10.8 Equations of Circles Guided Notes

Objective: *To be able to write the equation circles and graph circles.*

Standard Equation of a Circle: $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$

Things to Notice

- 1. Center at point (h, k)
- 2. Radius r
- 3. The terms being squared are not expanded.
- 4. The Signs!!!

Write the equation for each circle.

1) Center at (-2, 3), r = 5

2) Center at (-2, -6), d = 8

- $(x-h)^{2} + (y-k)^{2} = r^{2}$ $(x+2)^{2} + (y-3)^{2} = 5^{2}$ $(x+2)^{2} + (y-3)^{2} = 25$ $(x-h)^{2} + (y-k)^{2} = r^{2}$ $(x+2)^{2} + (y+6)^{2} = 4^{2}$ $(x+2)^{2} + (y+6)^{2} = 16$
- 3) Center at $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$, $r = \sqrt{3}$

$$(x - h)^{2} + (y - k)^{2} = r^{2}$$

$$(x + \frac{1}{2})^{2} + (y - \frac{1}{4})^{2} = (\sqrt{3})^{2}$$

$$(x + \frac{1}{2})^{2} + (y - \frac{1}{4})^{2} = 3$$

4) A diameter has endpoint at (-7, -2) and (-15, 6)

*Find Midpoint, then find distance from One of the endpoints to the center.

$$\begin{aligned} midpoint &= \left(\frac{(-7 \pm 15)}{2}, \frac{(-2 + 6)}{2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-22}{2}, \frac{4}{2}\right) \\ &= (-11, 2) \\ Distance &= \sqrt{(-11 + 7)^2 + (2 + 2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (4)^2} \quad (x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2 \\ &= \sqrt{16 + 16} \quad (x + 11)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = (\sqrt{32})^2 \\ &= \sqrt{32} \quad (x + 11)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 32 \end{aligned}$$

5) Center is in the third quadrant, d = 14, and has tangent lines x = 4, y = -1.



$$r = \sqrt{(2-2)^2 + (2-5)^2}$$

= $\sqrt{(0)^2 + (-3)^2}$
= $\sqrt{0+9}$
= $\sqrt{9}$
= 3



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