

1. (2 pts each) Evaluate each of the following:

a. -5^2

$= -25$

b. $(-5)^2$

$= 25$

c. -5^3

$= -125$

d. $(-5)^3$

$= -125$

e. -5^0

$= -1$

f. $(-5)^0$

$= 1$

2. (2 pts each) Simplify each of the following and writing using positive exponents.

a. $\frac{3a^{-5}b^3}{18a^2b^{-3}} = \frac{1}{6} a^{-5-2} b^{3-(-3)} = \frac{1}{6} a^{-7} b^6 = \frac{b^6}{6a^7}$

b. $\left(\frac{2^3x^{-1}y^5}{6^{-2}x^2y^{-1}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2^3}{(2 \cdot 3)^{-2}} x^{-1-2} y^{5-(-1)}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2^3}{2^{-2} \cdot 3^{-2}} \cdot x^{-3} y^6\right)^2$
 $= \left(\frac{2^5}{3^{-2}}\right)^2 (x^{-3})^2 (y^6)^2 = \frac{2^{10}}{3^{-4}} x^{-6} y^{12} = \frac{2^{10} \cdot 3^4 y^{12}}{x^6}$

c. $\frac{(2^3x^{-1}y^5)^3}{(6^{-2}x^2y^{-1})^{-2}} = \frac{2^9x^{-3}y^{15}}{6^4x^{-4}y^2} = \frac{2^9}{(2 \cdot 3)^4} x^{-3-(-4)} y^{15-2}$
 $= \frac{2^9}{2^4 \cdot 3^4} x^1 y^{13} = \frac{2^5}{3^4} xy^{13}$

d. $5^{-1} - 2^{-3} = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{8-5}{40} = \frac{3}{40}$

3. (2 pts each) Write each of the following in standard notation:

a. $9.1 \times 10^{-5} = .000091$
~~00,000,009.1~~

b. $1.9 \times 10^8 = 190,000,000$
~~1.9000000000~~

4. (2 pts each) Write each of the following in scientific notation:

a. $0.0000003278 = 3.278 \times 10^{-7}$

b. $1,333,564 = 1.333564 \times 10^6$

5. (2 pts each) Simplify. Express final answer in scientific notation.

a. $\frac{1.2 \times 10^{22}}{3 \times 10^{-3}} = .4 \times 10^{25}$
 $= 4 \times 10^{24}$

b. $(5.3 \times 10^6)(8 \times 10^{-3}) =$
 $42.4 \times 10^3 = 4.24 \times 10^4$

6. (2 pts each) Let $P(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 7$. Find each of the following:

a. $P(2) = 2(2)^2 - 3(2) + 7 = 8 - 6 + 7 = 9$

b. $P\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 7 = 2\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) - 1 + 7$
 $= \frac{2}{9} + 6 = \frac{2}{9} + \frac{54}{9} = \frac{56}{9}$

7. (2 pts each) Perform the indicated operations:

a. $(x+5)(x-7) = x^2 - 7x + 5x - 35 = x^2 - 2x - 35$

b. $(x+2)(x^2 - 5x + 4) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 4x$
 $+ 2x^2 - 10x + 8$
 $x^3 - 3x^2 - 6x + 8$

c. $(3x+2)(3x-2) = (3x)^2 - (2)^2 = \boxed{9x^2 - 4}$

d. $(3x-2)^2 = (3x)^2 - 2(3x)(2) + 2^2 = \boxed{9x^2 - 12x + 4}$

8. (2 pts each) Factor out the GCF:

a. $5x^5 - 15x^4 + 20x^3$
 $= 5x^3(x^2 - 3x + 4)$

b. $6x(4x+3) - 5(4x+3)$
 $= (4x+3)(6x-5)$

9. (5 pts each) Factor by grouping:

a. $24x^2 + 18x - 20x - 15$
 $= 6x(4x+3) - 5(4x+3) = \boxed{(4x+3)(6x-5)}$

b. $10x^2 - 20x - x + 2$
 $= 10x(x-2) - 1(x-2) = \boxed{(x-2)(10x-1)}$

4, 9
 1, 5
 9, 5
 1, 0
 2, 5
 3, 1, 8
 14
 72
 180

10. (5 pts each) Factor each trinomial.

a. $x^2 + 3x - 18 = \boxed{(x+6)(x-3)}$

$(12)(-21) = (2)(2)(3)(-1)(3)(7) = -252$
 $+18 - 14$

b. $12x^2 + 4x - 21$

$12x^2 + 18x - 14x - 21$
 $= 6x(2x+3) - 7(2x+3)$
 $= \boxed{(2x+3)(6x-7)}$

$4 = 5 - 1 - 5$
 $= 14 - 10 - 140$
 $= 24 - 20 - 480$
 $= 20 - 16 - 320$
 $= 19 - 15 - 285$
 $= 18 - 14 - 252 ✓$

c. $x^2 - 8x + 16 = (x-4)^2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 150} \\ \underline{300} \\ 565 \\ \underline{500} \\ 65 \\ \underline{60} \\ 5 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 96} \\ \underline{48} \\ 24 \\ \underline{24} \\ 0 \\ 2 \overline{) 12} \\ \underline{6} \\ 6 \\ \underline{6} \\ 0 \\ 2 \overline{) 6} \\ \underline{3} \\ 3 \end{array}$$

GCF = 6

11. (4 pts each) Factor each binomial.

a. $x^2 - 16 = (x - 4)(x + 4)$

b. $150x^2 - 96 = 6(25x^2 - 16)$
 $= 6(5x - 4)(5x + 4)$

c. $3y^3 + 81 = 3(y^3 + 27) = 3(y^3 + 3^3) = 3(y + 3)(y^2 - 3y + 9)$

12. (5 pts each) Solve each of the following equations by factoring.

a. $x^2 + 3x - 18 = 0$

$(x + 6)(x - 3) = 0$

$x \in \{-6, 3\}$

b. $(2x + 1)(x + 1) = 3$

$2x^2 + 2x + x + 1 = 3$

$2x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$

$(2x - 1)(x + 2) = 0$

$2x - 1 = 0$

$x + 2 = 0$

$x = -2$

$2x = 1$

$x = \frac{1}{2}$

$x \in \{-2, \frac{1}{2}\}$

13. (5 pts) Amanda can clean the windows of Benedetto's trophy home in 12 hours. Steve, a much lazier window washer, can do the job in 15 hours. Steve doesn't show up until ~~10:00 a.m.~~ 9:00 a.m. to help. Amanda starts a 6 a.m. What time will the job be finished?

Let x = the amt of time Amanda spends working (in hrs)

y = " " " " Steve " " " "

Then $y = x - 3$

$\frac{1}{12}x + \frac{1}{15}(x - 3) = 1$ LCD = 60

$5x + 4(x - 3) = 60$

$5x + x - 12 = 60$

$9x = 72$

$x = 8$ hrs \Rightarrow

Amanda's done @ 2 PM

6 am + 8 hrs =

14:00, or 2 PM