

Prime #s 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, ...

Geometry
Factoring by GCF

Name: Key Date: _____

Greatest Common Factor (GCF)

1. $9 \ 12$ 3
 $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{3} \uparrow 3 \\ \textcircled{3} \uparrow 4 \\ \quad \uparrow 2 \end{matrix}$

2. $8 \ 12 \ 20$ 4
 $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \uparrow 4 \\ \textcircled{2} \uparrow 6 \\ \textcircled{2} \uparrow 4 \\ \textcircled{2} \uparrow 5 \end{matrix}$

3. $28 \ 49$ 7

4. $x \ x^2$ x

5. $x^3 \ x^2 \ x^7$ x^2
 $\frac{x \cdot x \cdot x}{x \cdot x} \quad \frac{x \cdot x}{x \cdot x} \quad \frac{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}{x \cdot x}$

6. $6x^2 \ 8x \ 14x^3$ $2x$

Factoring Polynomials

The GCF for a polynomial is the largest monomial that divides (is a factor of) into each term of the polynomial.

Ex: What is the GCF?

$4x^2 - 16x$
 $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \uparrow 2 \\ \textcircled{2} \uparrow 4 \\ \quad \uparrow 2 \end{matrix}$

Answer:

$4x$

Factor the following polynomials by removing the GCF.

1. $\frac{15x}{3x} + \frac{9xy}{3x}$

$3x(5 + 3y)$

2. $\frac{12a^2b}{3a} - \frac{3a^2b^3}{3a} + \frac{18a}{3a}$

$3a(4ab - ab^3 + 6)$

3. $\frac{-8xy^3}{-4x} + \frac{20x^2y^2z}{-4x} - \frac{4x}{-4x}$

$-4x(2y^3 - 5xy^2z + 1)$

4. $32m^4n + 24mn^2 - 16mn$

$8mn(4m^3 + 3n - 2)$

GCF (what's left over)

check by distributing

If an expression will not factor then it is said to be Prime

Factor each. If it will not factor (does not have a GCF), write PRIME.

1. $3x - 5x^2$ $x(3 - 5x)$

2. $4ab + 5ba^2$ $ab(4 + 5a)$

3. $8z^2 + 21r^2$ Prime

4. $4m^2 + 6m - 1$ Prime


Keys

Name _____

Greatest Common Factor of Monomials


Wrong!

~~$18x^3y = 2 \cdot 9 \cdot x^3 \cdot y$
 $24x^2 = 2 \cdot 12 \cdot x^2$
GCF = 2~~



Right!

$18x^3y = 2 \cdot 9 \cdot x^3 \cdot y$
 $= 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot y$
 $24x^2 = 2 \cdot 12 \cdot x^2$
 $= 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 6 \cdot x \cdot x$
 $= 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x$
GCF = $2 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x = 6x^2$

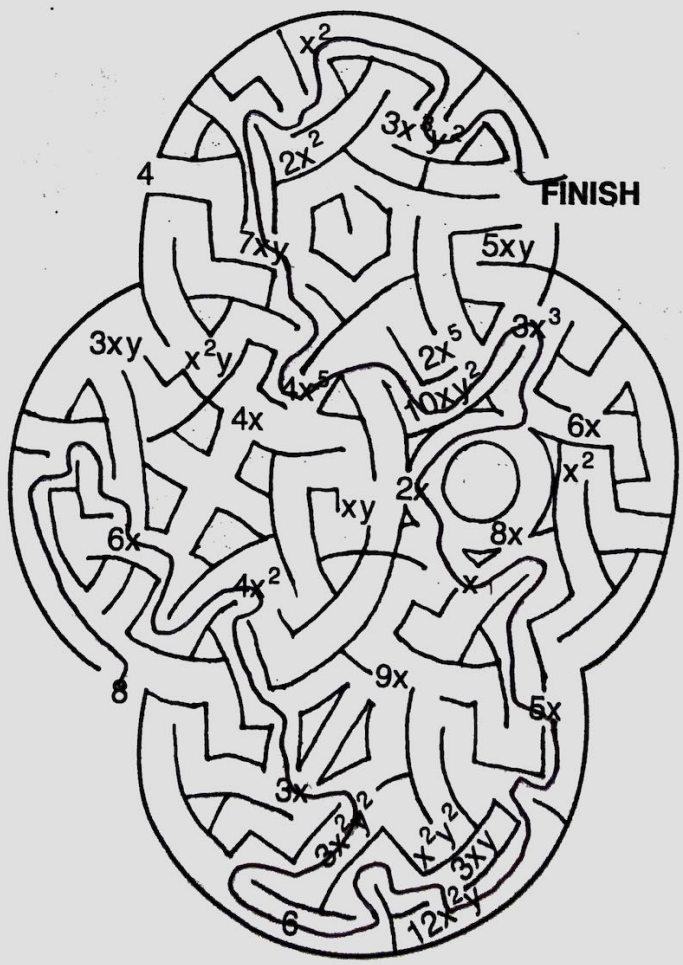


Quick Review

Completely factor the numeric coefficients within each monomial. A shortcut for finding the greatest common factor (GCF) of a variable is to compare the powers of variables that are in both monomials and choose the power which is the least amount.

Find the GCF for each pair. Follow your answers in order through the maze.

1. $16x^2$ and 8 8
2. $18x$ and $24x^2$ $6x$
3. $12x^3$ and $4x^2$ $4x^2$
4. $9x^3y$ and $12x$ $3x$
5. $24x^2y^4$ and $21x^2y^2$ $3x^2y^2$
6. $6y$ and $6x^2$ 6
7. $12x^2y^3$ and $24x^2y$ $12x^2y$
8. $10x^3$ and $35x$ $5x$
9. $9x^2$ and $11x$ x
10. $8xy$ and $18x^2$ $2x$
11. $9x^4$ and $15x^3$ $3x^3$
12. $20x^2y^2$ and $30xy^3$ $10xy^2$
13. $4x^7$ and $12x^5$ $4x^5$
14. $21xy$ and $14x^2y^2$ $7xy$
15. $15x^3$ and $8x^2$ x^2
16. $6x^3y^4$ and $9x^5y^2$ $3x^3y^2$



Why Are Handcuffs Like Souvenirs?

Use the distributive property to complete each statement below. Find your answer in the corresponding answer column. Write the letter of that exercise in the box that contains the number of the answer.

- (A) $7(a + b) = 7a + 7b$
 (R) $4(5 + x) = 20 + 4x$
 (Y) $3(2x + 9) = 6x + 27$
 (S) $8(3x + 1) = 24x + 8$
 (O) $a(4 + b) = 4a + ab$
 (E) $x(y + 10) = xy + 10x$
 (I) $2(7x + 4y) = 14x + 8y$
 (D) $6(9 + 5x) = 54 + 30x$
 (W) $x(a + 3b) = xa + 3bx$
 (E) $a(8x + 2y) = 8ax + 2ay$
 (T) $\frac{1}{2}(4a + 10) = 2a + 5$
 (R) $\frac{2}{3}(12 + 9y) = 8 + 6y$

- Answers:
- (18) ax
 (17) 4a
 (9) 7b
 (1) 5
 (14) 4x
 (23) 24x
 (10) 30x
 (6) 6y
 (3) xy
 (4) 27
 (7) 2ay
 (20) 8y

- (O) $5x + 5y = 5(x + y)$
 (T) $9a + 9b = 9(a + b)$
 (W) $4m + 4n = 4(m + n)$
 (H) $ab + 3a = a(b + 3)$
 (E) $xy + 15x = x(y + 15)$
 (A) $bu + uv = u(b + v)$
 (F) $\frac{2}{5}m + \frac{2}{5}n = \frac{2}{5}(m + n)$
 (M) $\frac{3}{4}a + \frac{3}{4}b + \frac{3}{4}c = \frac{3}{4}(a + b + c)$
 (S) $7ax + 2ay = a(7x + 2y)$
 (T) $4kx + 11ky = k(4x + 11y)$
 (R) $3ay + 8by = y(3a + 8b)$

- Answers:
- (16) 4
 (5) u
 (22) a
 (11) x
 (21) 2y
 (13) y
 (19) 3a
 (2) 3
 (12) m
 (15) k
 (8) $\frac{3}{4}$

1	T
2	m
3	e
4	y
5	a
6	r
7	e
8	m
9	a
10	d
11	e
12	f
13	o
14	r
15	t
16	w
17	o
18	w
19	r
20	i
21	s
22	+
23	s

They are made for two wrists