Quadratic Word Problems Worksheet Answers

1. Two consecutive integers have a product of 72. What are the two integers ?

$$x(x+1) = 72$$

$$x^2 + x = 72$$

$$x^2 + x - 72 = 0$$

$$(x+9)(x-8) = 0$$

 $x = -9$ and $x = 8$

Integers are 8 and 9

2. Two integers have a sum of 5 and a product of six. Find the two integers.

$$(5-y)(y)=6$$

$$xy = 6 \qquad \qquad 5y - y^2 = 6$$

$$x + y = 5$$
 $0 = y^2 - 5y + 6$

$$x = 5 - y$$
 $0 = (y - 2)(y - 3)$

$$y = 2, y = 3$$

Integers are 2 and 3

3. Two negative integers have a sum of -10 and a product of 24. Find the two integers.

$$(x)(-10-x)=24$$

$$xy = 24$$
 $-10x - x^2 = 24$

$$x + y = -10 \qquad 0 = x^2 + 10x + 24$$

$$y = -10 - x$$
 $0 = (x + 4)(x + 6)$

$$x = -4, x = -6$$

Integers are (-4) and (-6)