

Factoring - ANSWERS

F1 Exercises

1. false
3. Both are correct but the second one is preferable as the binomial factor has integral coefficients.
5. $7a^3b^5$
7. $x(x - 3)$
9. $(x - 2y)$
11. $x^{-4}(x + 2)^{-2}$
13. $8k(k^2 + 3)$
15. $-6a^2(6a^2 - a - 3)$
17. $5x^2y^2(y - 2x)$
19. $(a - 2)(y^2 - 3)$
21. $2n(n - 2)$
23. $(4x - y)(4x + 1)$
25. $-(p - 3)(p^2 - 10p + 19)$
27. $k^{-4}(k^2 + 2)$
29. $-p^{-5}(2p^3 - p^2 - 3)$
31. $-x^{-2}y^{-3}(2xy - 5)$
33. $(a^2 - 7)(2a + 1)$
35. $-(xy + 3)(x - 2)$
37. $(x^2 - y)(x - y)$
39. $-(y - 3)(x^2 + z^2)$
41. $(x - 6)(y + 3)$
43. $(x^2 - a)(y^2 - b)$
45. $(x^n + 1)(y - 3)$
47. $2(s + 1)(3r - 7)$
49. $x(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 - 1)$
51. no, as $(2xy^2 - 4)$ can still be factored to $2(xy^2 - 2)$
53. $p = \frac{2M}{q+r}$
55. $y = \frac{x}{3-w}$
57. $A = (4 - \pi)x^2$
59. $A = (\pi - 1)r^2$

F2 Exercises

1. no
3. All of them; however, the preferable answer is $-(2x - 3)(x + 5)$.
5. $x - 3$
7. $x - 5y$
9. $(x + 3)(x + 4)$
11. $(y + 8)(y - 6)$
13. not factorable
15. $(m - 7)(m - 8)$
17. $-(n + 9)(n - 2)$
19. $(x - 2y)(x - 3y)$
21. $-(x + 3)(x - 7)$
23. $n^2(n + 2)(n - 15)$
25. $-2(x - 10)(x - 4)$
27. $y(x^2 + 12)(x^2 - 5)$
29. $-5(t^{13} + 8)(t^{13} - 1)$
31. $-n(n^4 + 16)(n^4 - 3)$
33. $\pm 12, \pm 13, \pm 15, \pm 20, \pm 37$
35. $3x - 4$
37. $3x - 5$
39. $(2y + 1)(3y - 2)$
41. $(6t - 1)(t - 6)$
43. $(6n + 5)(7n - 5)$
45. $-2(2x - 3)(3x + 5)$
47. $(6x + 5y)(3x + 2y)$
49. $-(2n + 5)(4n - 3)$
51. $2x^2(2x - 1)(x + 3)$
53. $(9xy - 4)(xy + 1)$
55. $(2p^2 - 7q)^2$
57. $(2a + 9)(a + 5)$
59. $\pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 11, \pm 17, \pm 28, \pm 59$
61. $(3x + 2)$ feet

F3 Exercises

1. difference of squares 3. neither 5. difference of cubes 7. difference of squares
9. perfect square 11. difference of cubes
13. $25x^2 + 100 = 25(x^2 + 4)$; The sum of squares is factorable in integral coefficients only if the two terms have a common factor.
15. $(x + y)(x - y)$ 17. $(x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$
19. $(2z - 1)^2$ 21. not factorable
23. $(5 - y)(25 + 5y + y^2)$ 25. $(n + 10m)^2$
27. $(3a^2 + 5b^3)(3a^2 - 5b^3)$ 29. $(p^2 - 4q)(p^4 + 4p^2q + 16q^2)$
31. $(7p + 2)^2$ 33. $r^2(r + 3)(r - 3)$
35. $\frac{1}{8}(1 - 2a)(1 + 2a + 4a^2)$ or $(\frac{1}{2} - a)(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}a + a^2)$ 37. not factorable
39. $x^2(4x^2 + 11y^2)(4x^2 - 11y^2)$ 41. $-(ab + 5c^2)(a^2b^2 - 5abc^2 + 25c^4)$
43. $(3a^4 - 8b)^2$ 45. $(x + 8)(x - 6)$ 47. $2t(t - 4)(t^2 + 4t + 16)$
49. $(x^n + 3)^2$ 51. $(4z^2 + 1)(2z + 1)(2z - 1)$ 53. $5(3x^2 + 15x + 25)$
55. $0.01(5z - 7)^2$ or $(0.5z - 0.7)^2$ 57. $-3y(2x - y)$ 59. $4(3x^2 + 4)$
61. $2(x - 5a)^2$ 63. $(y + 6 + 3a)(y + 6 - 3a)$
65. $(m + 2)(m^2 - 2m + 4)(m - 1)(m^2 + m + 1)$ 67. $(a^4 + b^4)(a^2 + b^2)(a + b)(a - b)$
69. $(x^2 + 1)(x + 3)(x - 3)$ 71. $(a + b + 3)(a - b - 3)$
72. $z(3xy + 4z)(xy + 7z)$ 75. $(x^2 + 1)(x + 1)(x - 1)^3$
77. $c(c^w + 1)^2$

F4 Exercises

1. true 3. false 5. false 7. $x \in \{-4, 1\}$
9. $x \in \{-\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{1}{3}\}$ 11. $x \in \{-6, -3\}$ 13. $x \in \{-\frac{7}{2}, 1\}$ 15. $x \in \{-6, 0\}$
17. $x \in \{4\}$ 19. $x \in \{\frac{5}{2}\}$ 21. $x \in \{-8, 4\}$ 23. $x \in \{\frac{1}{3}, 3\}$
25. $x \in \{-2, \frac{8}{9}\}$ 27. $x \in \{0, 6\}$ 29. $x \in \{-4, 2\}$ 31. $x \in \{1, 5\}$

33. $x \in \left\{-\frac{15}{8}, -1\right\}$ 35. $x \in \{-5, 0, 3\}$ 37. $x \in \left\{-\frac{8}{5}, 0, \frac{8}{5}\right\}$ 39. $x \in \{-5, -1, 1, 5\}$
41. $x \in \{0, 2, 4\}$ 43. $x \in \{-3, -1, 3\}$ 45. $x \in \left\{-2, -\frac{2}{5}, 2\right\}$
47. 3; $\{-3, 0, 3\}$; Do not divide by x as x can be equal to zero. Also, $\sqrt{x^2} = |x|$ so in the last step, we should obtain $x = \pm 3$. The safest way to solve polynomial equations is by factoring and using the zero-product property.
49. $x \in \left\{\frac{1}{2}, 7\right\}$ 51. $x \in \left\{-3, \frac{7}{3}\right\}$ 53. $s = \frac{5-2p}{r+3}$ 55. $r = \frac{R}{E-1}$
57. $t = \frac{4}{c+2}$ 59. 8 seconds 61. -12 or 13
63. width = 9 cm; length = 16 cm 65. width = 7 m; height = 10 m
67. 7 m by 12 m 69. 2 cm 71. 9 in