

3.0 Multiply Radicals

Math 20-2

Radicals

number × number

Skill Review: multiply polynomials: $\sqrt{A}R \times \sqrt{A}R$

$$3(2x) = 6x$$

$$5x(4x + 3) = 20x^2 + 15x$$

$$(3x - 4)(2x - 5) = 6x^2 - 15x - 8x + 20 \\ = 6x^2 - 23x + 20$$

Objective: Multiply and Simplify Radical Expressions.

1. Monomial Multiplication (whole by whole & radical by radical). Multiply the following radicals and simplify if possible.

a. $\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{6}$

$$= \sqrt{30}$$

b. $\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{7}$

$$= \sqrt{42}$$

... multiply ..

c. $3\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{15}$

$$= 3\sqrt{90}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{9}\sqrt{10}$$

$$= 3(3)\sqrt{10}$$

$$= 9\sqrt{10}$$

d. $3\sqrt{5} \times 4\sqrt{8}$

$$= 12\sqrt{40}$$

$$= 12\sqrt{4}\sqrt{10}$$

$$= 12(2)\sqrt{10}$$

$$= 24\sqrt{10}$$

... simplify ..

e. $\sqrt{18} \times \sqrt{15}$

$$= \sqrt{9}\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{15}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{15}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{30}$$

f. $\sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{12}$

multiply
 $\sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{12}$

$$= \sqrt{240}$$

$$= \sqrt{16}\sqrt{15}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{15}$$

vs simplify

$$= \sqrt{4}\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{4}\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{5} \times 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{15}$$

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2. Distributive Property. Multiply and simplify wherever possible.

$$a. \underline{3(5\sqrt{2}-7)} \\ = 15\sqrt{2} - 21$$

$$c. (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5})(3\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{10}) \\ = 3\sqrt{12} - 2\sqrt{20} + 3\sqrt{30} - 2\sqrt{50} \\ = 3\sqrt{4}\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{4}\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{30} - 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2} \\ = 3(2)\sqrt{3} - 2(2)\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{30} - 2(5)\sqrt{2} \\ = 6\sqrt{3} - 4\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{30} - 10\sqrt{2}$$

$$b. \underline{\sqrt{2}(3\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{10})} \\ = 3\sqrt{12} + \sqrt{20} \\ = 3\sqrt{4}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4}\sqrt{5} \\ = 3(2)\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{5} \\ = 6\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{5} \\ d. (\underline{5\sqrt{2}} - 2\sqrt{6})(\underline{5\sqrt{2}} - 2\sqrt{6}) \\ = 25\sqrt{4} - 10\sqrt{2} - 10\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{36} \\ = 25(2) - 20\sqrt{2} + 4(6) \\ = 50 - 20\sqrt{4}\sqrt{3} + 24 \\ = 74 - 20(2)\sqrt{3} \\ = 74 - 40\sqrt{3}$$

$$e. (\underline{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}})(\underline{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}) \\ = \sqrt{25} - \underbrace{\sqrt{15} + \sqrt{15}}_{\text{zero}} - \sqrt{9} \\ = \sqrt{25} - \sqrt{9} \\ = 5 - 3 \\ = 2$$

$$f. (\underline{2+7\sqrt{5}})(\underline{2+\sqrt{5}}) \\ = 4 + 2\sqrt{5} + 14\sqrt{5} + 7\sqrt{25} \\ = 4 + 16\sqrt{5} + 7(5) \\ = 4 + 16\sqrt{5} + 35 \\ = 39 + 16\sqrt{5}$$