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Chapter 2 Problem Solving Set B:

Bronze:

a) $2kx^2 + 4x + k = 0$ → using the discriminant

$$(4)^2 - 4(2k)(k) = 0$$
$$16 - 4(2k^2) = 0$$
$$\underline{16 - 8k^2 = 0}$$

b) $16 - 8k^2 = 0$

$$8k^2 = 16$$
$$k^2 = 2$$
$$\underline{k = \pm 2}$$

Silver:

$3x^2 + px + 2p = 0$ → using the discriminant

$$(p)^2 - 4(3)(2p) = 0$$
$$p^2 - 4(6p) = 0$$
$$p^2 - 24p = 0$$

$$p^2 - 24p = 0$$
$$p^2 = 24p$$
$$\underline{p = 24}$$

Gold:

$$\frac{3 - x^2}{x + 2} = q$$

$$3 - x^2 = q(x + 2)$$
$$3 - x^2 = qx + 2q$$

$x^2 + qx + (2q - 3) = 0$ → using the discriminant

$$(q)^2 - 4(1)(2q - 3) = 0$$
$$q^2 - 4(2q - 3) = 0$$
$$q^2 - 8q + 12 = 0$$

$$(q - 6)(q - 2) = 0$$
$$\underline{q = 6} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{q = 2}$$