

Warm Up

Simplify

1) $(4x - 7)^2$

$$16x^2 - 56x + 49$$

Change to Radical form

2) $(7x^2)^{1/6}$

$$\sqrt[6]{(7x^2)^1} = \sqrt[6]{7x^2}$$



3-1 Factoring (GCF and Grouping)

Objectives:

I can factor the greatest common factor out of an expression.

I can factor an expression by grouping.

Vocabulary: Factors, Greatest Common Factor

Find the greatest common factor (GCF) of the terms

$4x, 12$

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \cdot 2 \cdot x \\ 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \end{array}$$

$6x^3, 12x^2, 15x$

$$\begin{array}{c} 3 \cdot 2 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \\ 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot x \cdot x \\ 5 \cdot 3 \cdot x \end{array} \quad 3x$$

$$\underline{4}x^{\textcircled{3}}y^{\textcircled{4}}, \underline{8}x^{\textcircled{2}}y^{\textcircled{3}}, \underline{12}x^{\textcircled{0}}y^{\textcircled{2}}$$

$4xy^2$

You Try

Find the greatest common factor (GCF) of the terms

$$3x^3y^5, 9x^2y^3, 12xy^4$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \cancel{3}x\cancel{x}\cancel{x} & \cancel{3}y\cancel{y}\cancel{y}y & \\
 \cancel{3}x\cancel{x} & \cancel{3}y\cancel{y} & \\
 \cancel{3}x & \cancel{3}y\cancel{y}y & \\
 4 & &
 \end{array}$$

$$3xy^3$$

Factor out the GCF

$$4a^2b^2 - 10ab^3 + 18a^3b^4$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \rightarrow 2 \cdot 2 \quad a a \quad b b \\ 5 \cdot 2 \quad a \quad b b b \\ 9 \cdot 2 \quad a a a \quad b b b b \end{array}$$

$$2ab^2(2a - 5b + 9a^2b^2)$$

You Try

Factor out the GCF

$$\frac{6y^3}{2y} - \frac{14y^2}{2y} + \frac{10y}{2y}$$

$$2y(3y^2 - 7y + 5)$$

Factor out the GCF

$$\underline{4x^3} + \underline{6x^2} + 2x$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2 \cdot 2 \quad \times \times \times \\ 3 \cdot 2 \quad \times \times \\ 1 \cdot 2 \quad \times \end{array}$$

$$2x(2x^2 + 3x + 1)$$

Factor out the GCF

$$-2b^3 + 10b^2 + 8b$$

$$-2b(b^2 - 5b - 4) = 2b(-b^2 + 5b + 4)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2b^3 \\ -5 \cdot 2b^2 \\ -4 \cdot 2b \end{array}$$

You Try

Factor out the GCF

$$-5y^2 + 10y$$

$$5y(-y + 2)$$

$$-5y(y - 2)$$