

Practice Test - Chapter 5

Simplify.

1. $(3a)^2(7b)^4$

SOLUTION:

$$(3a)^2(7b)^4 = (3^2a^2)(7^4b^4) \quad \text{Power of a Product}$$

$$= (9a^2)(2401b^4) \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

$$= 21,609a^2b^4 \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

2. $(7x - 2)(2x + 5)$

SOLUTION:

$$(7x - 2)(2x + 5) = 14x^2 + 35x - 4x - 10 \quad \text{FOIL}$$

$$= 14x^2 + 31x - 10 \quad \text{Combine like terms.}$$

3. $(2x^2 + 3x - 4) - (4x^2 - 7x + 1)$

SOLUTION:

$$(2x^2 + 3x - 4) - (4x^2 - 7x + 1)$$

$$= 2x^2 + 3x - 4 - 4x^2 + 7x - 1 \quad \text{Distributive property}$$

$$= -2x^2 + 10x - 5 \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

4. $(4x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 4) + (5x - 10)$

SOLUTION:

$$(4x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 4) + (5x - 10)$$

$$= 4x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 4 + 5x - 10 \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

$$= 4x^3 - x^2 + 10x - 14 \quad \text{Combine like terms.}$$

5. $(x^4 + 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 3) \div (x + 3)$

SOLUTION:

$$(x^4 + 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 3) \div (x + 3)$$

$$= \frac{x^4 + 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 3}{x + 3} \quad \text{Write as a fraction.}$$

$$= \frac{(x + 3)(x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1)}{(x + 3)} \quad \text{Factor numerator.}$$

$$= x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1 \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

6. $(3x^3 - 5x^2 - 23x + 24) \div (x - 3)$

SOLUTION:

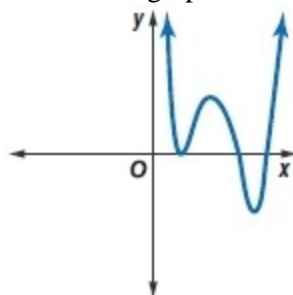
Use long division.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 + 4x - 11 \\ x - 3 \overline{) 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 23x + 24} \\ \underline{(-) 3x^3 - 9x^2} \\ 4x^2 - 23x \\ \underline{(-) 4x^2 - 12x} \\ -11x + 24 \\ \underline{(-) -11x + 33} \\ -9 \end{array}$$

The remainder is $\frac{9}{x-3}$ so

$$(3x^3 - 5x^2 - 23x + 24) \div (x - 3) = 3x^2 + 4x - 11 - \frac{9}{x-3}.$$

7. **MULTIPLE CHOICE** How many unique real zeros does the graph have?



A 0

B 2

C 3

D 5

SOLUTION:

The graph intersects the x -axis in three points. Therefore, it has three unique real zeros. Option C is the correct answer.

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8. If $c(x) = 3x^3 + 5x^2 - 4$, what is the value of $4c(3b)$?

SOLUTION:

Substitute $3b$ for x in the function and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} c(3b) &= 3(3b)^3 + 5(3b)^2 - 4 \\ &= 3(27b^3) + 5(9b^2) - 4 \\ &= 81b^3 + 45b^2 - 4 \end{aligned}$$

Multiply the function $c(3b)$ by 4.

$$\begin{aligned} 4c(3b) &= 4(81b^3 + 45b^2 - 4) \\ &= 324b^3 + 180b^2 - 16 \end{aligned}$$

Complete each of the following.

- Graph each function by making a table of values.
- Determine consecutive integer values of x between which each real zero is located.
- Estimate the x -coordinates at which the relative maxima and relative minima occur.

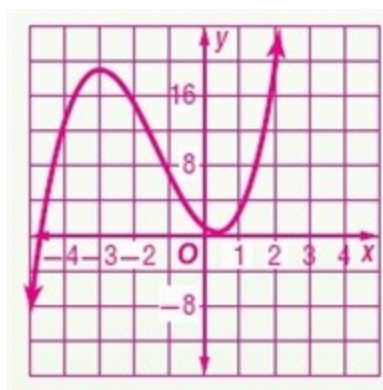
9. $g(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x + 1$

SOLUTION:

a. Substitute $-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$ and 3 for x and make the table.

x	$g(x)$	(x, y)
-5	$g(-5) = (-5)^3 + 4(-5)^2 - 3(-5) + 1$ = -9	$(-5, -9)$
-4	$g(-4) = (-4)^3 + 4(-4)^2 - 3(-4) + 1$ = 13	$(-4, 13)$
-3	$g(-3) = (-3)^3 + 4(-3)^2 - 3(-3) + 1$ = 19	$(-3, 19)$
-2	$g(-2) = (-2)^3 + 4(-2)^2 - 3(-2) + 1$ = 15	$(-2, 15)$
-1	$g(-1) = (-1)^3 + 4(-1)^2 - 3(-1) + 1$ = 7	$(-1, 7)$
0	$g(0) = (0)^3 + 4(0)^2 - 3(0) + 1$ = 1	$(0, 1)$
1	$g(1) = (1)^3 + 4(1)^2 - 3(1) + 1$ = 3	$(1, 3)$
2	$g(2) = (2)^3 + 4(2)^2 - 3(2) + 1$ = 19	$(2, 19)$
3	$g(3) = (3)^3 + 4(3)^2 - 3(3) + 1$ = 55	$(3, 55)$

Plot the points and connect the points as shown in the figure.



- The graph intersects the x -axis between -5 and -4 .
- The relative maximum at $x = -3$.
The relative minimum at $x \approx 0.3$.

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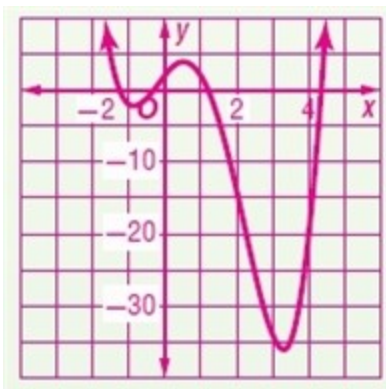
10. $h(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x + 2$

SOLUTION:

a. Substitute $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ and 5 for x and make the table.

x	$h(x)$	(x, y)
-2	$h(-2) = (-2)^4 - 4(-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 + 6(-2) + 2$ $= 26$	$(-2, 26)$
-1	$h(-1) = (-1)^4 - 4(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 + 6(-1) + 2$ $= -2$	$(-1, -2)$
0	$h(0) = (0)^4 - 4(0)^3 - 3(0)^2 + 6(0) + 2$ $= 2$	$(0, 2)$
1	$h(1) = (1)^4 - 4(1)^3 - 3(1)^2 + 6(1) + 2$ $= 2$	$(1, 2)$
2	$h(2) = (2)^4 - 4(2)^3 - 3(2)^2 + 6(2) + 2$ $= -14$	$(2, -14)$
3	$h(3) = (3)^4 - 4(3)^3 - 3(3)^2 + 6(3) + 2$ $= -34$	$(3, -34)$
4	$h(4) = (4)^4 - 4(4)^3 - 3(4)^2 + 6(4) + 2$ $= -22$	$(4, -22)$
5	$h(5) = (5)^4 - 4(5)^3 - 3(5)^2 + 6(5) + 2$ $= 82$	$(5, 82)$

Plot the points and connect the points as shown in the figure.



b. The graph intersects the x -axis between -2 and -1 , between -1 and 0 , between 1 and 2 , between 4 and 5 .

c. The relative maximum at $x \approx 0.5$.

The relative minimum at $x \approx -0.8$ and $x \approx 3.3$.

Factor completely. If the polynomial is not factorable, write *prime*.

11. $8y^4 + x^3y$

SOLUTION:

$$8y^4 + x^3y$$

$$= y(8y^3 + x^3) \quad \text{Factor the GCF.}$$

$$= y((2y)^3 + x^3) \quad \text{Replace } 8y^3 \text{ with } (2y)^3.$$

$$= y(2y+x)(4y^2 - 2xy + x^2) \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

12. $2x^2 + 2x + 1$

SOLUTION:

The polynomial cannot be factored so it is prime.

13. $a^2x + 3ax + 2x - a^2y - 3ay - 2y$

SOLUTION:

$$a^2x + 3ax + 2x - a^2y - 3ay - 2y$$

$$= (a^2x + 3ax + 2x) + (-a^2y - 3ay - 2y) \quad \text{Group to find a GCF.}$$

$$= x(a^2 + 3a + 2) - y(a^2 + 3a + 2) \quad \text{Factor.}$$

$$= (x - y)(a^2 + 3a + 2) \quad \text{Distributive Property}$$

$$= (x - y)(a + 1)(a + 2) \quad \text{Factor.}$$

Solve each equation.

14. $8x^3 + 1 = 0$

SOLUTION:

$$8x^3 + 1 = 0 \quad \text{Original equation}$$

$$(2x)^3 + 1^3 = 0 \quad \text{Rewrite as sum of 2 cubes.}$$

$$(2x + 1)(4x^2 - 2x + 1) = 0 \quad a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

By Zero Product Property:

$$4x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(4)(1)}}{2(4)} \quad \text{or} \quad 2x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 16}}{8} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

The solutions are $-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{4}$.

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$$15. x^4 - 11x^2 + 28 = 0$$

SOLUTION:

$$x^4 - 11x^2 + 28 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } y = x^2.$$

$$y^2 - 11y + 28 = 0 \quad \text{Original equation}$$

$$(y - 7)(y - 4) = 0 \quad \text{Factor.}$$

By Zero Product Property:

$$y - 7 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad y - 4 = 0$$

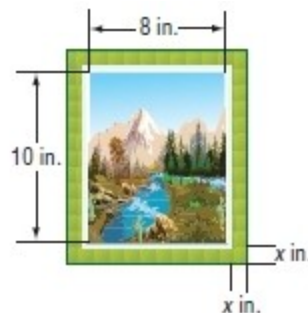
$$y = 7 \quad \text{or} \quad y = 4$$

$$x^2 = 7 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{7} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm 2$$

The solutions are $\pm\sqrt{7}, \pm 2$.

16. **FRAMING** The area of the picture and frame shown below is 168 square inches. What is the width of the frame?



SOLUTION:

The area of the picture and frame in terms of x is $(10 + 2x)(8 + 2x)$.

$$(10 + 2x)(8 + 2x) = 168 \quad \text{Write an equation.}$$

$$80 + 20x + 16x + 4x^2 = 168 \quad \text{FOIL}$$

$$4x^2 + 36x + 80 - 168 = 0 \quad \text{Combine like terms.}$$

$$4x^2 + 36x - 88 = 0 \quad \text{Combine like terms.}$$

$$4(x^2 + 9x - 22) = 0 \quad \text{Factor out GCF.}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 9x - 22 = 0 \quad \text{Zero Product Property}$$

Solve the equation $x^2 + 9x - 22 = 0$.

$$x^2 + 9x - 22 = 0$$

$$(x - 2)(x + 11) = 0$$

$$x = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -11$$

The value of x cannot be negative. Therefore, the width of the frame is 2 in.

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17. **MULTIPLE CHOICE** Let $f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 5x - 3$. Use synthetic substitution to find $f(-2)$.

F 7
G 7
H 33
J 21

SOLUTION:

$f(-2)$ is the remainder when the polynomial $f(x)$ divided by $x + 2$.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -2 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & -3 \\ & 0 & -2 & 10 & -20 & 30 \\ \hline & 1 & -5 & 10 & -15 & 27 \end{array}$$

Therefore, the remainder is 27.

That is, $f(-2) = 27$.

Option G is the correct answer.

Given a polynomial and one of its factors, find the remaining factors of the polynomial.

18. $2x^3 + 15x^2 + 22x - 15$; $x + 5$

SOLUTION:

Use Synthetic Division to complete the problem.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -5 & 2 & 15 & 22 & -15 \\ & 0 & -10 & -25 & 15 \\ \hline & 2 & 5 & -3 & 0 \end{array}$$

That is $(2x^3 + 15x^2 + 22x - 15) \div (x + 5) = (2x^2 + 5x - 3)$.

$$2x^2 + 5x - 3 = (2x - 1)(x + 3)$$

Therefore, the remaining factors are $(x + 3)$ and $(2x - 1)$.

19. $x^3 - 4x^2 + 10x - 12$; $x - 2$

SOLUTION:

Use Synthetic Division to complete the problem.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & -4 & 10 & -12 \\ & 0 & 2 & -4 & 12 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & 6 & 0 \end{array}$$

That is $(x^3 - 4x^2 + 10x - 12) \div (x - 2) = (x^2 - 2x + 6)$.

Therefore, the remaining factor is $x^2 - 2x + 6$.

State the possible number of positive real zeros, negative real zeros, and imaginary zeros of each function.

20. $p(x) = x^3 - x^2 - x - 3$

SOLUTION:

$$p(x) = x^3 - x^2 - x - 3$$

There is a sign change for the coefficient of $p(x)$. So, the function has 1 or zero positive real zeros.

$$p(-x) = -x^3 - x^2 + x - 3$$

There are 2 sign changes for the coefficient of $p(-x)$. So, the function has 2 or zero negative real zeros. Therefore, there are 1 positive, 2 or 0 negative real zeros, 2 or 0 imaginary zeros.

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$$21. p(x) = 2x^6 + 5x^4 - x^3 - 5x - 1$$

SOLUTION:

$$p(x) = 2x^6 + 5x^4 - x^3 - 5x - 1$$

There is a sign change for the coefficient of $p(x)$. So, the function has 1 positive real zeros.

$$p(-x) = 2x^6 + 5x^4 + x^3 + 5x - 1$$

There is a sign changes for the coefficient of $p(-x)$. So, the function has 1 or 0 negative real zeros. Since the function has degree 6, it will have 6 zeros. The function has 2 real zeros, so it will have 4 imaginary zeros.

Therefore, there are 1 positive, 1 negative real zeros, 4 imaginary zeros.

Find all zeros of each function.

$$22. p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6$$

SOLUTION:

$$p(-x) = -x^3 - 4x^2 - x + 6$$

There is a sign changes for the coefficient of $p(-x)$. So, the function has 1 negative real zeros.

$$p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6$$

There are 2 sign change for the coefficient of $p(x)$. So, the function has 2 or 0 positive real zeros. Since the function has degree 3, it will have 3 zeros. The function has 1 or 3 real zeros, so it will have 2 or 0 imaginary zeros.

Therefore, $p(x)$ has 2 positive and 1 negative real zeros or 1 negative and 2 imaginary zeros.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 1 & -4 & 1 & 6 \\ & 0 & -1 & 5 & -6 \\ \hline & 1 & -5 & 6 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6 \\ &= (x+1)(x^2 - 5x + 6) \\ &= (x+1)(x-2)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

Substitute 0 for $p(x)$ and solve for x .

$$\begin{array}{l} x+1=0 \text{ or } \quad x-2=0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-3=0 \\ x=-1 \text{ or } \quad x=2 \quad \quad \text{or} \quad x=3 \end{array}$$

Therefore, the zeros of the function are $-1, 2$ and 3 .

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23. $p(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x + 8$

SOLUTION:

$$p(-x) = -x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x + 8$$

There are 3 sign changes for the coefficient of $p(-x)$. So, the function has 3 or 1 or zero negative real zeros.

$$p(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x + 8$$

There is no sign change for the coefficient of $p(x)$. So, the function has 0 positive real zeros. Therefore, $p(x)$ has 3 negative real zeros or 1 negative and 2 imaginary zeros.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \\ & 0 & -2 & 0 & -8 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$$

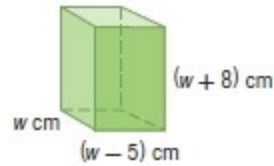
$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x + 8 \\ &= (x + 2)(x^2 + 4) \end{aligned}$$

Substitute 0 for $p(x)$ and solve for x .

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 4 &= 0 & \text{or} & & x + 2 &= 0 \\ x^2 &= -4 & \text{or} & & x &= -2 \\ x &= \pm 2i & \text{or} & & x &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the zeros of the function are $-2i$, $2i$ and -2 .

24. **GEOMETRY** The volume of the rectangular prism shown is 612 cubic centimeters. Find the dimensions of the prism.



SOLUTION:

The volume of the rectangular prism is $w(w + 8)(w - 5)$.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} w(w + 8)(w - 5) &= 612 \\ w(w^2 + 3w - 40) &= 612 \\ w^3 + 3w^2 - 40w - 612 &= 0 \\ (w - 9)(w^2 + 12w + 68) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

By Zero Product Property:

$$\begin{aligned} w - 9 &= 0 & \text{or} & & w^2 + 12w + 68 &= 0 \\ w &= 9 & \text{or} & & w &= \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{-128}}{2} \\ w &= 9 & \text{or} & & w &= -6 \pm 4i\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

The length should be real. Therefore, $w = 9$, $w + 8 = 17$, and $w - 5 = 4$.

The dimensions of the rectangular prism are 9cm by 17 cm by 4 cm.

25. List all possible rational zeros of $f(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^2 - 12x + 8$.

SOLUTION:

The factors of the constant term are 1, 2, 4 and 8. The factors of the leading coefficient are 1 and 2. Therefore, all possible rational zeros are

$$\pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8.$$