

Do Now:

a) Simplify: $(4x^3y - 2x^4 + 2x) \div 2x$

b) Find the **greatest** common factor: 4 and 10

c) Find the **greatest** common factor: x and x^2

Aim: How do we factor using the G.C.F method?

Greatest Common Factor: _____

EXAMPLES:

(a) x^3 and x^5

(b) $8x^4y^9$ and $20x^4y^6$

#	G.C.F	<u>Question</u>	<u>Check</u>
1.		$2a + 2b$	
2.		$ab + bc$	

Steps for Factoring G.C.F:

- 1.) _____
 - a. Look for the _____ numerical coefficient
 - b. Look for common variable with the _____ exponent.
- 2.) Put the **G.C.F** on the outside of parenthesis
- 3.) Divide each term by the **G.C.F**
- 4.) Put the quotient on the inside of parenthesis.
- 5.) Check your answer by distributing.

3. $7x - 7y$

4. $4x - 16$

5. $2m^5 + 4m$

6. $x^2 - x^5$

7. $4x^{10} - 12x^8$

8. $8y^9 - 2y^4$

9. $5y^2 + 2y$

10. $3x^2 - 9x$

11. $3x - 6x^2$

12. $15y^2 - 5y$

13. Which are factors of $15y^2 - 5y$?

- 1) $5y - 1$ and $3y + 5$
- 2) $5y$ and $3y - 1$
- 3) $5y$ and $3y$
- 4) $5y - y$ and $3y + 5$

14. One of factors of $3x^3 - 6x^2$ is

- 1) $3x^2$
- 2) $3x^3$
- 3) $-6x^2$
- 4) $(x - 6x^2)$

