

## § 1.3 ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

# 13, 19, 21, 31, 34, 41, 49, 51, 52  
 63, 65, 69, 71, 75, 77, 125

13. 4-TERM-POLYNOMIAL, TERMS:  $x, -x^2, x^3, -x^4$ , 4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE

19.  $(5x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x) - (x^2 + 7x + 2)$

$$5x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - x^2 - 7x - 2$$

$$\boxed{5x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x - 2}$$

21.  $8(2x+5) - 7(x-9)$

$$16x + 40 - 7x + 63 = \boxed{9x + 103}$$

31.  $(5x+1)^2 = (5x)^2 + 2(5x)(1) + (1)^2$

$$= \boxed{25x^2 + 10x + 1}$$

34.  $(x-3y)^2 = (x)^2 - 2(x)(3y) + (3y)^2 = \boxed{x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2}$

or  $= (x)^2 + 2(x)(-3y) + (-3y)^2 = \rightarrow$

41.  $(\sqrt{x}+2)(\sqrt{x}-2) = (\sqrt{x})^2 - (2)^2 = \boxed{x-4}$

49.  $(2x-5)(x^2-x+1) = 2x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x - 5x^2 + 5x - 5$

$$= \boxed{2x^3 - 7x^2 + 7x - 5}$$

$$51. \sqrt{x}(x - \sqrt{x}) = x\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x}^2 = \boxed{x\sqrt{x} - x}$$

$$52. x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right) = x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

$$= x^{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} = \boxed{x^2 - x}$$

$$63. -2x^3 + x = \boxed{x(-2x^2 + 1)}$$

$$65. y(y-6) + 9(y-6) = \boxed{(y+9)(y-6)}$$

$$69. x^2 + 8x + 7$$

$$\frac{\textcircled{O}}{\textcircled{O}} \cdot \frac{\square}{\square} = 7 \quad (7 \text{ AND } 1)$$

$$\boxed{(x+7)(x+1)}$$

$$71. 8x^2 - 14x - 15$$

GUESS & CHECK THE 8 CAN ONLY BE FACTORED 2 WAYS:  $8 = 8 \cdot 1 = 4 \cdot 2$

AND 15 CAN ONLY BE FACTORED 2 WAYS:  $15 = 15 \cdot 1 = 5 \cdot 3$

SO THE ONLY POSSIBILITIES ARE:  $(8x \pm 15)(x \pm 1)$ ,  $(4x \pm 15)(2x \pm 1)$   
 $(8x \pm 1)(x \pm 15)$ ,  $(4x \pm 1)(2x \pm 15)$   
 $(8x \pm 5)(x \pm 3)$ ,  $(4x \pm 5)(2x \pm 3)$   
 $(8x \pm 3)(x \pm 5)$ ,  $(4x \pm 3)(2x \pm 5)$

AND SINCE THE PRODUCT IS  $-15$  (NEGATIVE!) WE NEED ONE + AND ONE -.

THE ONLY ONE THAT WORKS IS  $\boxed{(4x+3)(2x-5)}$

Alternatively, we can use the method of splitting the middle term:

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x^2 - 14x - 15 \\ \hline (8)(-15) = -120 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -20 \cdot 6 = -120 \\ -20 + 6 = -14 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x^2 - 14x - 15 &= \underbrace{8x^2 - 20x}_{4x(2x-5)} + \underbrace{6x - 15}_{3(2x-5)} && (\text{Factor by Grouping}) \\ &= 4x(2x-5) + 3(2x-5) \\ &= \boxed{(4x+3)(2x-5)} \end{aligned}$$

75.  $(3x+2)^2 + 8(3x+2) + 12$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } w = 3x+2 &\rightarrow w^2 + 8w + 12 \\ &= (w+6)(w+2) \\ &\rightarrow (3x+2+6)(3x+2+2) \\ &= \boxed{(3x+8)(3x+4)} \end{aligned}$$

77.  $9a^2 - 16 = (3a)^2 - (4)^2 = \boxed{(3a+4)(3a-4)}$

75.  $(a^2+1)^2 - 7(a^2+1) + 10$ , let  $w = a^2 + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow w^2 - 7w + 10 = (w-5)(w-2) && (\text{Differences of Squares!}) \\ &\rightarrow (a^2+1-5)(a^2+1-2) = (a^2-4)(a^2-1) \\ &= \boxed{(a+2)(a-2)(a+1)(a-1)} \end{aligned}$$