

Algebra 1 7.1

Multiply monomials using the properties of exponents
Simplify expressions using properties of exponents

monomial
constant
linear
nonlinear
exponent
base

whiteboards

Determine whether each expression is a monomial. Write *yes* or *no*. Explain your reasoning.

21. 122



22. $3a^4$



23. $2c + 2$



Simplify each expression.

27. $(q^2)(2q^4)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \cdot q \cdot q \cdot 2 \\ 2q^6 \end{array}$$

28. $(-2u^2)(6u^6)$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2u^2 \cdot 6u^6 \\ -12u^8 \end{array}$$

29. $(9w^2x^8)(w^6x^4)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9w^2x^8 \cdot w^6x^4 \\ 9w^8x^{12} \end{array}$$

KeyConcept Power of a Power

Words To find the power of a power, multiply the exponents.

Symbols For any real number a and any integers m and p , $(a^m)^p = a^{m \cdot p}$.

Examples $(b^3)^5 = b^{3 \cdot 5}$ or b^{15} $(g^6)^7 = g^{6 \cdot 7}$ or g^{42}

$$(b^3)(b^3b)(bb^3)(b^3b^3)(b^3b)$$

b^{15}

$$33. (l^5 k^7)^4$$

$$34. (n^3 p)^4 \quad (\cancel{n^3 p})(\cancel{n^3 p})(\cancel{n^3 p})(\cancel{n^3 p})$$

$$(l^5 k^7)(l^5 k^7)(l^5 k^7)(l^5 k^7) \quad \begin{matrix} n^1 z p^y \\ l n^{12} p^4 \end{matrix}$$

$$j^{20} k^{28}$$

Simplify $[(2^3)^2]^4$.

$$\begin{matrix} [(2^3)(2^3)] & [(2^3)(2^7)] & [(2^3)(2^3)] & [(2^3)(2^3)] \\ \downarrow^{2^4} & \downarrow^{2^7} & \downarrow^{2^4} & \downarrow^{2^7} \end{matrix}$$

Triangle puzzles

4B. Express the area of a triangle with height $4a$ and base $5ab^2$ as a monomial.

$$A = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}(5ab^2)(4a)$$

$$A = \frac{bh}{2} = 10a^2b^2$$

$$\frac{40}{2} c^3 d^8 c^2 d^4 \\ 20 c^5 d^5$$

KeyConcept Simplify Expressions

To simplify a monomial expression, write an equivalent expression in which:

- each variable base appears exactly once,
- there are no powers of powers, and
- all fractions are in simplest form.

$$(z^2)^2$$

Example 5 Simplify Expressions

Simplify $(3xy^4)^2[(-2y)^2]^3$.

$$(3x\cancel{y}^4)(3\cancel{x}y^4) \left[(-\cancel{2})(-\cancel{2}y) \right] \left[(-\cancel{2})(-\cancel{2}y) \right] \left[(-\cancel{2})(-\cancel{2}y) \right]$$

$$576x^2y^14$$

Order of operations...

G E M A

Guided Practice

5. Simplify $\left(\frac{1}{2}a^2b^2\right)^3[(-4b)^2]$.

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}a^2b^2\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}a^2b^2\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}a^2b^2\right) [(-4b)(-4b)] [(-4b)(-4b)]$$

$$32a^6b^{10}$$

$$-a^2 \cdot b^b \cdot -a^3 b^7$$

$$-1a^2b^6 \cdot -1a^3b^7 = 1x^4y^4 \cdot 1x^3y^5$$

lab¹³

$$\text{---} \quad -x^4 y^9$$
$$\text{---} \quad -x^9 y^4$$

$$x^4 \cdot x^1 = x^5$$
$$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 2^5$$
$$(2^4)(2)$$
$$\sim [2 \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 2] \quad 2^5$$