

Name:		
Date Started:	Date Completed:	Score:

Learning Activity Sheet Factoring the Difference of Two Squares

A. Choose the letter of the correct answer.

1. Which of the following is a difference of two squares?

a.
$$x^2 + (-y)^2$$

c.
$$-x^6 + 121$$

d.
$$x^4 - 12x^2y^2$$

2. Which of the following is a difference of two squares?

a.
$$-x^4 + 64$$

c.
$$4x^4 + (-2y)^2$$

b.
$$-36 - 9x^2$$

d.
$$x^2 - 15x^4y^2$$

B. Factor each expression.

State whether or not each expression is a difference of two squares.

1.
$$4x^2 - 121$$

2.
$$-49m^2 + 1$$

Factor each completely.

3.
$$9a^2 - 49$$

4.
$$64x^2 - 25y^4$$

Factor each completely.

5.
$$28x^3 - 7x$$

6.
$$128 - 200 \text{m}^2$$

Factor each completely.

7.
$$1 - 16x^8$$

8.
$$a^4 - 625b^8$$