

# √ SQUARE ROOTS

$4^2$  → EXPONENT → THE # OF TIMES THE BASE APPEARS IN THE MULTIPLICATION EXPRESSION  
 $4$  → BASE → THE # BEING MULTIPLIED

**SQUARE ROOT** OF A NUMBER → A # THAT CAN BE MULTIPLIED BY ITSELF TO FIND ORIGINAL NUMBER.

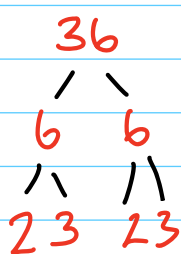
$\sqrt{9}$  → "SQUARE ROOT OF 9" → EQUALS 3  
 (The radical points to 9, which is the base)

CAN WE FIND THE SQ. ROOT OF A NEG. NUMBER?

$\sqrt{-9}$  **No** to multiply to  $(-9)$  you have  $(-3) \times (3)$  AND THOSE ARE 2 different  $(3) \times (-3)$  NUMBERS.

EQUATION	EXPONENT	ANSWER	√ANSWER
$1 \times 1$	$1^2$	1	1
$4 \times 4$	$4^2$	16	4

## PRIME FACTORIZATION FOR SQ. ROOTS (ALTERNATE METHOD)

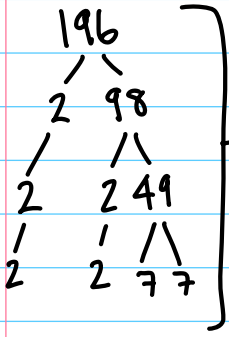


- BREAKING A # INTO ITS PRIME FACTORS
- USE A FACTOR TREE

SINCE  $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 = 36$ , WE CAN GROUP OUR PAIRS  
 $(2 \times 3) \times (2 \times 3) = 36$

TAKE ONE FROM EACH PAIR & MULTIPLY

$2 \times 3 = 6$  → THE SQUARE ROOT.



so... WE HAVE  $(2 \times 2)(7 \times 7) \rightarrow$  TAKE 1 FROM EACH PAIR & MULTIPLY

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \backslash \quad / \\
 2 \times 7 = 14 \\
 \sqrt{196} = 14
 \end{array}$$