

# 08 Topic: Radical Equations, Imaginary, Complex Numbers

Content Area: **Mathematics**  
Course(s): **Algebra 2**  
Time Period: **Semester 1**  
Length: **2 weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Standards

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MA.K-12.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
MA.N-CN.A.1	Know there is a complex number $i$ such that $i^2 = -1$ , and every complex number has the form $a + bi$ with $a$ and $b$ real.
MA.N-CN.A.2	Use the relation $i^2 = -1$ and the commutative, associative, and distributive properties to add, subtract, and multiply complex numbers.
MA.N-CN.A.3	Find the conjugate of a complex number; use conjugates to find moduli and quotients of complex numbers.
MA.N-CN.B	Represent complex numbers and their operations on the complex plane.
MA.A-REI.A.2	Solve simple rational and radical equations in one variable, and give examples showing how extraneous solutions may arise.

## Enduring Understandings

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1. Mathematics is a language consisting of symbols and rules.
2. The same mathematical ideas can be represented concretely or symbolically.
3. There can be different strategies to solve a problem, but some are more effective and efficient than others.

## Essential Questions

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1. Which operations and equivalences will simplify and help me solve the problem?
2. How is thinking algebraically different from thinking arithmetically?
3. How does explaining my process help me to understand a problem's solution better?
4. What is meant by equality?

## Knowledge and Skills

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- Simplify expressions with  $i$
- Simplify higher powers of  $i$
- Understand Complex Numbers
- Add, Subtract, Multiply, and Divide complex numbers
- Divide and rationalize imaginary and complex number denominators

## **Transfer Goals**

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Using mathematical reasoning and strategic thinking can allow for practical solutions of many problems.

Often unique vocabulary and implementation methods are needed to solve problems.

## **Resources**

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1. McDougal/Littell - Algebra & Trigonometry Structure & Method Book 2
2. Aufmann/Barker/Lockwood - Intermediate Algebra with Applications Sixth Edition
3. Houghton/Mifflin/Harcourt - On Core Mathematics Algebra 2
4. Holt - Algebra 2 with Trigonometry
5. Larson/Boswell - Big Ideas Math: Algebra 2 Texas Edition
6. [Khan Academy](#)
7. [PurpleMath](#)
8. [KutaSoftware](#)
9. [CK-12](#)
10. [Quizlet](#)
11. [Albert I/O](#)
12. [Desmos](#)
13. [Problem Attic](#)

