

Worksheet 3-1: Expanding Binomials**Binomials:****Binomials are algebraic expressions with two terms.**

Examine the following algebraic expressions. Circle all the binomials.

$x^2 + 2x - 3$

$3xy$

$4xy + 2$

$8a$

$x^2 + y$

$5b - 7$

Recall: Distributive Property

When expanding brackets, we distribute the property of the number or math operation outside the brackets to every term inside the brackets.

e.g., $3(x+4) = 3x+12$ and $-(x+1) = -x-1$

How do we expand $(x+1)(x+2)$?

$$(x+1)(x+2)$$

$$= (x)(x) + (x)(2) + (1)(x) + (2)(1) \rightarrow \text{Multiply each term in the left brackets to every single term in the right brackets}$$

$$= x^2 + 2x + x + 2$$

$$= x^2 + 3x + 2 \rightarrow \text{Collect like terms.}$$

Example 1:

(a) $(x+4)(x+5)$

(b) $(y+6)(y+3)$

(c) $(a+7)(a-1)$

(d) $(2m-4)(m+3)$

(e) $(n-10)(3n-9)$

(f) $(2w-3)(5w-7)$

To multiply monomials: **1st multiply the signs; 2nd multiply the numbers; 3rd multiply the variables**

Simplify.

2. $(x+7)(x+2)$

3. $(y-9)(y+5)$

4. $(x+5)(x-1)$

5. $(y-6)(y-7)$

6. $(2x+1)(x+3)$

7. $(x+5)(3x+1)$

8. $(4x-1)(2x+3)$

9. $(5x+3)(2x-7)$

10. $(6x-5)(2x-4)$

11. $(3x-2)(6x-5)$

Answers: 1. (a) $x^2 + 9x + 20$, (b) $y^2 + 9y + 18$, (c) $a^2 + 6a - 7$, (d) $2m^2 + 2m - 12$, (e) $3n^2 - 39n + 90$,
(f) $10w^2 - 29w + 21$; 2. $x^2 + 9x + 14$; 3. $y^2 - 4y - 45$; 4. $x^2 + 4x - 5$; 5. $y^2 - 13y + 42$;
6. $2x^2 + 7x + 3$; 7. $3x^2 + 16x + 5$; 8. $8x^2 + 10x - 3$, 9. $10x^2 - 29x - 21$, 10. $12x^2 - 34x + 20$,
11. $18x^2 - 27x + 10$