1. Complete the square for the following expressions.

(a)
$$x^2 - 6x + 15$$
 $(x-3)^2 + 6$

(b)
$$x^2 + 2x - 8$$
 $(x+1)^2 - 9$

(c)
$$4x^2 - 8x + 3$$
 $4(x-1)^2 - 1$

2. Complete the square for the following equations. (Bonus: Solve the equations.)

(a)
$$x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0$$
 $(x - 4)^2 = 4$ Solutions: $x = 2$ or $x = 6$

(b)
$$x^2 + 3x - 6 = 0$$
 $\left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{33}{4}$ Solutions: $x = -\frac{3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}$

(c)
$$-3x^2 - 6x + 15 = 0$$
 $(x+1)^2 = 6$ Solutions: $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{6}$

3. Find the center and radius of the circles represented by the following equations.

Hint: Use the method of completing the square to rewrite the equation in the form

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

where (h, k) is the center and r is the radius.

(a)
$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y = 0$$

 $(x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 5^2$ center: (3, 4), radius: 5

(b)
$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y = 11$$

 $(x-2)^2 + (y-1)^2 = 4^2$ center: (2,1), radius: 4

(c)
$$2x^2 + 2y^2 + 4x + 8y - 20 = 0$$

 $(x+1)^2 + (y+2)^2 = \sqrt{15}^2$ center: $(-1, -2)$, radius: $\sqrt{15}$