

# Like terms/Solving Equations

## How to ...

How to ... split the expression  
(a) Simplify  $5x + 4y + x - 7y$  after every term.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 5x + x + 4y - 7y \\
 6x - 3y \\
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 = 6x - 3y
 \end{array} \quad (2)$$

sometimes you will have to expand brackets before collecting 'like' terms

(b) Solve  $7(x + 2) = 7$  ... let's expand the bracket first

$$(-14) \quad 7x + 14 = 7$$

$$(\div 7) \quad \frac{7x}{7} = -\frac{7}{7}$$

Remember you can have negative values... (2)  
you can also have decimals and fractions 😊

Now have a go yourself ...

## **MUST**

- a)**  $5x + 4y + 6x + 7y$     **b)**  $7x + 2y - 5x - 7y$   
**c)**  $7x - 7y + 11x - 4y$     **d)**  $2x - 7y + 11x - 4y$   
**e)**  $-2x + 3y - 3x$     **f)**  $5x^2 + 3x - 2x^2 + 2$

## SHOULD

- a)**  $2(2x + 5)$     **b)**  $3(2x + 4)$     **c)**  $6(4x + 7)$   
**d)**  $x(2x - 3)$     **e)**  $2x(2x - 3)$     **f)**  $3x(x - 1)$   
**g)**  $3x + 1 = 7$     **h)**  $2x+1 = 11$     **i)**  $3x+6 = 30$

COULD

- a)**  $6x - 1 = 5$     **b)**  $3x - 2 = 16$     **c)**  $2x - 7 = 7$

**d)**  $15 = 6 - 12x$     **e)**  $3x + 8 = 2$     **f)**  $15 + 3x = 3$

**g)**  $-5 = 4 + 3x$     **h)**  $10x + 5 = 5$     **i)**  $3x + 5 = 2$

**j)**  $6 = 3 - 10x$     **k)**  $12 - 2x = 11$     **l)**  $8x + 6 = 12$

$$0.5 \quad -3 \quad 4x+10 \quad 1 \quad 18x-11y \quad -0.75 \quad 8$$

$$3x^2+3x+2 \quad -2 \quad 13x-11y \quad -1 \quad 3x^2-3x \quad 11x+11y$$

$$7 \quad 2x-5y \quad 24x+42 \quad 0.75 \quad 0 \quad 6x+12$$

$$4x^2 - 6x \quad 5 \quad -0.3 \quad 2x^2 - 3x \quad 6 \quad -5x + 3y \quad -4 \quad 2$$

## Exam Questions

Simplify the following:

a)  $4(3x+5)$       b)  $5(x - 2)$

c)  $2(x - 4) + 3(x + 5)$     d)  $4(2m - 3m)$

e)  $13x - 24y + 17x + 14y$

f)  $2a + 3b - a - b$       g)  $4m(2m - 1)$

h)  $6(1 - 2x) - 3(x + 1) = 0$

i)  $5x - 16 = 4$       j)  $3(x + 2) = 4$

k)  $2q - 4 = 5q + 5$       l)  $2x + 4 = 6(x - 1)$

## Ready to be marked ?

### Checklist



Answer checked

Working out shown

### Keywords



### Things to remember ...



### What went well ...



### Teacher comment ..