



## Distributive Law (Simplifying).

$$(3)(5) \rightarrow 3 \text{ times } 5$$

$$(3)(x+1)$$

means: 3 times  
both  $x$  and  $+1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expand: } & (3)(x+1) \\ & = 3x+3 \end{aligned}$$

Simplify: *expand using distributive property*

$$\begin{aligned} & (4)(x+3) - (+2x+1) \\ & = 4x+12 - (+2x) - (+1) \\ & = 4x+12-2x-1 \\ & = 4x-2x+12-1 \\ & = 2x+11 \end{aligned}$$

Distributive Law:

$$\begin{aligned} & a(b+c) \\ & = ab+ac \end{aligned}$$

$$a(b+c) = ab+ac$$

You TRY: Expand and Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } & (3)(x-4) \\ & = 3x-12 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } & (-3)(x-4) \\ & = -3x+12 \end{aligned}$$

$$c) \quad 2(4x - 1)$$

$$= 8x - 2$$

$$d) \quad (2)(3x^2 + 1)$$

$$= 6x^2 + 2$$

$$e) \quad (-4)(3x^2 + x - 5)$$

$$= -4(3x^2) + (-4)(x) + (-4)(-5)$$

$$= -12x^2 - 4x + (+20)$$

$$= -12x^2 - 4x + 20$$

$$e) \quad -4(3x^2 + 1x - 5)$$

$$= -12x^2 - 4x + 20$$

Example:

$$a) \quad (x)(3x + 1)$$

$$= 3x^2 + x$$

$$b) \quad (x)(x^2 - 4x + 3)$$

$$= x^3 - 4x^2 + 3x$$

### Exponent Laws

- $(x^3)(x^2)$   
 $= x^{3+2} = x^5$
- $x^1(x^1) = x^{1+1}$   
 $= x^2$

You TRY:

a)  $4(3x+1)$

ans:  $12x + 4$

b)  $-3(5x-2)$

ans:  $-15x + 6$

c)  $2(x-1) - 3(x+1)$

ans:  $-x - 5$

d)  $x(4x-1)$

ans:  $4x^2 - x$

e)  $x(3x^2 - 5x - 6)$

ans:  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x$

f)  $2x(4x^2 + 3x - 1)$

ans:  $8x^3 + 6x^2 - 2x$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x(-1) \\ &= 2(-1)x \\ &= -2x \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{array}{l} \underline{2x^1}(\underline{4x^2}) \quad | \quad \underline{2x^1}(\underline{+3x^1}) \\ 8x^{1+2} \quad | \quad = 6x^2 \end{array}$$

c)  $2(x-1) - 3(x+1)$

$= 2x - 2 - 3x - 3$

$= 2x - 3x - 2 - 3$

$= \boxed{-x - 5}$

f)  $(\underline{2x})(\underline{4x^2 + 3x - 1})$

$= 8x^{1+2} + 6x^{1+1} - 2x$

$= \boxed{8x^3 + 6x^2 - 2x}$