

6.3 Simplifying Radicals using Distributive Property

a. I can define like radicals.

b. I can use the Distributive Property to add and subtract radical expressions

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Warm-up: Fill in the blanks

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$$a(b + c) = \underline{a \cdot b} + \underline{a \cdot c}$$

Then simplify...

1. $2x(3x + 7)$

$$6x^2 + 14x$$

2. $4(8x - 2y)$

$$32x - 8y$$

We have discussed how to multiply radicals...

Product Rule $\sqrt[n]{a} \cdot \sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{a \cdot b}$

In order to simplify radical expressions by distributing, we must also know how to add and subtract radicals...

Adding/Subtracting Radicals

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You can only combine Like Radicals.
Like Radicals have exactly the same index #
 and radicand, but may have different coefficients.

Practice: Draw a line to match the like radicals

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 -3\sqrt{7} & \sqrt[3]{7} \\
 2\sqrt{18} & 2\sqrt[3]{20} \\
 4\sqrt[3]{7} & 4\sqrt{7} \\
 \sqrt[3]{20} & 3\sqrt{18}
 \end{array}$$

Adding/Subtracting Radicals

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Combine like radicals as you would other like terms:

- Combine the Coefficients.
- Keep the same radical ending

$$1) \quad 2\sqrt{5} + 7\sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{6}$$

$$9\sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{6}$$

$$2) \quad -10\sqrt[3]{2} - 10\sqrt[3]{7} + 1\sqrt[3]{2}$$

$$-9\sqrt[3]{2} - 10\sqrt[3]{7}$$

Let's put it all together...

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Simplify by Distributing

Step 1 - Write as the sum of two products

$$3) \quad 3\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{8})$$

Step 2 - Simplify the products, if necessary

$$3\sqrt{5 \cdot 2} + 3 \cdot 2\sqrt{5 \cdot 8}$$

Step 3 - Combine Like Radicals, if necessary

$$3\sqrt{10} + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2\sqrt{10}$$

$$3\sqrt{10} + 12\sqrt{10}$$

$$15\sqrt{10}$$

Simplify the following by Distributing

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$$4) \quad 3\sqrt{10}(\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{8})$$

$$3\sqrt{10 \cdot 2} + 15\sqrt{10 \cdot 8}$$

$$3 \cdot 2\sqrt{5} + 15 \cdot 2 \cdot 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$6\sqrt{5} + 60\sqrt{5}$$

$$66\sqrt{5}$$

Simplify the following by Distributing

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$$5) \quad -10\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{15} + \sqrt{10})$$

$$-10\sqrt{5 \cdot 3} \quad -10\sqrt{5 \cdot 2}$$

$$-10 \cdot 5\sqrt{3} \quad -10 \cdot 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$-50\sqrt{3} - 50\sqrt{2}$$

Simplify the following by Distributing

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$$6) \quad -3\sqrt{7}(5\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6})$$

Homework

Complete problems #1-4 by tomorrow

#5 - 16 will be completed during class tomorrow

Short Quiz on Thursday