

EXPANDING SINGLE BRACKETS

Task 1 – For each of the following, expand and fully simplify.

- 1) $5(x + 2) = 5x + 10$
- 2) $6(y + 3) = 6y + 18$
- 3) $2(b + 7) = 2b + 14$
- 4) $4(j - 1) = 4j - 4$
- 5) $3(x - 4) = 3x - 12$
- 6) $2(g - 5) = 2g - 10$
- 7) $4(a^2 + 3) = 4a^2 + 12$
- 8) $a(5a + 3) = 5a^2 + 3a$
- 9) $2b(b - 8) = 2b^2 - 16b$
- 10) $h(7 - h) = 7h - h^2$
- 11) $m(m + n) = m^2 + mn$
- 12) $b^6(b - 8) = b^7 - 8b^6$
- 13) $-2l(4l - 7) = -8l^2 + 14l$
- 14) $2u(7u - 8) = 14u^2 - 16u$
- 15) $9w^2(w - y) = 9w^3 - 9w^2y$
- 16) $q^3(4 - q) = 4q^3 - q^4$
- 17) $-10j(5 - 3j) = -50j + 30j^2$
- 18) $10ef^2(4e^2f - 5f) = 40e^3f^3 - 50ef^3$
- 19) $4ab(2a^2b + 5) = 8a^3b^2 + 20ab$
- 20) $3h^2i^3(4hi^4 - 8h) = 12h^3i^7 - 24h^3i^3$
- 21) $6m^3n^4(4m^2n^5 - 10n^6) = 24m^5n^9 - 60m^3n^{10}$
- 22) $12e^2f^5(e^3f^4 + 12ef) = 12e^5f^9 + 144e^3f^6$
- 23) $10y^4z^5(2yz - 15y^3z^6) = 20y^5z^6 - 150y^7z^{11}$
- 24) $10p^2q^4r^7(2p^8r^2 + q^5) = 20p^{10}q^4r^9 + 10p^2q^9r^7$
- 25) $12x^4y^7z^3(7x^5y^8z^2 - 10x^3y^4z^{10})$
 $= 84x^9y^{15}z^5 - 120x^7y^{11}z^{13}$

Task 2 – For each of the following, expand and fully simplify.

- 26) $4(a + 7) + 3(a + 2)$
 $= 4a + 28 + 3a + 6$
 $= 7a + 34$
- 27) $7(p + 3) + 8(p + 1)$
 $= 7p + 21 + 8p + 8$
 $= 15p + 29$
- 28) $3(w + 4) + 6(w + 10)$
 $= 3w + 12 + 6w + 60$
 $= 9w + 72$
- 29) $5(y + 7) - 3(y + 4)$
 $= 5y + 35 - 3y - 12$
 $= 2y + 23$
- 30) $4(g - 3) + 5(g - 7)$
 $= 4g - 12 + 5g - 35$
 $= 9g - 47$
- 31) $4(k - 6) - 3(k - 1)$
 $= 4k - 24 - 3k + 3$
 $= k - 21$
- 32) $6(m - 3) - 4(m + 2)$
 $= 6m - 18 - 4m - 8$
 $= 2m - 26$
- 33) $d(d + 2) - d(d + 4)$
 $= d^2 + 2d - d^2 - 4d$
 $= -2d$
- 34) $8e(e^2 + 4) + 7e(e^2 - 9)$
 $= 8e^3 + 32e + 7e^3 - 63e$
 $= 15e^3 - 31e$

$$35) -2f(f^2 - 10) + 4f(12 - f^3)$$

$$= -2f^3 + 20f + 48f - 4f^4$$

$$= -4f^4 - 2f^3 + 68f$$

$$36) 2xy(x + 5) - 3xy(x + 4)$$

$$= 2x^2y + 10xy - 3x^2y - 12xy$$

$$= -x^2y - 2xy$$

$$37) 9c^2d(c + 4d) - 2c^2d(3d - c)$$

$$= 9c^3d + 36c^2d^2 - 6c^2d^2 + 2c^3d$$

$$= 11c^3d + 30c^2d^2$$

$$38) 4x^2y^2(x + 7) - 2x^2y^2(x - 3)$$

$$= 4x^3y^2 + 28x^2y^2 - 2x^3y^2 + 6x^2y^2$$

$$= 2x^3y^2 + 34x^2y^2$$

$$39) c^6d^3(cd - 4) + 7c^6d^3(5cd - 8)$$

$$= c^7d^4 - 4c^6d^3 + 35c^7d^4 - 56c^6d^3$$

$$= 36c^7d^4 - 60c^6d^3$$

Challenge

40) Given that a rectangle has a length that is 3 units longer than its width, show that

$$Area = x^2 + 3x$$

$$\text{Width: } x$$

$$\text{Length: } x + 3$$

$$Area = x(x + 3)$$

$$= x^2 + 3x \checkmark$$

41) Given that a triangle has a base that is 4 units less than its height, show that

$$Area = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x$$

$$\text{Height: } x$$

$$\text{Base: } x - 4$$

$$Area = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}x(x - 4)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2x \checkmark$$