

Routine Algebra Test #3

1. Simplify fully: $\frac{1}{2}x^4 \times 6x$
2. Simplify fully: $2x^2 - 4x + 6x^2 - 2x$
3. Simplify fully: $\frac{9x^2}{3x^2}$
4. Simplify fully: $\frac{18k}{6k^3}$
5. Expand and simplify: $4(x + 4) - 2(x + 5)$
6. Expand and simplify: $5x(x + y)$
7. Expand and simplify: $(x - 1)(x + 1)$
8. Expand and simplify: $(x + 3)^2$
9. Factorise fully: $6x + 18$
10. Factorise fully: $x^2y - xy$
11. Factorise fully: $x^2 + 11x + 30$
12. Factorise fully: $x^2 + 3x - 28$
13. Solve: $2x + 10 = 15$
14. Solve: $8x + 12 = 5$
15. Solve: $2x + 16 = 5x - 2$
16. Solve: $4x + 5 = 9x - 12$
17. Solve: $\frac{1}{3}(x + 1) = 4.1$
18. Solve: $\frac{2x + 4}{7} = 11$
19. Calculate $E = 5xy$ when $x = 3$ and $y = -2$
20. Calculate $F = \frac{-x}{x - 8}$ when $x = 4$

Answers: Routine Algebra Test #3

1. $\frac{1}{2}x^4 \times 6x = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times x^4 \times x = 3x^5$
2. $2x^2 - 4x + 6x^2 - 2x = 8x^2 - 6x$
3. $\frac{9x^2}{3x^2} = \frac{\cancel{3x^2} \times 3}{\cancel{3x^2} \times 1} = 3$
4. $\frac{18k}{6k^3} = \frac{\cancel{6k} \times 3}{\cancel{6k} \times k^3} = \frac{3}{k^2}$ (or $3k^{-2}$)
5. $4(x+4) - 2(x+5) = 4x + 16 - 2x - 10 = 2x + 6$
6. $5x(x+y) = 5x \times x + 5x \times y = 5x^2 + 5xy$
7. $(x-1)(x+1) = x^2 + 1x - 1x - 1 = x^2 - 1$ (or $x^2 +^{-1}$)
8. $(x+3)^2 = (x+3)(x+3) = x^2 + 3x + 3x + 9 = x^2 + 6x + 9$ (any order)
9. $6x + 18 = 6 \times x + 6 \times 3 = 6(x+3)$
10. $x^2y - xy = xy \times x - xy \times 1 = xy(x-1)$ (no alternative)
11. $x^2 + 11x + 30$ $30 = 30 \times 1, 10 \times 3$ or 6×5 $= (x+6)(x+5)$ or $(x+5)(x+6)$
12. $x^2 + 3x - 28$ $-35 = -28 \times 1, -14 \times 2, -7 \times 4$ etc $= (x+7)(x-4)$ or $(x-4)(x+7)$
13. $2x + 10 = 15$ $2x + \cancel{10} - \cancel{10} = 15 - 10$ $x = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5$
14. $8x + 12 = 5$ $8x + \cancel{12} - \cancel{12} = 5 - 12$ $x = \frac{-7}{8} = -0.875$
15. $2x + 16 = 5x - 2$ $\cancel{2x} - \cancel{2x} + 16 + 2 = 5x - 2x - \cancel{2} + \cancel{2}$ $x = \frac{18}{3}$ $x = 6$
16. $4x + 5 = 9x - 12$ $\cancel{4x} - \cancel{4x} + 5 + 12 = 9x - 4x - \cancel{12} + \cancel{12}$ $x = \frac{17}{5} = 3.4$
17. $\frac{1}{3}(x+1) = 4.1$ $3 \times \frac{1}{3}(x+1) = 3 \times 4.1$ $x+1 = 12.3$ $x = 11.3$
18. $\frac{2x+4}{7} = 11$ $2x+4 = 7 \times 11$ $2x = 77 - 4$ $x = \frac{73}{2} = 36.5$
19. $E = 5xy$ if $x = 3$ and $y = -2$ $= 5 \times 3 \times -2$ $\Rightarrow E = -30$
20. $F = \frac{-x}{x-8}$ if $x = 4$ $= \frac{-4}{4-8}$ $= \frac{-4}{-4}$ $\Rightarrow F = 1$