

Basic Algebra 1.4

Use the distributive property to evaluate expressions

distributive property
term

like terms same var.
(same expon.)
coefficient

$$2(x + 3) = x + 3 + x + 3$$
$$= 2x + 6$$

equivalent expression
simplify (simplest form)

$$3n + 5n = 8n$$

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$$3n + 5n^2$$

3. Determine which two expressions are equivalent. Explain how you determined your answer.

☺ a. $20n + 3p$

c. $16n + 4p + 4n$ $20n + 4p$

☺ e. $12n + 3p$

b. $16n + p - 4n + 2p = 12n + 3p$

d. $12p + 3n$

f. $20n - p - 16n + 2p = 4n + p$

Whiteboards

Simplify each expression. (*Examples 1–4*)

8. $5x + 9x$

9. $4y + 2 - 3y$

10. $2(5g + 3g)$

11. $3(4 - 6m)$

Simplify each expression.

15. $16f + 5f$

17. $4r - 1r$

16. $9a + 6a$

18. $3 + 7 - 2st$

27. $2y + y + y$

29. $2(15xy + 8xy)$

$2 \cdot 23 \times y$ $30 \times y + 16 \times y$
 $46 \times y$

28. $bp + 25bp + p$

30. $5(n + 2r) + 3n$

$$6y - (2y + 1)$$

$$6 \cdot 3 - (2 \cdot 3 + 1)$$

$$6 \cdot 3 - 7 = 11$$

35. What is the value of $6y$ decreased by the quantity $(2y \text{ plus } 1)$ if y is equivalent to 3?

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