

Name: _____
Unit 7- Factoring

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Lesson 1

Do Now:

a) Simplify: $\frac{4x^3y - 2x^4 + 2x}{2x}$

$$2x^2y - x^3 + 1$$

b) Find the greatest common factor: 4 and 10

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

x

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

Greatest Common Factor: highest # that can be divided evenly into the #'s given

EXAMPLES:

(a) x^3 and x^5

$$\begin{array}{c} x \cdot x \cdot x \rightarrow x^3 \\ x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \rightarrow x^5 \\ \boxed{x^3} \end{array}$$

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

$$4x^4y^6$$

#	G.C.F	Question	Check
1.	2	$\frac{2a+2b}{2 \quad 2}$ $2(a+b)$	$2(a+b)$ $2a+2b \checkmark$
2.	b	$\frac{ab+bc}{b \quad b}$ $b(a+c)$	$b(a+c)$ $ab+bc \checkmark$

Steps for Factoring G.C.F:

1.) Determine the G.C.F

a. Look for the highest numerical coefficient

b. Look for common variable with the lowest 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. $\frac{7x - 7y}{7 \quad 7}$

$\boxed{7(x + y)}$

check: $\overbrace{7(x + y)}^{7x + 7y} \checkmark$

4. $\frac{4x - 16}{4 \quad 4}$

$\boxed{4(x + 4)}$

check: $4\overbrace{(x + 4)}^{4x + 16} \checkmark$

5. $\frac{2m^5 + 4m}{2m \quad 2m}$

$\boxed{2m(m^4 + 2)}$

6. $\frac{x^2 - x^5}{x^2 \quad x^2}$

$\boxed{x^2(1 - x^3)}$

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

$\boxed{4x^8(x^2 - 3)}$

8. $\frac{8y^9 - 2y^4}{2y^4 \quad 2y^4}$

$\boxed{2y^4(4y^5 - 1)}$

$$9. \frac{5y^2}{y} + \frac{2y}{y}$$

$$\boxed{y(5y+2)}$$

$$10. \frac{3x^2}{3x} - \frac{9x}{3x}$$

$$\boxed{3x(x-3)}$$

$$11. \frac{3x}{3x} - \frac{6x^2}{3x}$$

$$12. \frac{15y^2}{5y} - \frac{5y}{5y}$$

$$\boxed{3x(1-2x)}$$

$$\boxed{5y(3y-1)}$$

13. Which are factors of $\frac{15y^2}{5y} - \frac{5y}{5y}$?

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

(2) $5y$ and $3y-1$ $5y(3y-1)$

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) $(x-6x^2)$

$$\boxed{3x^2}$$

$$\boxed{3x^2(x-2)}$$