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**Geometry Notes CG - 6: Completing the Square**

Ex: For the circle  $(x-3)^2 + (y+5)^2 = 16$ , find

- a. The coordinates of the center:
- b. The length of the radius:

Ex: For the circle  $x^2 + y^2 + 8x - 12y + 3 = 0$ , find

- a. The coordinates of the center:
- b. The length of the radius:

Ex:  $x^2 + y^2 - 6y - 16 = 0$

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**Geometry HW: CG – 6**

1. Find the coordinates of the center and the length of the radius of the circle  $x^2 + 10x + y^2 - 8y + 5 = 0$ .
  
2. Find the coordinates of the center and the length of the radius of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 5y - 14 = 0$ .
  
3. Explain why the equation  $x^2 - 2x + y^2 + 6y + 14 = 0$  does *not* represent the equation of a circle.
  
4. Use completing the square to write the quadratic function  $y = x^2 - 12x + 24$  in vertex form  $y = (x - h)^2 + k$ . Give the coordinates of the vertex. Is it a maximum or a minimum for the function? How do you know?
  
6. a. Graph  $\triangle BUG$  having vertices  $B(-4, 1)$ ,  $U(8, 1)$  and  $T(8, 10)$ .  
  
b. The point  $I(5, 4)$  is called the *incenter* of the circle (more on that later in the course). Show that  $I$  is equidistant from sides  $\overline{BU}$  and  $\overline{UG}$ . Call that distance  $r$ . ( $I$  is also the same distance from the third side,  $\overline{BG}$ , but that is harder to figure out.)  
  
c. Write the equation of the circle having  $I$  as its center and radius  $r$ . Graph the circle. What is special about this circle?

7. a. What number is halfway between 4 and 10 on a number line?
- b. What number is halfway between  $-2$  and 8 on a number line?
- c. What number is halfway between 125 and 453 on a number line?
- d. What number is halfway between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  on a number line?