## Helping With Math usi

## Division of Algebraic Expressions

Suitable for students aged 12-14

## Algebraic Expressions are:

This pack is suitable for learners aged 12-14 years old or 8th to 9th graders (USA). The content covers fact files and relevant basic and advanced activities involving division of algebraic expressions.

Division of algebraic expressions is done by dividing each term of the terms/variables by the other and then taking the quotient.

## DIVIDING ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

## How to divide algebraic terms or variables?

Step 1: If not yet in fractional form, write the division of the algebraic terms as a fraction.

Step 2: Simplify the coefficient.
Step 3: Cancel variables of the same type in the numerator and denominator.

## How to divide Algebraic Expressions?

Step 1: Factorize the algebraic expressions.
Step 2: Cancel factors in the numerator and denominator when possible.

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

1.) What is the quotient if $-2 x^{3}+4 x$ is divided by $2 x$ ?
2.) What is the divisor if the quotient is $x+6$ and the dividend $x^{2}-36$ ?

## SOLUTION:

1.) $\frac{-2 x^{3}+4 x}{2 x}=\frac{-2 x^{3}+4 x}{2 x}=-x^{2}+2$
2.) $\frac{x^{2}-49}{x+7}=\frac{(x-7)(x+7)}{x+7}=x-7$

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Start our vehicle collection today with a motorbike. Purchase it on its lowest price by getting the quotient of the following terms.
1.) $\frac{6 a}{6 b}$
5.) 15 jk

10j
6.) $\frac{7 m}{4 n}$


2e
4.)
3f
$2 f g$
8.) 2 rs
10st

## CAR QUOTIENT

Get a chance to drive this limited edition sports car by matching column A to column B.
$\qquad$ 1.) $18 t \div 6$
A. 12
2.) $24 u v \div 4 u$
B. 2 w
3.) $16 w^{2} \div 8 w$
C. 3 t
4.) $-5 x y \div 10 x^{2}$
D. $-6 x$
5.) $2 x y \div x^{2}$
E. $6 v$
6.) $3 x^{2} \div 4 x y$
F. $\frac{2 y}{x}$
7.) $-12 x y \div 2 y$
$\qquad$ 8.) $-72 x y \div-6 x y$
G. $\frac{3 x}{4 y}$
H. $\frac{-y}{2 x}$

## UP UP AIR BALLOON

Help these men heat up the hot air balloon! Do that by filling in the blanks. What must be the algebraic expression to make the equation balance?
1.) $24 x^{3} \div=3 x^{2}$
4.) $\div-6 x^{5} y^{6}=-15 x^{4} y$
2.) $16 x^{4} y^{3} \div \ldots=4 x^{2} y^{2}$
5.) $\div-13 x y^{2}=-4 x^{2}$
3.) $-72 x^{5} y^{4} \div$ $\qquad$ $=6 x^{4} y$
6.)

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\div-512 x^{5} y^{2}=-1
$$

## WHICH WAY TO GO?

Make sure Vespo will be heading to the right direction by determining whether the following statements are correct. Write TRUE if it is correct, otherwise write FALSE and correct the statement.
1.) In division of algebraic expressions, we cannot divide different bases.

## Answer:

2.) We add the exponents when we divide same bases.

Answer:
3.) If we divide $7 x^{3}$ by $7 x^{3}$, the answer is 0 .

Answer:
4.) In division of algebraic expressions, we only divide numbers with common factors.

Answer:
5.) If we divide $5 x^{3}$ by $15 x^{5}$, the answer is $3 x^{2}$.

## Answer:

## THE CHALLENGING TRAIN

Want to try the challenging questions brought by this modern train? Make sure to answer them all before it gets to the next station!
1.) The area of a rectangular parking lot is $12 x^{5}$. What is the length of the lot if its width is $2 x^{2}$ in terms of $x$ ?
2.)

The parallelogram shaped car accessory is $x^{10}$. If the base is $x^{4}$, what is the height in terms of $x$ ?
3.) The are of the base of a prism is expressed as $x-3$, what is its height if the area is $x^{3}+x^{2}-11 x-$ 3 ?

## STEPPING ON THE GAS

Make sure to step on the gas for you to have the hustle of answering these modified TRUE or FALSE items.
1.) $\left(9 x^{2}-3 x\right) \div 6$ can be written as $\frac{9 x^{2}}{6} \div \frac{-3 x}{6}$.
2.) $9 x^{-2} \div x^{-3}$ in simplest form is $\frac{9}{x}$
3.) In simplifying the expression $14 x^{3} y^{5} \div 7 x^{8} y^{5}$, variable $x$ will be left in the numerator.
4.) The simplest form of the answer in $\frac{27 x^{3}+9 x}{}$ is $\frac{9 x^{2}}{2}-\frac{3}{2}$


## TAKING A BREAK

Step on your car's break and solve these algebraic expressions. After solving, select which letter corresponds your answer.

| 1.) $\frac{6 x+10}{4}$ | 2.) $\frac{2 x^{2}+14 x}{4 x}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3.) $\frac{10 x^{8}-25 x^{4}-15 x^{2}}{5 x^{3}}$ | 4.) $\frac{6 x^{2} y+3 x y-9 x^{2} y^{2}}{3 x^{2} y}$ |




## FUEL METER

Don't let your fuel ran out so answer the following questions below and encircle your answer. Use the space for your solution.
1.) Simplify $15 x^{2} y^{5} \div 3 x y^{2}$.
A. $\quad 5 x y^{4}$
B. $5 x y^{3}$
C. $5 x^{3} y^{7}$
D. $5 x^{2} y^{2}$
2.) What is the quotient if $-3 x^{3}+6 x$ is divided by $3 x$ ?
A. $-x^{2}+2 x$
B. $-x^{2}-2 x$
C. $-x^{2}-2$
D. $-x^{2}+2$
3.) What is the divisor if the quotient is $x+6$ and the dividend $x^{2}-36$ ?
A. $x-6$
B. $x+6$
C. $x^{2}-6$
D. $x^{2}+6$
4.) What is the dividend if the divisor is $x+4$ and the quotient is $x-3$ ?
A. $x^{2}+x+12$
B. $x^{2}+x-12$
C. $x^{2}-x+12$
D. $x^{2}-x-12$

## CAR MANEUVER

Do a perfect car maneuver by getting the quotient of these algebraic expressions.

1) $18 x^{5} \div 2 x \div 3 x^{2}=$ ?
2) $52 x^{4} y^{3} \div 13 x y \div ?=2 x y^{2}$
3) $? \div\left(15 x^{8} y^{5} \div 3 x^{3} y^{2}\right)=25 x^{4} y$
4) $\left(48 x^{2} y^{3} \div 4 x y\right) \div\left(30 x^{4} y^{5} \div 3 x^{4} y^{3}\right)=$

## FULL SPEED ACTIVATED

You need to go full speed in order to answer these challenging questions. Do not forget to show your solution.
1.) The area of the rectangle garage is given by the algebraic expression $x^{3}-64$ and its length given by $x-4$. Find the width of the garage.
2.) The distance covered by a car is given by the expression $6 x^{2}+18 x-60$. The time taken by the car to cover this distance is given by the expression $x+5$. Find the speed of the car.
3.) The volume of a rectangular car accessory is ( $84 x^{2}-36 x$ ) square meters. If its width is $4 x$ meters, and its height is 3 meters, determine its length.

## ANSWER GUIDE

## Activity 1

1.) $\frac{a}{3}$
2.) $\frac{5 \mathrm{c}}{2}$
3.) 3
4.) $\frac{3}{2 g}$
5.) $\frac{3 k}{2}$
6.) $\frac{7 m}{4 n}$
7.) $\frac{\mathrm{p}}{2}$
8.) $\frac{r}{5 t}$

Activity 2
1.) $C$
2.) $E$
3.) $B$
4.) H
5.) F
6.) G
7.) D
8.) $A$

Activity 3
1.) $8 x$
2.) $4 x^{2} y$
3.) $-12 x y^{3}$
4.) $90 x^{9} y^{7}$
5.) $52 x^{3} y^{2}$
6.) $512 x^{5} y^{2}$

## Activity 4

1.) True
2.) F - subtract
3.) $\mathrm{F}-1$
4.) True
5.) $F-1 / 3 x^{2}$

Activity 5
1.) $6 x^{3}$
2.) $x^{6}$
3.) $x^{2}+4 x+1$

## Activity 6

1.) True
2.) $\frac{\mathrm{x}}{9}$
3.) denominator
4.) True

## ANSWER GUIDE

## Activity 7

1.) $D$
2.) C
3.) $B$
4.) $A$

## Activity 8

1.) $B$
2.) $D$
3.) $A$
4.) $B$

Activity 9
1.) $3 x^{2}$
2.) $2 x^{2}$
3.) $75 x^{9} y^{4}$
4.) $\frac{6 x}{5}$

Activity 10
1.) $x^{2}+4 x+16$
2.) $6 x-12$
3.) $7 x-3$

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