

SKILL**Skills Readiness****63****Simplify Polynomial Expressions**

To simplify a polynomials expression:

- Step 1: Remove all parentheses by using the Distributive Property (if needed).
- Step 2: Identify and combine like terms.

Example: Simplify $2x(x + 6) + x^2 - 10x$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2x(x + 6) + x^2 - 10x \\
 &= 2x(x) + 2x(6) + x^2 - 10x \\
 &= \underline{2x^2} + \underline{12x} + \underline{x^2} - 10x \\
 &= 3x^2 + 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

Use the Distributive Property.

Multiply using properties of exponents.
Combine like terms.**Practice on Your Own**

Simplify each expression.

1. $12m + 7n - 9n$

2. $4x - y - 6x + 9y$

3. $7p - 3q + 4(2p + q)$

4. $5(d - 2e) + 3(5d + 4e)$

5. $24t^2 + 5t - 15t + t$

6. $2r^2s - rs + 5rs^2 - r^2s + 7rs$

7. $5(7f^2 - 3f + 1) - 20f^2 + 10f$

8. $p^2(3p - 5) + p(7p + 8)$

9. $18g^2(1 - 2g) - 5g^2 + 10g^3$

10. $jk(3j^2 + 5k) + j^2(2jk + 4)$

Check

Simplify each expression.

11. $2x - 7x + 5y$

12. $9a + 14b + b - 7a$

13. $20g - 14h + 6(g + 2h)$

14. $9u^3 - 4u^2 + 5u - u^3 - 10u - 3u^2$

15. $10(2p^2 - p - 1) + 7p^2 - 3$

16. $2c(9 - 5c) + 6(c^2 - c)$
