

$$(n-4)$$

$$(x+3)$$

Alg 1 1.4

$$2(x+3)$$

Use the distributive property to evaluate expressions

Use the distributive property to simplify expressions

$$2x+6$$

term

like terms

$$(n-4)$$

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$$3(n-4) = \boxed{3n-12}$$

$$3 \cdot 4$$

Key Concept Distributive Property

Symbol

For any numbers a , b , and c ,
 $a(b+c) = ab+ac$ and $(b+c)a = ba+ca$ and
 $a(b-c) = ab-ac$ and $(b-c)a = ba-ca$.

Examples

$$3(2+5) = 3 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 5$$
$$3(7) = 6 + 15$$

$$4(9-7) = 4 \cdot 9 - 4 \cdot 7$$
$$4(2) = 36 - 28$$

Real-World Example 1 Distribute Over Addition



SPORTS A group of 7 adults and 6 children are going to a University of South Florida Bulls baseball game. Use the Distributive Property to write and evaluate an expression for the total ticket cost.

USF Bulls Baseball Tickets	
Ticket	Cost (\$)
Adult Single Game	5
Children Single Game (12 and under)	3
Groups of 10 or more Single Game	2
Senior Single Game (65 and over)	3

Source: USF

Understand

$$13 \cdot 2 = 26$$

Plan

$$2(7n + 6)$$

Solve

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cdot 13 &= 26 \\ 2 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 6 & \\ 14 + 12 & \end{aligned}$$

$$14n + 12$$

Check

1. **SPORTS** A group of 3 adults, an 11-year old, and 2 children under 10 years old are going to a baseball game. Write and evaluate an expression to determine the cost of tickets for the group.

3A

1-11yo

2 under 10

$$3 \cdot 5 + 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3$$
$$15 + 3 + 6 = 24$$

$$3 \cdot 5 + 3 \cdot 3$$
$$15 + 9$$
$$24$$



Example 2 Mental Math

Use the Distributive Property to rewrite $7 \cdot 49$. Then evaluate.

$$\begin{aligned}
 7 \cdot 49 &= 7(50 - 1) && \text{Think: } 49 = 50 - 1 \\
 &= 7(50) - 7(1) && \text{Distributive Property} \\
 &= 350 - 7 && \text{Multiply.} \\
 &= 343 && \text{Subtract.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 7 \cdot 49 &= 343 \\
 &\downarrow \\
 7(50 - 1) \\
 7 \cdot 50 + 7 \cdot -1 \\
 350 + -7 =
 \end{aligned}$$

Guided Practice

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Use the Distributive Property to rewrite each expression. Then evaluate.

2A. 304(15) $15(300 + 4)$
 $15 \cdot 300 + 15 \cdot 4$
 $4500 + 60$

2B. $44 \cdot 2\frac{1}{2}$

$44(2 + \frac{1}{2})$
 $88 + 22 = 110$

2C. 210(5)
 $5(105 + 105)$
 $*.5(200 + 10)$
 $1000 + 50 = 1050$

2D. $52(17)$

$(10 + 7)(50 + 2)$
 $500 \quad 20$
 $350 \quad 14$
 $= 884$



Example 3 Algebraic Expressions

Rewrite each expression using the Distributive Property. Then simplify.

a. $7(3w + 5)$

$$3w - 5$$

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$$3w - 5$$

$$21w - 35$$

$$3w - 5$$

$$3w - 5$$

$$3A. (8 + 4n)^2$$

$$3B. -6(r + 3g - f)$$

$$3C. (2 + 5q)(1 - 3)$$

$$3D. -4(-8 - 3m)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -3 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 5q \\ & -6 + 15q \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -4 \cdot -8 + -4 \cdot -3m \\ & 32 + 12m \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\underline{44m}}$$

$$(2 + 5q)(-3)$$

$$-3 \cdot 2 + -3 \cdot 5q$$

$$-6 + 15q$$

