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# COMBINING TERMS



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# Learning Objectives

You are expected to:

- **rewrite** an expression using distributive property
- **rewrite** an expression by combining terms



# RECALL about Evaluate Expression

1. Replace the variables with their corresponding given values.
2. Calculate the numerical expression using the **order of operations**.



## Evaluate Expressions

$$4a^3 - 2b \text{ when } a = 2, b = -3$$

$$= 4(2)^3 - 2(-3)$$

$$= 4(8) - 2(-3)$$

$$= 32 - (-6)$$

$$= 38$$

Put parentheses where variable are.

Then substitute values.

Follow order of operations.



## CHECK Understanding: Evaluate Expressions

Evaluate the expression  $4(a + b)$  when  $a = 3$  and  $b = -2$ !

- a) 4
- b) -4
- c) 12
- d) 2



# COMBINING TERMS

**Terms:** The addends in an expression that is a sum.

$$3x^2 + 4x + 5$$

$$2m - 7n$$

Sign stays with the number that comes after it!

**Coefficient:** The numerical factor in a term.

$$5x^2 \quad \text{Coefficient is } 5.$$

$$-3m \quad \text{Coefficient is } -3.$$

$$y \quad \text{Coefficient is } 1.$$

$$-n \quad \text{Coefficient is } -1.$$



# COMBINING LIKE TERMS

**Like terms:** Terms that have the **same variable(s)** raised to the **same exponents**, or **constant terms**.

## Like terms

$4x$  and  $7x$

$5y^2$  and  $10y^2$

$8xy$  and  $12xy$

$7$  and  $15$

## Unlike terms

$2x$  and  $8y$

$7t^3$  and  $3t^2$

$x^2y$  and  $xy^2$

$13$  and  $15x$

*different variables*

*different exponents*

*different exponents*

*different variables*





# COMBINING LIKE TERMS

To combine like terms,

- add or subtract the coefficients
- keep the variables and their exponents the same.

$$10y + 8y = 18y$$

$$8x - 3x = 5x$$

$$13y^2 - y^2 = 13y^2 - 1y^2 = 12y^2$$



# COMBINING LIKE TERMS

$$5y^2 + 6 + 4y^2 - 7$$

Rewrite. Keep the sign with the number that comes after it.

$$= \underbrace{5y^2 + 4y^2} + \underbrace{6 - 7}$$

Combine like terms.

$$= 9y^2 - 1$$

$$\cancel{18y} + \cancel{7x} - \cancel{y} - \cancel{7x}$$

$$= 17y + 0$$

$$= 17y$$



## CHECK Understanding: Combining Terms

Simplify:  $7x + 8 - 2x - 4$

- a)  $9x - 4$
- b)  $9x + 4$
- c)  $5x - 4$
- d)  $5x + 4$



# DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTY

*The Distributive Property of Multiplication over Addition*

$$a(b + c) = ab + ac$$

$$2(5 + 6) = 2(11) \\ = 22$$

$$2(5 + 6) = 2 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 6 \\ = 10 + 12 \\ = 22$$

When **evaluating**, don't use the distributive property!!  
Follow the order of operations.



# DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTY

$$2(x + y) = 2x + 2y$$

$$-2(-3a - 5b) = 6a + 10b$$

Sign stays with the number that comes after it!

$$-3(2x - y) = -3(2x - 1y) = -6x + 3y$$

$$-(5y + 8) = -1(5y + 8) = -5y - 8$$





## Example: Distributive Property

Simplify the expression  $-6(x + 7) + 2(x - 4)$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} -6(x + 7) + 2(x - 4) &= -6x - 42 + 2x - 8 && \text{Distributive Property} \\ &= -4x - 50 \end{aligned}$$



# Expanding Algebra Expression

## Expanding Single Brackets

You can 'expand' an expression by multiplying the terms *inside* the bracket by the term *outside*.

$$\text{a) } 5(2x + 3) = 10x + 15$$

$$\text{b) } -3x(7x - 4) = -21x^2 + 12x$$

$$\text{c) } y^2(3 - 2y^3) = 3y^2 - 2y^5$$

$$\text{d) } 4x(3x - 2x^2 + 5x^3) \\ = 12x^2 - 8x^3 + 20x^4$$

$$\text{e) } 2x(5x + 3) - 5(2x + 3) \\ = 10x^2 + 6x - 10x - 15 \\ = 10x^2 - 4x - 15$$



# Factorising Algebra Expression

## Factorising single brackets

Factorising is the opposite of expanding brackets. An expression is put into brackets by looking for common factors.

	<u>Common</u>	
	<u>Factor</u>	
a) $3x + 9$	3	$= 3(x + 3)$
b) $x^2 - 5x$	x	$= x(x - 5)$
c) $8x^2 + 20x$	4x	$= 4x(2x + 5)$
d) $9x^2y + 15xy^2$	3xy	$= 3xy(3x + 5y)$
e) $3x^2 - 9xy$	3x	$= 3x(x - 3y)$

You'll learn the factorizing algebra expression more detail on next presentation.







Thanks  
for your attention