

Algebra 1.3

# Factors

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Do all odd numbered questions in Exercise 1.3

Using the highest common factor, factorise each of the following:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>1.</b> $5x^2 - 10x$            | <b>2.</b> $6ab - 12bc$            | <b>3.</b> $3x^2 - 6xy$         |
| <b>4.</b> $2x^2y - 6x^2z$         | <b>5.</b> $2a^3 - 4a^2 + 8a$      | <b>6.</b> $5xy^2 - 20x^2y$     |
| <b>7.</b> $2a^2b - 4ab^2 + 12abc$ | <b>8.</b> $3x^2y - 9xy^2 + 15xyz$ | <b>9.</b> $4\pi r^2 + 6\pi rh$ |

## HCF Method

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} & \quad 5x(x-2) \\ \textcircled{3} & \quad 3x(x-2y) \\ \textcircled{5} & \quad 2a(a^2-2a+4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{7} & \quad 2ab(a-2b+6c) \\ \textcircled{9} & \quad 2\pi r(2r+3h) \end{aligned}$$

## GROUPING METHOD

$$\textcircled{11} \quad x^2 - ax + 3x - 3a \\ x(x-a) + 3(x-a) \\ = (x-a)(x+3)$$

$$\textcircled{13} \quad 8ax + 4ay - 6bx - 3by \\ 4a(2x+y) - 3b(2x+y) \\ (4a-3b)(2x+y)$$

$$\textcircled{15} \quad 6xy + 12yz - 8xz - 9y^2 \\ 3y(2x-3y) + 4z(-3y-2x) \\ (3y-4z)(2x-3y)$$

$$\textcircled{17} \quad 3ax^2 - 3ay^2 - 4bx^2 + 4by^2 \\ 3a(x^2-y^2) - 4b(x^2-y^2) \\ (3a-4b)(x^2-y^2) \xleftarrow{\text{DIFF. 2 SQUARES}} \\ (3a-4b)(x+y)(x-y)$$

Using the difference of two squares, factorise the following:

18.  $a^2 - b^2$

19.  $x^2 - 4y^2$

20.  $9x^2 - y^2$

21.  $16x^2 - 25y^2$

22.  $36x^2 - 25$

23.  $1 - 36x^2$

24.  $49a^2 - 4b^2$

25.  $x^2y^2 - 1$

26.  $4a^2b^2 - 16c^2$

27.  $3x^2 - 27y^2$

28.  $45 - 5x^2$

29.  $45a^2 - 20$

30.  $(2x + y)^2 - 4$

31.  $(3a - 2b)^2 - 9$

32.  $a^4 - b^4$

⑯  $(x-2y)(x+2y)$

⑯  $(xy-1)(xy+1)$

⑯  $5(9a^2 - 4)$   
 $= 5(3a-2)(3a+2)$

⑰  $(4x-5y)(4x+5y)$

⑰  $3(x^2 - 9y^2)$

⑰  
 $(3a-2b-3)(3a-2b+3)$

⑯  $(1-6x)(1+6x)$

$= 3(x-3y)(x+3y)$

**33.**  $x^2 + 9x + 14$

$$(x + 7)(x + 2)$$

**35.**  $2x^2 + 11x + 14$

$$(2x + 7)(x + 2)$$

7x  
4x

**37.**  $x^2 - 11x + 28$

$$(x - 4)(x - 7)$$

**39.**  $3x^2 - 17x + 20$

$$(3x - 5)(x - 4)$$

-12x  
-5x

**41.**  $2x^2 - 7x - 15$

$$(2x + 3)(x - 5)$$

3x  
-10x

**43.**  $12x^2 - 11x - 5$

$$(4x - 5)(3x + 1)$$

-15x  
4x

FACTORS OF  $12x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &(12x)(x) \\ &(6x)(2x) \\ &(4x)(3x) \end{aligned}$$

FACTORS OF -5

$$\begin{aligned} &(1)(-5) \\ &(-1)(5) \end{aligned}$$

**45.**  $3x^2 + 13x - 10$

$$(3x - 2)(x + 5)$$

**47.**  $36x^2 - 7x - 4$

$$(9x - 4)(4x + 1)$$

$9x$   
 $-16x$

FACTORS OF  
 $36x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &(36x)(x) \\ &(18x)(2x) \\ &(12x)(3x) \\ &(9x)(4x) \quad \checkmark \\ &(6x)(6x) \end{aligned}$$

FACTORS OF  
 $-4$

$$\begin{aligned} &(1)(-4) \quad \checkmark \\ &(2)(-2) \\ &(-1)(4) \end{aligned}$$

**49.**  $6y^2 + 11y - 35$

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

$21y$   
 $-10y$

FACTORS OF  $6y^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &(6y)(y) \\ &(3y)(2y) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

FACTORS OF  $-35$

$$\begin{aligned} &(35)(-1) \\ &(7)(-5) \quad \checkmark \\ &(5)(-7) \\ &(1)(-35) \end{aligned}$$

**51.** Using the quadratic formula, factorise each of the following:

(i)  $x^2 + 3\sqrt{3}x + 6$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-3\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{(3\sqrt{3})^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-3\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{27 - 24}}{2} = \frac{-3\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$a = 1$

$b = 3\sqrt{3}$

$c = 6$

AND  $= \frac{-2\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3}$

$\Rightarrow = \frac{-4\sqrt{3}}{2} = -2\sqrt{3}$

These are the Solutions (or roots)

$\Rightarrow$  FACTORS ARE  $(x+2\sqrt{3})(x+\sqrt{3})$

**52.** Using both the sum and the difference of two cubes, factorise the following:

(i)  $a^3 + b^3$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$$

$$= (a+b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

52. Using both the sum and the difference of two cubes, factorise the following:

(ii)  $a^3 - b^3$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$$

$$= (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

52. Using both the sum and the difference of two cubes, factorise the following:

(iii)  $8x^3 + y^3$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$$

$$= (2x + y)(4x^2 - 2xy + y^2)$$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$$

- 53.** (i)  $27x^3 - y^3$       (ii)  $x^3 - 64$       (iii)  $8x^3 - 27y^3$

$$(i) = (3x - y)(9x^2 + 3xy + y^2)$$

$$(ii) = (x - 4)(x^2 + 4x + 16)$$

$$(iii) = (2x - 3y)(4x^2 + 6xy + 9y^2)$$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$$

- 54.** (i)  $8 + 27k^3$       (ii)  $64 - 125a^3$       (iii)  $27a^3 + 64b^3$

$$(i) = (2 + 3k)(4 - 6k + 9k^2)$$

$$(ii) = (4 - 5a)(16 + 20a + 25a^2)$$

$$(iii) = (3a + 4b)(9a^2 - 12ab + 16b^2)$$