

PC #2 Review WS - Unit 6 Factoring

Factor the GCF out of each expression.

1) $-2b^2 + b^3 \quad b^3 - 2b^2$

$b^2(b - 2)$

2) $-9n + 6$

$-3(3n - 2)$

3) $-16b^3 - 8b^2 + 12b$

$-4b(4b^2 + 2b - 3)$

4) $6x^2 + 8x + 4$

$2(3x^2 + 4x + 2)$

Factor each completely.

5) $a^2 + 15a + 54$

$(a^2 + 6a) + (9a + 54)$
 $a(a+6) + 9(a+6)$
 $(a+9)(a+6)$

a	6
a^2	$6a$
$9a$	54

$(a+6)(a+9)$

6) $x^2 - 3x - 10$

-10
1 10
2 5

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

x	2
x^2	$2x$
-5	-10

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

7) $x^2 + 17x + 72$

$(x^2 + 8x) + (9x + 72)$
 $x(x+8) + 9(x+8)$
 $(x+9)(x+8)$

x	8
x^2	$8x$
$9x$	72

$(x+9)(x+8)$

8) $m^2 - 3m - 18$

-18
1 18
2 9
3 -6

$(m^2 + 3m) - (6m - 18)$
 $m(m+3) - 6(m+3)$
 $(m-6)(m+3)$

m	3
m^2	$3m$
-6	-18

$(m-6)(m+3)$

9) $3x^2 + 11x - 20$

$(3x^2 - 4x) + (15x - 20)$
 $x(3x-4) + 5(3x-4)$
 $(3x-4)(x+5)$

3x	-4
$3x^2$	$-4x$
$15x$	-20

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

10) $3a^2 - a - 2$

-6
1 6
2 -3

$(3a^2 + 2a) - (3a - 2)$
 $a(3a+2) - 1(3a+2)$
 $(a-1)(3a+2)$

3a	2
$3a^2$	$2a$
-1	-2

$(a-1)(3a+2)$

11) $2n^2 + 11n + 5$

$(2n^2 + n) + (10n + 5)$
 $n(2n+1) + 5(2n+1)$
 $(n+5)(2n+1)$

2n	1
$2n^2$	$1n$
$10n$	5

$(2n+1)(n+5)$

12) $42r^2 + 204r + 144$

GCF = 6

168
1 168
2 84
3 56
4 42
6 28
7 24
8 21
12 14

$6(7r^2 + 34r + 24)$
 $(7r^2 + 6r) + (28r + 24)$
 $r(7r+6) + 4(7r+6)$
 $6(r+4)(7r+6)$

7r	6
$7r^2$	$6r$
4	24

$6(r+4)(7r+6)$

13) $16k^2 - 25$
 $4k \quad 5$

$16k^2$	$20k$
$-20k$	-25

 $(16k^2 - 20k) + (20k - 25)$
 $4k(4k-5) + 5(4k-5)$
 $(4k+5)(4k-5)$

14) $p^2 - 4$
 $-4 \quad 2$

p^2	$-2p$
$2p$	-4

 $(p^2 - 2p) + (2p - 4)$
 $p(p-2) + 2(p-2)$
 $(p+2)(p-2)$

$p \quad -2$

p^2	$-2p$
$2p$	-4

 $(p-2)(p+2)$

15) $4n^2 + 12n + 9$
 $2n \quad 3$

$4n^2$	$6n$
$6n$	9

 $(4n^2 + 6n) + (6n + 9)$
 $2n(2n+3) + 3(2n+3)$
 $(2n+3)(2n+3)$
 $(2n+3)^2$

16) $16r^2 + 24r + 9$
 $4r \quad 3$

$16r^2$	$12r$
$12r$	9

 $(16r^2 + 12r) + (12r + 9)$
 $4r(4r+3) + 3(4r+3)$
 $(4r+3)(4r+3)$
 $(4r+3)^2$

$4r \quad 3$

$16r^2$	$12r$
$12r$	9

 $(4r+3)^2$

17) $(7x^3 - 2x^2) - 49x + 14$
 $7x \quad -2$

$7x^3$	$-2x^2$
$-49x$	14

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

18) $(4r^3 - 14r^2) - 6r + 21$
 $2r^2 \quad (2r-7)$
 $2r^2(2r-7) - 3(2r-7)$
 $(2r^2-3)(2r-7)$

$2r \quad -7$

$4r^3$	$-14r^2$
$-6r$	21

 $(2r-7)(2r^2-3)$

19) $(2a^3 + 3a^2) + 16a + 24$
 $a^2 \quad (2a+3)$

$2a^3$	$3a^2$
$16a$	24

 $a^2(2a+3) + 8(2a+3)$
 $(a^2+8)(2a+3)$
 $(2a+3)(a^2+8)$

20) $(x^3 - 3x^2) + 3x - 9$
 $x^2 \quad (x-3)$
 $x^2(x-3) + 3(x-3)$
 $(x^2+3)(x-3)$

$x \quad -3$

x^3	$-3x^2$
$3x$	-9

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

Solve each equation by factoring.

21) $x^2 + x - 42 = 0$
 -42

x^2	$-6x$
$7x$	-42

 $(x^2 - 6x) + (7x - 42) = 0$
 $x(x-6) + 7(x-6) = 0$
 $(x+7)(x-6) = 0$
 $x = -7, 6$

22) $3m^2 + 14m - 42 = 7$
 $-7 \quad -7$

$3m^2$	$-7m$
$21m$	-49

 $3m^2 + 14m - 49 = 0$
 $(3m^2 - 7m) + (21m - 49) = 0$
 $m(3m-7) + 7(3m-7) = 0$
 $(m+7)(3m-7) = 0$
 $m = -7, \frac{7}{3}$

23) $7a^2 - 11a - 2 = 4$
 -4

$7a^2$	$3a$
$-14a$	-6

 $7a^2 - 11a - 6 = 0$
 $(7a^2 + 3a) - (14a - 6) = 0$
 $a(7a+3) - 2(7a+3) = 0$
 $(a-2)(7a+3) = 0$
 $a-2=0 \quad 7a+3=0$
 $a=2 \quad a = -\frac{3}{7}$

24) $n^2 - 4n - 15 = 6$
 $-6 \quad -6$

n^2	$3n$
$-7n$	-21

 $n^2 - 4n - 21 = 0$
 $(n^2 + 3n) - 7(n+3) = 0$
 $n(n+3) - 7(n+3) = 0$
 $(n-7)(n+3) = 0$
 $n-7=0 \quad n+3=0$
 $n=7 \quad n=-3$