

## Converting General Form to Standard Form

Now **complete the square** to rewrite the following equations in standard form. An example is shown below:

**Example:**

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 6y - 56 = 0$$

*Move the constant*

$$+ 56 \quad + 56$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 6y = 56$$

*Group like terms together*

$$(x^2 - 8x) + (y^2 + 6y) = 56$$

*Take half of the middle*

$$\left(x^2 - 8x + \left(\frac{-8}{2}\right)^2\right) + \left(y^2 + 6y + \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2\right) = 56 + \left(\frac{-8}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)^2$$

*coefficient, square it and*

*add it to both sides*

*Factor as a binomial squared,  
and simplify the squared terms*

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 56 + (-4)^2 + (3)^2$$

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 56 + 16 + 9$$

*Simplify*

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 81$$

**Guided Practice:** Change the following equations to standard form. Then, identify the radius and center.

1.  $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 10y = -22$

2.  $x^2 + y^2 + 14y + 24 = 0$

Standard Form: \_\_\_\_\_

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Radius: \_\_\_\_\_ Center: \_\_\_\_\_

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**On your own:** Rewrite in Standard form for a circle:  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$ . Then, state the radius and center.

1.  $x^2 + y^2 + 8x = 84$

2.  $x^2 + y^2 - 18y + 65 = 0$

3.  $x^2 + y^2 + 20x - 26y + 268 = 0$

4.  $x^2 + y^2 + 14x - 22y + 134 = 0$