



Helping With Math USA GRADES

Multiplication of Algebraic Expressions

Suitable for students aged 12-14



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

Algebraic Expressions are:

- expressions that contain variables, coefficient and constants.
- combination of terms and at least one arithmetic operation such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.



Multiplication of algebraic expressions is done by multiplying each term of the expression by the other and then taking the algebraic sum of these products.





ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

Solve for the product of these algebraic expressions.

1. 5(a+b) 2. (4a)(ac) + 2b(b+1) 3. (x - 2)(8x + 3)

Solution:

- 1.) 5(a+b) = **5a + 5b** (*Distributive property*)
- 2. $(4a)(ac) + 2b(b+1) = 4a^2c + 2b^2 + 2b$

3.
$$(x - 2)(8x + 3) = (x)(8x) + (x)(3) - (2)(8x) + (-2)(3)$$

= $8x^2 + 3x - 16x - 6$
= $8x^2 - 13x - 6$



PRACTICE EXERCISES

Solve for the product of these algebraic expressions.

1. $-4x^{5}(x+2y)$ 2. $(3c^{2})(c^{6}) + 5c(c+2)$ 3. (2x - 7)(3x - 1)



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SAVE OUR OCEANS DAY

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Basic

Solve for the product of the following algebraic expressions as an act of supporting the advocacy of saving our oceans.

1.) 2 □ 3a	2.) 3b 🗆 5	3.) 4c □ 2
4.) 4 🗆 5d	5.) 7e 🗆 4f	6.) 6g 🗆 6h
7.) 9j ⊡ 7k	SAVE DCEAN	8.) 8m 🗆 9m
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Basic

Defend a shoal of fish from a shark attack by getting the product of the following expressions and match it with the choices below. Make sure that you include your complete solution.





Can you tell if these sea creatures are bluffing? Make sure to identify which of these given statements are correct by writing TRUE. Otherwise, make the necessary corrections.

1. To get 5g ² , you should multiply 5g to g ² .
2. If we multiply -3x to -7x, the answer is negative.
3. The degree of the product of -4x ² and 2x is 3.
4. The product of -3x and $4x - 3$ is $9x - 12x^2$.
5. If we multiply two algebraic expressions that are both fractions, the answer is always a fraction.
6. The product of $\frac{2x}{3}$ and 6x is equal to $4x^2$.





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Basic

Help this octopus find his way home by completing the equations below. Provide a checking for your answer.



MATH BATTLE WITH SEA TURTLE



Are you in game to a math battle with the smartest sea turtle in the ocean? Try to answer these questions and prove that you can beat him!

- 1.) What is the area of the rectangular marine portion that is under monitoring if the length is 5ab and the width is 2ac in terms of a, b and c?
- 2.) William High School of Fisheries has an aquatic field with each side is expressed as 3xy. What is the area of the field in terms of x and y?
- 3.) James rode 3x miles on a boat and Amie rode 5x miles on hers in a week. In terms of x, what is the total number of miles they rode in 3 weeks?
- 4.) A motor boat travels at a rate of $4x^2$. What is the distance this motor boat will travel in (3x 8) hours?



MARINE SAVER TEST



Help Omar pass the qualifying exam of becoming a marine saver. Encircle the letter of your answer.

- Justin used the mathematical statement below to show he could change an expression and still get the same answer on both sides: 6 × (12 × 7) = (6 × 12) × 7. What mathematical property did Justin use?
 - a. Identity Property of Multiplication
 - b. Commutative Property of Multiplication
 - c. Distributive Property of Multiplication over Addition
 - d. Associative Property of Multiplication
- 2.) Paula has a rectangular garden whose length is $2x^4$ and whose width is x^3 . What is the area of her garden in terms of x? a. $2x^7$ b. $3x^7$ c. $2x^{12}$ d. $3x^{12}$
- 3.) If $3x^2$ is multiplied by $-5xy^3$ raised to the second power, what would be its answer? a. $30x^4y^6$ c. $225x^6y^6$ b. $-75x^4y^6$ d. $75x^4y^6$
- Express the product of −8u³v and the quantity 3u − 2v in simplified form.
 - a. $-24u^4v + 16u^3v^2$ b. $-11u^3v + 10u^3v^4$
 - c. $24u^4v 3v$
 - d. $-24u^3v + 27u^3v^2$

MATCH WITH THE JELLYFISH



Play a match with this jellyfish by determining the letter of the correct answer per item. Make sure not to get stung by it!

- 1.) -10(11 12x) 2(3x 1)2.) -4(x + 2) - 9(-2x + 3)3.) -7(-19x - 13) + 14(x - 2)4.) -3(7x - 11) - 5(2 - 9x)
- A. 147x + 63
 B. 114x 108
 C. 24x + 23
 - D. 14x 35



MR. SEAHORSE SAYS



Listen to what Mr. Seahorse is saying about these algebraic expressions. Don't miss out the trivia at the bottom page! 1.) What will you multiply to $-12x^4$ to get $30x^6y$? 2.) What should be placed in the blank in the equation $4x^5y^2 \square 3x^2y = ___ \square 2x^2y$ to make both sides equal? 3.) What will you get if you square the product of $-3x^{3}y$ and $2v^{5}$? **TRIVIA:** The female deposits fertilized eggs into the male's pouch, where they gestate safely. Males seen expelling the hatchlings from their pouch gave rise to the old wives tale that males were the ones giving birth. Source: https://www.leisurepro.com/blog/explore-the-blue/10-fun-facts-about-seahorses/

OMAR THE OCEAN DRIVER

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Aside from taking care of the ocean, Omar is also a math enthusiast. Can you solve these given?

Multiply the following.

- 1.)6x(3x 2)(2x + 5)
- 2.)-4(7x-8)(7x+8)
- $3.)-3x(2x 5)^2$
- 4.) $(x 2)(x + 2)(x + 2)^3$



Solution here:



ISLAND PROBLEMS



Solve the following word problems to become a volunteer in saving the seas and oceans.

- 1.) A number, x, increased by 5 is multiplied by the same number, x, increased by 7. What is the product of the two numbers in terms of x?
- 2.) Kyle's marine sanctuary has an area that can be expressed as the trinomial $x^2 + 6x + 9$. In terms of x, what are the dimensions of the sanctuary?
- 3.) The dimensions of a rectangular prism-shaped aquarium can be expressed as x + 2, x 3, and x + 5. In terms of x, what is the volume of the aquarium?
- 4.) The area of the base of a prism-shaped aquarium can be expressed as $x^2 + 3x + 2$ and the height of the prism can be expressed as x 5. What is the volume of this prism in terms of x?





ANSWER GUIDE					
Activity 1					
1.) 6a 2.) 15b 3.) 6c	4.) 20d 5.) 28ef 6.) 36gh	7.) 63jk 8.) 72m ²			
Activity 2					
1.) B 2.) A 3.) D	4.) C 5.) G 6.) H	7.) F 8.) E			
Activity 3					
1.) 5g - 5 2.) Negative - 3.) True	positive	4.) True 5.) Always - sometimes 6.) True			
Activity 4					
1.) 3a 2.) 6 3.) 4d	4.) -13e 5.) -12g				
Activity 5					
1.) 10a ² bc 2.) 9x ² y ² 3.) 24x	4.) 12x ³ - 32x ²	2			

ANSWER GUIDE						
Activity 6						
1.) B	2.) A	3.) D	4.) A			
Activity 7						
1.) B	2.) D	3.) A	4.) C			
Activity 8						
1.) 2.5x ² y 2.) 6x ⁵ y ² 3.) 36x ⁶ y ¹²						
Activity 9						
1.) $36x^3 + 66x^2 - 60x$ 2.) $-196x^2 + 256$ 3.) $-12x^3 + 60x^2 - 75x$ 4.) $x^5 + 6x^4 + 8x^3 - 16x^2 - 48x - 32$						
Activity 10						
1.) $x^{2} + 12x^{2}$ 2.) $(x + 3)(x^{3} + 4x^{2})(x^{3} + 4x^{2})(x^{3} - 2x^{2})$	x + 35 x + 3) ² - 11x - 30 - 13x - 10					



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