Practice A

In Exercises 1-6, solve the equation.

1.
$$q^3 - q^2 - 30q = 0$$

2.
$$k^3 + 6k^2 + 9k = 0$$

$$3. \quad 3y^4 - 6y^3 = -3y^2$$

4.
$$n^3 + 2n^2 - 9n - 18 = 0$$

5.
$$3p^3 = 21p$$

6.
$$8u^6 = 16u^4$$

In Exercises 7-10, find the zeros of the function.

7.
$$f(x) = x^4 + x^3 - 12x^2$$

8.
$$g(x) = x^4 - 8x^2 + 16$$

9.
$$h(x) = x^5 - 2x^4 - 15x^3$$

10.
$$f(x) = -3x^3 - 15x^2 - 12x$$

- 11. According to the Rational Root Theorem, which is not a possible solution of the equation $3x^4 - 6x^3 + 2x + 4 = 0$?
 - **A.** 4

- **B.** $\frac{1}{3}$ **C.** -3
- **D.** $-\frac{2}{3}$

12. Describe and correct the error in listing the possible rational zeros of the function.

$$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x - 18$$
Possible zeros: $\pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9$

In Exercises 13 and 14, find all the real solutions of the equation.

13.
$$x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0$$

14.
$$x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$$

15. Write a third or fourth degree polynomial function that has zeros at $\pm \frac{3}{2}$. Justify your answer.

16. Determine the value of k for each equation so that the given x-value is a solution.

a.
$$x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x + k = 0$$
; $x = 3$

b.
$$x^3 - 3x^2 + kx - 12 = 0$$
; $x = -4$