# Bell Work

Simplify the following:

- 1. x(2x 4)
- 2. -7(x 2)

# Lesson 1.4 The Distributive Property

- Objectives:
  - \_ Use the Distributive Property to evaluate expressions.
  - \_ Use the Distributive Property to simplify expressions.

# **Distributive Property:**

$$A(B + C) = AB + AC$$

$$(B + C)A = BA + CA$$

$$3(2+5) = 3 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 5$$
  
 $3(7) = 6 + 15$   
 $21 = 21$   
 $4(9-7) = 4 \cdot 9 - 4 \cdot 7$   
 $4(2) = 36 - 28$   
 $8 - 8$ 

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# **Examples**

A. Rewrite 12(y + 3) using the Distributive Property. Then simplify.

$$12(y+3) = 12 \bullet y + 12 \bullet 3$$
 Distributive Property  
=  $12y + 36$  Multiply.

B. Rewrite  $4(y^2 + 8y + 2)$  using the Distributive Property. Then simplify.

$$4(y^2 + 8y + 2) = 4(y^2) + 4(8y) + 4(2)$$
 Distributive Property   
=  $4y^2 + 32y + 8$  Multiply.

# **Practice**

A. Simplify 6(x - 4).

**B.** Simplify  $3(x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 7)$ .

C. Simplify  $(x^2 - 2x + 3)(-2)$ 

# **Combining Like Terms**

<u>Like Terms</u> - contain the same variables, with corresponding variables having the same power (SAME LETTER(S) AND EXPONENTS)



<u>Coefficient</u> - the numerical factor of a term (number in front of a variable)

<u>Simplest Form</u> - an expression that contains no like terms or parentheses (Must add coefficients of like terms)

Simplify 17a + 21a.

Simplify  $12b^2 - 8b^2 + 6b$ .

Simplify the following:

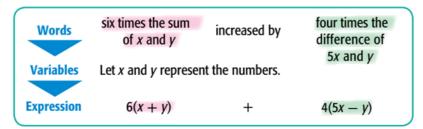
1) 
$$14x - 9x + 3 - 2x^2$$

2) 
$$-8y^2 - 10y + 12y^2 + 2xy$$

#### Write and Simplify Expressions

Use the expression six times the sum of x and y increased by four times the difference of 5x and y.

A. Write an algebraic expression for the verbal expression.



B. Simplify the expression and indicate the properties used.

$$6(x + y) + 4(5x - y)$$
  
=  $6(x) + 6(y) + 4(5x) - 4(y)$  Distributive Property  
=  $6x + 6y + 20x - 4y$  Multiply.  
=  $6x + 20x + 6y - 4y$  Commutative (+)  
=  $(6 + 20)x + (6 - 4)y$  Distributive Property  
=  $26x + 2y$  Substitution

#### **Practice**

Use the expression three times the difference of 2x and y increased by two times the sum of 4x and y.

A. Write an algebraic expression for the verbal expression.

B. Simplify the expression 3(2x - y) + 2(4x + y).

# **Using Distribution for Mental Math**

You can use the Distributive Property to make mental math easier.

# **Example 2** Mental Math

Use the Distributive Property to rewrite 7 • 49. Then evaluate.

$$7 \cdot 49 = 7(50 - 1)$$
 Think:  $49 = 50 - 1$   
=  $7(50) - 7(1)$  Distributive Property  
=  $350 - 7$  Multiply.  
=  $343$  Subtract.

# **Practice**

Use the Distributive Property to rewrite 12 ● 82. Then evaluate.

12 • 82 = 
$$(10 + 2)82$$
 Think:  $12 = 10 + 2$ 
=  $10(82) + 2(82)$  Distributive Property
=  $820 + 164$  Multiply.
=  $984$  Add.

Use the Distributive Property to rewrite 6 ● 54. Then evaluate.



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