

Algebra 2 **5.1**

Multiply, divide, and simplify monomials and power
expressions*

*Algebra 1 Ch. 8

Add, subtract, and multiply monomials*
Multiply polynomials*

simplify
degree (of a polynomial)
terms
like terms
distributive property
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scramble square

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Key Concept Simplifying Monomials

A monomial expression is in simplified form when:

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

$$(x^2)^3 \quad a^3 b^{-2} = \frac{a^3}{b^2} \quad a^3 b^0 = 1 \cdot a^3 \\ \text{no zero exp}$$



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Example 6 Multiply Polynomials

Find $(n^2 + 4n - 6)(n + 2)$.

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$$n^3 + 2n^2 - 6n - 12$$

$$\begin{array}{r} n^2 + 4n - 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} n+2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2n^2 + 8n - 12 \\ \hline n^3 + 4n^2 - 6n \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{n^3 + 6n^2 + 2n - 12}$$

Guided Practice

Find each product.

6A. $(x^2 + 4x + 16)(x - 4)$

$$6B. \underbrace{(2x^2 - 4x + 5)(3x - 1)}_{(x+2)}$$

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$x+2$

triangle puzzle