

Relevant Vocabulary

COEFFICIENT OF A MONOMIAL: The *coefficient of a monomial* is the value of the numerical expression found by substituting the number 1 into all the variable symbols in the monomial. The coefficient of $3x^2$ is 3, and the coefficient of the monomial $(3xyz) \cdot 4$ is 12.

TERMS OF A POLYNOMIAL: When a polynomial is expressed as a monomial or a sum of monomials, each monomial in the sum is called a *term* of the polynomial.

LIKE TERMS OF A POLYNOMIAL: Two terms of a polynomial that have the same variable symbols each raised to the same power are called *like terms*.

Homework

1. Complete the following statements by filling in the blanks.

- a. $(a + b)(c + d + e) = ac + ad + ae + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$
- b. $(w - 1)(1 + w + w^2) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} - 1$
- c. $(2x + 5y)(2x - 5y) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$
- d. $(2^{21} - 1)(2^{21} + 1) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} - 1$

2. Use the tabular method to multiply and combine like terms.

- a. $(x^2 - 4x + 4)(x + 3)$
- b. $(11 - 15x - 7x^2)(25 - 16x^2)$
- c. $(3m^3 + m^2 - 2m - 5)(m^2 - 5m - 6)$
- d. $(x^2 - 3x + 9)(x^2 + 3x + 9)$

3. Multiply and combine like terms to simplify. Choose at least 1 from each box (for a total of 5). Answer on a separate paper.

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| a. $2a(5 + 4a)$ |
| c. $\frac{1}{8}(96z + 24z^2)$ |
| e. $(x - 4)(x + 5)$ |
| g. $(3z^2 - 8)(3z^2 + 8)$ |
| i. $8y^{1000}(y^{12200} + 0.125y)$ |
| k. $(t - 1)(t + 1)(t^2 + 1)$ |
| m. $(x + 2)(x + 2)(x + 2)$ |
| o. $n(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)$ |
| q. $(x + 1)(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$ |
| s. $(x + 1)(x^7 - x^6 + x^5 - x^4 + x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$ |

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| b. $x^3(x + 6) + 9$ |
| d. $2^{23}(2^{84} - 2^{81})$ |
| f. $(10w - 1)(10w + 1)$ |
| h. $(-5w - 3)w^2$ |
| j. $(2r + 1)(2r^2 + 1)$ |
| l. $(w - 1)(w^5 + w^4 + w^3 + w^2 + w + 1)$ |
| n. $n(n + 1)(n + 2)$ |
| p. $n(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)(n + 4)$ |
| r. $(x + 1)(x^5 - x^4 + x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$ |
| t. $(m^3 - 2m + 1)(m^2 - m + 2)$ |