Practice A

In Exercises 1-3, determine the number of real solutions of the equation. Then solve the equation using square roots.

1.
$$x^2 = 36$$

2.
$$x^2 = -16$$

3.
$$x^2 = 0$$

In Exercises 4–12, solve the equation using square roots.

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

5.
$$x^2 + 8 = 0$$

6.
$$2x^2 + 10 = 0$$

7.
$$x^2 - 24 = 40$$

8.
$$2x^2 - 72 = 0$$

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 8. $2x^2 - 72 = 0$ **9.** $-x^2 + 25 = 25$

10.
$$(x-4)^2=0$$

11.
$$(x+2)^2 = 9$$

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$$(x-4)^2 = 0$$
 11. $(x+2)^2 = 9$ **12.** $(3x+1)^2 = 49$

In Exercises 13-15, solve the equation using square roots. Round your solutions to the nearest hundredth.

13.
$$x^2 + 5 = 11$$

14.
$$x^2 - 8 = 10$$

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 15. $3x^2 - 1 = 14$

16. Describe and correct the error in solving the equation $x^2 - 9 = 16$ using square roots.

$$x^2 - 9 = 16$$

$$x - 3 = 4$$

$$x = 7$$

- 17. A rectangular box has a height of 7 centimeters and a volume of 336 cubic centimeters. The length of the box is three times the width.
 - **a.** Write an equation describing this situation.
 - **b.** Find the length and width of the box.
- **18.** Without graphing, where do the graphs of $y = x^2$ and y = 25 intersect? Explain.
- **19.** Without graphing, where do the graphs of $y = x^2$ and y = 1.21 intersect? Explain.