4 \\ \hline -6(2) \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{4a(a-6)(a+2)}$$

+3

2. Factor the following trinomials completely using the *a*·*c* Grouping Method.

$$2x^2 + 7x + 3$$

$$2 \cdot 3 = 6 \quad 7$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ 6(1) \end{array}$$

$$\underline{2x^2 + 6x} + \underline{1x + 3}$$

$$2x(x+3) + 1(x+3)$$

$$\boxed{(x+3)(2x+1)}$$

+2

$$9b^2 + 33b - 12$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ -12 \quad +11 \\ \hline 12(-1) \end{array}$$

$$3(3b^2 + 11b - 4)$$

$$3(3b^2 + 12b - 1b - 4)$$

$$3[3b(b+4) - 1(b+4)]$$

$$\boxed{3(b+4)(3b-1)}$$

+3

$$8a^2 - 10ab + 3b^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cdot \quad + \\ +24 \quad -10 \\ \hline -6(-4) \end{array}$$

$$\underline{8a^2 - 4ab} - \underline{6ab + 3b^2}$$

$$4a(2a-b) - 3b(2a-b)$$

$$\boxed{(2a-b)(4a-3b)}$$

+3