

**8-5 Study Guide and Intervention****#1 Using the Distributive Property**

**Use the Distributive Property to Factor** The Distributive Property has been used to multiply a polynomial by a monomial. It can also be used to express a polynomial in factored form. Compare the two columns in the table below.

Multiplying	Factoring
$3(a + b) = 3a + 3b$	$3a + 3b = 3(a + b)$
$x(y - z) = xy - xz$	$xy - xz = x(y - z)$
$6y(2x + 1) = 6y(2x) + 6y(1)$ $= 12xy + 6y$	$12xy + 6y = 6y(2x) + 6y(1)$ $= 6y(2x + 1)$

**Example 1 Use the Distributive Property to factor  $12mp + 80m^2$ .**

Find the GCF of  $12mp$  and  $80m^2$ .

$$12mp = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot m \cdot p$$

$$80m^2 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot m \cdot m$$

$$\text{GCF} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot m \text{ or } 4m$$

Write each term as the product of the GCF and its remaining factors.

$$\begin{aligned} 12mp + 80m^2 &= 4m(3 \cdot p) + 4m(2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot m) \\ &= 4m(3p) + 4m(20m) \\ &= 4m(3p + 20m) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } 12mp + 80m^2 = 4m(3p + 20m).$$

**Example 2 Factor**

**$6ax + 3ay + 2bx + by$  by grouping.**

$$\begin{aligned} 6ax + 3ay + 2bx + by & \\ &= (6ax + 3ay) + (2bx + by) \\ &= 3a(2x + y) + b(2x + y) \\ &= (3a + b)(2x + y) \end{aligned}$$

Check using the FOIL method.

$$\begin{aligned} (3a + b)(2x + y) & \\ &= 3a(2x) + 3a(y) + (b)(2x) + (b)(y) \\ &= 6ax + 3ay + 2bx + by \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

**Exercises**

**Factor each polynomial.**

1.  $24x + 48y$

2.  $30mp^2 + m^2p - 6p$

3.  $q^4 - 18q^3 + 22q$

4.  $9x^2 - 3x$

5.  $4m + 6p - 8mp$

6.  $45r^3 - 15r^2$

7.  $14t^3 - 42t^5 - 49t^4$

8.  $55p^2 - 11p^4 + 44p^5$

9.  $14y^3 - 28y^2 + y$

10.  $4x + 12x^2 + 16x^3$

11.  $4a^2b + 28ab^2 + 7ab$

12.  $6y + 12x - 8z$

13.  $x^2 + 2x + x + 2$

14.  $6y^2 - 4y + 3y - 2$

15.  $4m^2 + 4mp + 3mp + 3p^2$

16.  $12ax + 3xz + 4ay + yz$

17.  $12a^2 + 3a - 8a - 2$

18.  $xa + ya + x + y$

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# #2

## Using the Distributive Property

**Solve Equations by Factoring** The following property, along with factoring, can be used to solve certain equations.

**Zero Product Property**

For any real numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $ab = 0$ , then either  $a = 0$ ,  $b = 0$ , or both  $a$  and  $b$  equal 0.

**Example** Solve  $9x^2 + x = 0$ . Then check the solutions.

Write the equation so that it is of the form  $ab = 0$ .

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

Original equation

$$x(9x + 1) = 0$$

Factor the GCF of  $9x^2 + x$ , which is  $x$ .

$$x = 0 \text{ or } 9x + 1 = 0$$

Zero Product Property

$$x = 0 \quad x = -\frac{1}{9}$$

Solve each equation.

The solution set is  $\left\{0, -\frac{1}{9}\right\}$ .

**Check** Substitute 0 and  $-\frac{1}{9}$  for  $x$  in the original equation.

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

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$$9(0)^2 + 0 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$9\left(-\frac{1}{9}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$0 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{9} + \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$0 = 0 \checkmark$$

### Exercises

Solve each equation. Check your solutions.

1.  $x(x + 3) = 0$

2.  $3m(m - 4) = 0$

3.  $(r - 3)(r + 2) = 0$

4.  $3x(2x - 1) = 0$

5.  $(4m + 8)(m - 3) = 0$

6.  $5t^2 = 25t$

7.  $(4c + 2)(2c - 7) = 0$

8.  $5p - 15p^2 = 0$

9.  $4y^2 = 28y$

10.  $12x^2 = -6x$

11.  $(4a + 3)(8a + 7) = 0$

12.  $8y = 12y^2$

13.  $x^2 = -2x$

14.  $(6y - 4)(y + 3) = 0$

15.  $4m^2 = 4m$

16.  $12x = 3x^2$

17.  $12a^2 = -3a$

18.  $(12a + 4)(3a - 1) = 0$

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### Solving $x^2 + bx + c = 0$

**Solve Equations by Factoring** Factoring and the Zero Product Property can be used to solve many equations of the form  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ .

**Example 1** Solve  $x^2 + 6x = 7$ . Check your solutions.

$$x^2 + 6x = 7$$

Original equation

$$x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$$

Rewrite equation so that one side equals 0.

$$(x - 1)(x + 7) = 0$$

Factor.

$$x - 1 = 0 \text{ or } x + 7 = 0$$

Zero Product Property

$$x = 1$$

$$x = -7$$

Solve each equation.

The solution set is  $\{1, -7\}$ . Since  $1^2 + 6(1) = 7$  and  $(-7)^2 + 6(-7) = 7$ , the solutions check.

**Example 2** **ROCKET LAUNCH** The formula  $h = vt - 16t^2$  gives the height  $h$  of a rocket after  $t$  seconds when the initial velocity  $v$  is given in feet per second. If a rocket is fired with initial velocity 2288 feet per second, how many seconds will it take for the rocket to reach a height of 6720 feet?

$$h = vt - 16t^2$$

Formula

$$6720 = 2288t - 16t^2$$

Substitute.

$$0 = -16t^2 + 2288t - 6720$$

Rewrite equation so that one side equals 0.

$$0 = -16(t - 143t + 420)$$

Factor out GCF.

$$0 = -16(t - 3)(t - 140)$$

Factor

$$t - 3 = 0 \text{ or } t - 140 = 0$$

Zero Product Property

$$t = 3$$

$$t = 140$$

Solve each equation.

The rocket reaches 6720 feet in 3 seconds and again in 140 seconds, or 2 minutes 20 seconds after launch.

### Exercises

Solve each equation. Check the solutions.

1.  $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$

2.  $y^2 - 5y + 4 = 0$

3.  $m^2 + 10m + 9 = 0$

4.  $x^2 = x + 2$

5.  $x^2 - 4x = 5$

6.  $x^2 - 12x + 36 = 0$

7.  $t^2 - 8 = -7t$

8.  $p^2 = 9p - 14$

9.  $-9 - 8x + x^2 = 0$

10.  $x^2 + 6 = 5x$

11.  $a^2 = 11a - 18$

12.  $y^2 - 8y + 15 = 0$

13.  $x^2 = 24 - 10x$

14.  $a^2 - 18a = -72$

15.  $b^2 = 10b - 16$

Use the formula  $h = vt - 16t^2$  to solve each problem.

**16. FOOTBALL** A punter can kick a football with an initial velocity of 48 feet per second. How many seconds will it take for the ball to first reach a height of 32 feet?

**17. ROCKET LAUNCH** If a rocket is launched with an initial velocity of 1600 feet per second, when will the rocket be 14,400 feet high?