SQUARE ROOTS & PERFECT SQUARES

To understand square roots, first let’s take a look at squares.

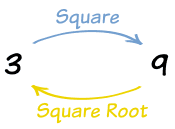
How to Square a Number: Just multiply it by itself.

Squares from 12 to 122 PERFECT SQUARES

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Square Roots:

A square root goes the other way:



3 squared is 9, so a **square root** of 9 is 3

A square root of a number is a value that can be**multiplied by itself** to give the original number.

A square root of **9** is **3**, because **when 3 is multiplied by itself** we get **9**.

It is like asking “what can we multiply by itself to get this?”

The Square Root Symbol

This is the special symbol that means "square root". It is called the **radical.**

To Help You Remember: Think of the root of a tree.

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