

**3.4** Practice A

In Exercises 1–8, solve the equation using the Quadratic Formula.

1.  $x^2 + 9x + 4 = 0$

2.  $2x^2 - 2x - 4 = 0$

3.  $2x^2 + 12x + 18 = 0$

4.  $-4x^2 = 3x - 1$

5.  $-3x^2 + 5x = 4$

6.  $x^2 + 144 = 24x$

7.  $-7x = 2x^2 + 9$

8.  $6x^2 = 4x - 9$

In Exercises 9–12, find the discriminant of the quadratic equation and describe the number and type of solutions of the equation.

9.  $x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$

10.  $x^2 + 10x + 25 = 0$

11.  $3t^2 - 3t + 18 = 0$

12.  $-x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$

In Exercises 13 and 14, use the Quadratic Formula to write a quadratic equation that has the given solutions.

$$13. x = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{-79}}{8}$$

$$14. x = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{97}}{-6}$$

In Exercises 15 - 18, solve the quadratic equation using the Quadratic Formula. Then solve the equation using another method. Which method do you prefer? Explain.

$$15. \quad 9x^2 + 4 = 12x$$

$$16. \quad 4x^2 - 13x + 3 = 0$$

$$17. \quad x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0$$

$$18. \quad x^2 - 4x = 12$$