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## Part 1: Building a Foundation

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What is the degree of the polynomial  $(4x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 7)$ ?

*Hint: Consider the highest power of the variable in the polynomial.*

- A) 1  
 B) 2  
 C) 3 ✓  
 D) 4

■ The degree of the polynomial is the highest exponent of the variable, which is 3.

Which of the following are terms of the polynomial  $(5x^2 - 3x + 4)$ ?

*Hint: Identify the individual components of the polynomial.*

- A)  $(5x^2)$  ✓  
 B)  $(-3x)$  ✓  
 C)  $(4)$  ✓  
 D)  $(x^3)$

■ The terms of the polynomial are  $(5x^2)$ ,  $(-3x)$ , and  $(4)$ .

Define a polynomial and give an example.

*Hint: A polynomial is a mathematical expression involving a sum of powers in one or more variables multiplied by coefficients.*

A polynomial is an expression like  $(ax^n + bx^{n-1} + \dots + k)$  where  $(a, b, k)$  are constants and  $(n)$  is a non-negative integer. An example is  $(2x^2 + 3x + 1)$ .

Identify the coefficient and the degree of the term  $(7x^4)$ .

Hint: The coefficient is the number in front of the variable, and the degree is the exponent of the variable.

1. What is the coefficient?

7

2. What is the degree?

4

The coefficient is 7 and the degree is 4.

## Part 2: comprehension and Application

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Which statement best describes the process of adding polynomials?

Hint: Think about how you combine similar terms.

- A) Add the coefficients of all terms regardless of their variables.
- B) Add only the constant terms.
- C) Add the coefficients of like terms. ✓
- D) Add the highest degree terms only.

The correct process is to add the coefficients of like terms.

When subtractING the polynomial  $(2x^2 - 3x + 5)$  from  $(4x^2 + x - 2)$ , which steps are necessary?

Hint: Consider the steps involved in polynomial subtraction.

- A) Change the signs of the terms in the second polynomial. ✓
- B) Align like terms. ✓
- C) Subtract the coefficients of like terms. ✓
- D) Multiply the polynomials.

The necessary steps include changing the signs of the second polynomial and aligning like terms.

A rectangle has a length represented by the polynomial  $(3x + 2)$  and a width represented by  $(x - 1)$ . Write an expression for the perimeter of the rectangle.

Hint: The perimeter of a rectangle is given by the formula  $(P = 2(l + w))$ .

The expression for the perimeter is  $2((3x + 2) + (x - 1)) = 2(4x + 1) = 8x + 2$ .

What is the result of adding the polynomials  $(3x^2 + 2x - 1)$  and  $(x^2 - 4x + 3)$ ?

Hint: Combine like terms carefully.

- A)  $(4x^2 - 2x + 2)$  ✓
- B)  $(4x^2 - 6x + 2)$
- C)  $(2x^2 - 2x + 2)$
- D)  $(4x^2 + 6x - 4)$

The result of adding the polynomials is  $(4x^2 - 2x + 2)$ .

### Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

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Which of the following best describes the relationship between the terms of the polynomial  $(2x^3 - 4x^2 + x - 5)$ ?

Hint: Consider the degrees of each term.

- A) All terms have the same degree.
- B) The terms have different degrees. ✓
- C) All terms are constants.
- D) The polynomial has no like terms.

■ The terms have different degrees, indicating they are not like terms.

When analyzing the polynomial  $(5x^2 - 3x + 7)$ , which statements are true?

Hint: Evaluate each statement based on the polynomial's structure.

- A) The polynomial has three terms. ✓
- B) The degree of the polynomial is 2. ✓
- C) The coefficient of the linear term is -3. ✓
- D) The constant term is 7. ✓

■ The true statements are that the polynomial has three terms, the degree is 2, and the coefficient of the linear term is -3.

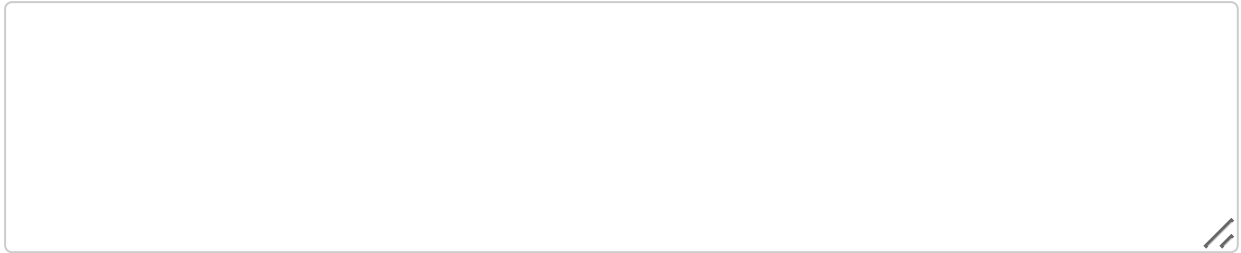
Evaluate the polynomial  $(x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6)$  and determine if it can be factored into linear factors. Explain your reasoning.

Hint: Use the Rational Root Theorem or synthetic division to evaluate.

■ The polynomial can be factored into linear factors, and the reasoning involves finding its roots.

Create a polynomial that represents the area of a triangle with a base of  $(2x + 3)$  and a height of  $(x - 1)$ . Write the polynomial and explain your reasoning.

Hint: The area of a triangle is given by  $(A = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height})$ .



The polynomial for the area is  $(A = \frac{1}{2}(2x + 3)(x - 1))$ , which simplifies to a quadratic expression.