Factoring, Difference of 2 Squares

Algorithm

- 1. Try to use the D-Prop first
- 2. Take the square root of each term
- 3. Rewrite the expressions as two factors, one having a "+" and the other having a "-".

Example: Factor $y^2 - 25$ 2. y 5 3. (y + 5)(y - 5)

Factor the following

1. $x^2 - 4$ 2. $x^2 - 36$ 4. $Z^2 - 100$ 3. $y^2 - 81$ 5. $144 - x^2$ 6. $49 - t^2$ 7. $4 - 25x^2$ 8. $36x^2 - 49$ 9. $4x^2 - 1$ 10. $2x^2 - 50$ 11. $3x^2 - 12$ 12. $3x^3 - 12x$ 13. $m^8 - 1$ 14. $x^2 + 81$