

National 5 Homework : 1 year course

Algebraic Skills

1. Remove the brackets:

(a) $2(x + 5)$ (b) $y(a - y)$ (c) $2x(3x - 5y)$ (d) $c^2(c^2 + c - 4)$

2 Simplify the following expressions:

(a) $3(2c + d) - 2d$ (b) $5p(p - 2) - 4p(p - 6)$

3 Multiply out the brackets then simplify the following expressions:

(a) $(x + 3)(x + 2)$ (b) $(a - 1)(a + 3)$ (c) $(x - 2)^2$ (d) $(5x - 1)(4x + 7)$
(e) $(3p - 1)(2p + 3) - 2p$ (f) $(x - 2)(4x^2 - 3x + 2)$

4 Factorise the following expressions **completely**:

(a) $6a + 3b$ (c) $4 - x^2$ (d) $t^2 + 6t - 16$ (e) $h^2 - 13h + 36$
(g) $4a^2 + 4a + 1$ (h) $3d^2 - 4d - 4$ (j) $4x^3 - 10x^2 - 6x$

5 Complete the square for:

(a) $x^2 + 8x$ (b) $t^2 + 6t - 1$ (c) $4d^2 - 16d + 3$