

8-5 Using the Distributive Property

Use the Distributive Property to factor each polynomial.

15. $16t - 40y$

ANSWER:

$$8(2t - 5y)$$

17. $2k^2 + 4k$

ANSWER:

$$2k(k + 2)$$

19. $4a^2b^2 + 2a^2b - 10ab^2$

ANSWER:

$$2ab(2ab + a - 5b)$$

Factor each polynomial.

21. $fg - 5g + 4f - 20$

ANSWER:

$$(g + 4)(f - 5)$$

23. $hj - 2h + 5j - 10$

ANSWER:

$$(h + 5)(j - 2)$$

25. $45pq - 27q - 50p + 30$

ANSWER:

$$(9q - 10)(5p - 3)$$

27. $3dt - 21d + 35 - 5t$

ANSWER:

$$(3d - 5)(t - 7)$$

29. $21th - 3t - 35h + 5$

ANSWER:

$$(3t - 5)(7h - 1)$$

31. $5br - 25b + 2r - 10$

ANSWER:

$$(r - 5)(5b + 2)$$

33. $5gf^2 + g^2f + 15gf$

ANSWER:

$$gf(5f + g + 15)$$

35. $27cd^2 - 18c^2d^2 + 3cd$

ANSWER:

$$3cd(9d - 6cd + 1)$$

37. $48tu - 90t + 32u - 60$

ANSWER:

$$2(8u - 15)(3t + 2)$$

Solve each equation. Check your solutions.

39. $3b(9b - 27) = 0$

ANSWER:

$$0, 3$$

40. $2n(3n + 3) = 0$

ANSWER:

$$0, -1$$

41. $(8z + 4)(5z + 10) = 0$

ANSWER:

$$-\frac{1}{2}, -2$$

42. $(7x + 3)(2x - 6) = 0$

ANSWER:

$$-\frac{3}{7}, 3$$

43. $b^2 = -3b$

ANSWER:

$$0, -3$$

44. $a^2 = 4a$

ANSWER:

$$0, 4$$

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46. **FIREWORKS** A ten-inch fireworks shell is fired from ground level. The height of the shell in feet is given by the formula $h = 263t - 16t^2$, where t is the time in seconds after launch.
- Write the expression that represents the height in factored form.
 - At what time will the height be 0? Is this answer practical? Explain.
 - What is the height of the shell 8 seconds and 10 seconds after being fired?
 - At 10 seconds, is the shell rising or falling?

ANSWER:

- $t(263 - 16t)$
- 0 and 16.4375 seconds; Yes, the shell starts at ground level and is in the air for 16.4375 seconds before landing on the ground again.
- 1080 ft; 1030 ft
- The shell has begun to fall.