Quiz #8B for Math 250:1 & 5

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In these problems, A is the 4×4 matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

1. (8) a) Find the characteristic polynomial of A and the eigenvalues of A.

b) Find a basis for each eigenspace of A.

2. (2) Can A be diagonalized? Briefly support your assertion with some reasoning. **Answer** YES/NO (circle one)