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## Factorising - Difference of 2 Squares

$$(a+b)(a-b) \equiv a^2 - ab + ab - b^2$$
$$\equiv a^2 - b^2$$

$$a^2 - b^2 \equiv (a+b)(a-b)$$

$x^2 - 9 \equiv (x+3)(x-3)$	$x^4 - 1 \equiv (x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)$ $\equiv (x-1)(x+1)(x^2 + 1)$
$y^2 - 1 \equiv (y-1)(y+1)$	
$6x^2 - 25y^2 \equiv (4x - 5y)(4x + 5y)$	$2x^2 - 72 \equiv 2(x^2 - 36)$ $\equiv 2(x-6)(x+6)$

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