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$$2x^2 + 13x + 15$$

Step 1: Find positive factors of *a*·*c* 

Step 3: Split the Middle *b* term

Step 4: Factor by Grouping

$$6x^2 + 11x + 4$$

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Step 2: c is positive  $\Rightarrow$  same sign

$$5x^2 + 9x + 4$$

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$$2x^2 + 9x + 9$$

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$$2x^2 - 9x + 9$$

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$$3x^2 - 14x + 8$$

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$$4x^2 - 7x + 3$$

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