

8-1 Study Guide and Intervention

Multiplying Monomials

Multiply Monomials A **monomial** is a number, a variable, or a product of a number and one or more variables. An expression of the form x^n is called a **power** and represents the product you obtain when x is used as a factor n times. To multiply two powers that have the same base, add the exponents.

Product of Powers	For any number a and all integers m and n , $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$.
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Example 1 Simplify $(3x^6)(5x^2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (3x^6)(5x^2) &= (3)(5)(x^6 \cdot x^2) && \text{Associative Property} \\ &= (3 \cdot 5)(x^{6+2}) && \text{Product of Powers} \\ &= 15x^8 && \text{Simplify.} \end{aligned}$$

The product is $15x^8$.

Example 2 Simplify $(-4a^3b)(3a^2b^5)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (-4a^3b)(3a^2b^5) &= (-4)(3)(a^3 \cdot a^2)(b \cdot b^5) \\ &= -12(a^{3+2})(b^{1+5}) \\ &= -12a^5b^6 \end{aligned}$$

The product is $-12a^5b^6$.

Exercises

Simplify.

1. $y(y^5)$

2. $n^2 \cdot n^7$

3. $(-7x^2)(x^4)$

4. $x(x^2)(x^4)$

5. $m \cdot m^5$

6. $(-x^3)(-x^4)$

7. $(2a^2)(8a)$

8. $(rs)(rs^3)(s^2)$

9. $(x^2y)(4xy^3)$

10. $\frac{1}{3}(2a^3b)(6b^3)$

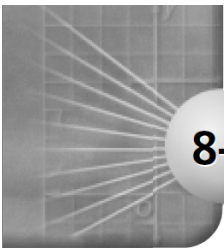
11. $(-4x^3)(-5x^7)$

12. $(-3j^2k^4)(2jk^6)$

13. $(5a^2bc^3)\left(\frac{1}{5}abc^4\right)$

14. $(-5xy)(4x^2)(y^4)$

15. $(10x^3yz^2)(-2xy^5z)$

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7. $a^2(a^3)(a^6)$

8. $x(x^2)(x^7)$

9. $(y^2z)(yz^2)$

10. $(\ell^2k^2)(\ell^3k)$

11. $(e^2f^4)(e^2f^2)$

12. $(cd^2)(c^3d^2)$

13. $(2x^2)(3x^5)$

14. $(5a^7)(4a^2)$

15. $(4xy^3)(3x^3y^5)$

16. $(7a^5b^2)(a^2b^3)$

17. $(-5m^3)(3m^8)$

18. $(-2c^4d)(-4cd)$