

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.

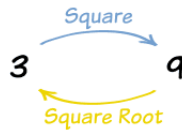
Squares from 1² to 12²

PERFECT SQUARES

1 Squared = 1 ² = 1 × 1 = 1	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2 Squared = 2 ² = 2 × 2 = 4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	12
3 Squared = 3 ² = 3 × 3 = 9	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	24
4 Squared = 4 ² = 4 × 4 = 16	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	36
5 Squared = 5 ² = 5 × 5 = 25	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	48
6 Squared = 6 ² = 6 × 6 = 36	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	60
7 Squared = 7 ² = 7 × 7 = 49	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	72
8 Squared = 8 ² = 8 × 8 = 64	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84	84
9 Squared = 9 ² = 9 × 9 = 81	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96	96
10 Squared = 10 ² = 10 × 10 = 100	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	108
11 Squared = 11 ² = 11 × 11 = 121	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	120
12 Squared = 12 ² = 12 × 12 = 144	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132	132
	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	144

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.

2 2 Or -2 -2	3 × 3 Or -3 × -3	5 × 5 Or -5 × -5	6 × 6 Or -6 × -6	7 × 7 Or -7 × -7	8 × 8 Or -8 × -8	9 × 9 Or -9 × -9
√4 = ±2	√9 = ±3	√25 = ±5	√36 = ±6	√49 = ±7	√64 = ±8	√81 = ±9

OPERATIONS WITH SQUARE ROOTS

Just follow the same BEDMAS rule when operating with fractions.

Simplify each expression:

a) $\sqrt{25} + \sqrt{16}$ Read: Add the square roots of 25 and 16.

$$= 5 + 4$$
$$= 9$$

b) $\sqrt{3+6}$ Read: Square root the sum of 3 and 6.

$$= \sqrt{9}$$
$$= 3$$

c) $\sqrt{31 + \sqrt{25}}$ Read: Square root the sum of 31 and square root of 25.

$$= \sqrt{31 + 5}$$
$$= \sqrt{36} \rightarrow = 6$$

d) $\sqrt{\sqrt{169} + \sqrt{144}}$ Read: Square root the sum of square root of 169 and square root of 144.

$$= \sqrt{13 + 12}$$
$$= \sqrt{25} \rightarrow = 5$$

e) $2\sqrt{25}$ Read: 2 times square root 25.

$$= 2 \cdot (5)$$
$$= \underline{\underline{10}}$$

f) $3\sqrt{100} + 2\sqrt{16}$

$$= 3 \cdot (10) + 2 \cdot (4)$$
$$= 30 + 8$$
$$= 38$$

g) $\sqrt{12 - \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{8 + 1}}}$ *start simplifying from right to left*

$$= \sqrt{12 - \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{9}}}$$
$$= \sqrt{12 - \sqrt{6 + 3}}$$
$$= \sqrt{12 - \sqrt{9}} \rightarrow = 3$$
$$= \sqrt{12 - 3}$$
$$= \sqrt{9}$$