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WORKSHEET IDENTIFYING SIMILAR TERMS

Similar terms are exactly the same except for their coefficients.

EXAMPLES OF SIMILAR TERMS

3x and -x; 7xy and 6yx; $2\frac{3}{4}a^2 \text{ and } 6a^2$; $\frac{1}{2}x^2 \text{ and } 4x^2$; ab and 3ab; 10ab and -2ab

EXAMPLES OF TERMS THAT ARE NOT SIMILAR

 $3x \text{ and } 3x^2$; $\frac{2}{3}a^2 \text{ and } 3ab$; $4a \text{ and } 9b^2$; 4ab and 4a; $-3x^2y \text{ and } -3xy^2$; 10a and 10ab

DIRECTIONS: Every term is similar to another term below. Identify each pair of similar terms.

$$3x$$
; $\frac{1}{5}x^2$; $-x^2$; $6a$; $8ab$; $7x$; $6a^2b$; $2ba$; $\frac{1}{4}a^2b$; $3x^2y$; $-a$; $6x^2y$