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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the definition of a polynomial?

Hint: Consider the operations involved in the expression.

- ◯ A) An expression with variables and coefficients, involving only addition and subtraction.
- ◯ B) An expression with variables and coefficients, involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and non-negative integer exponents.
- ◯ C) An expression with variables and coefficients, involving only multiplication and division.
- ◯ D) An expression with variables and coefficients, involving only non-negative integer exponents.

Which of the following are methods for dividing polynomials?

Hint: Think about the techniques used in polynomial division.

- ☐ A) Long Division
- ☐ B) Synthetic Division
- ☐ C) Matrix Division
- ☐ D) Factorization

Explain the Remainder Theorem in your own words.

Hint: Consider how the theorem relates to polynomial division.

List the steps involved in polynomial long division.

Hint: Think about the process of dividing numbers.

1. Step 1

2. Step 2

3. Step 3

4. Step 4

5. Step 5

What is the form of a divisor suitable for synthetic division?

Hint: Consider the structure of the divisor.

- ◯ A) x^2 + bx + c
- ◯ B) x - c
- ◯ C) ax + b
- ◯ D) x^3 + bx^2 + cx + d

Part 2: Understanding and Application

What does the Factor Theorem state about a polynomial f(x) and a factor x - c?

Hint: Think about the relationship between the polynomial and its roots.

- ◯ A) f(c) = 0 implies x - c is a factor of f(x).
- ◯ B) f(c) ≠ 0 implies x - c is a factor of f(x).
- ◯ C) f(c) = 0 implies x + c is a factor of f(x).
- ◯ D) f(c) ≠ 0 implies x + c is a factor of f(x).

Which statements are true about polynomial division?

Hint: Consider the properties of the quotient and remainder.

- [ ] A) The quotient is always a polynomial of lower degree than the dividend.
- [ ] B) The remainder is always a constant.
- [ ] C) The remainder can be a polynomial of lower degree than the divisor.
- [ ] D) The division process stops when the degree of the remainder is less than the degree of the divisor.

Describe how synthetic division simplifies the division process compared to long division.

Hint: Think about the steps involved in both methods.

Perform the long division of 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x + 6 by x - 2 and provide the quotient and remainder.

Hint: Follow the steps of polynomial long division carefully.

Using synthetic division, divide x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 by x - 3. List the quotient and remainder.

Hint: Set up the synthetic division correctly with the coefficients.

1. Quotient

2. Remainder

If f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 4, what is the remainder when f(x) is divided by x - 2?

Hint: Evaluate the polynomial at the root of the divisor.

- ◯ A) 0
- ◯ B) 2
- ◯ C) 4
- ◯ D) -2

Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

Analyze the relationship between the Remainder Theorem and the Factor Theorem. How do they complement each other in polynomial division?

Hint: Consider how both the Remainder and Factor Theorem are used in polynomial division.

Which of the following statements correctly describe the outcomes of polynomial division?

Hint: Think about the properties of the quotient and remainder.

- ☐ A) The degree of the quotient is always one less than the degree of the dividend.
- ☐ B) The remainder can be zero, indicating the divisor is a factor of the dividend.
- ☐ C) If the remainder is non-zero, the divisor is not a factor of the dividend.
- ☐ D) The degree of the remainder is always less than the degree of the divisor.

Given f(x) = x^3 - 7x + 6, determine if x - 1 is a factor of f(x).

Hint: Evaluate the polynomial at x = 1.

- ◯ A) Yes, because f(1) = 0.
- ◯ B) No, because f(1) ≠ 0.
- ◯ C) Yes, because f(-1) = 0.

◯ D) No, because f(-1) ≠ 0.

Evaluate the effectiveness of using synthetic division over long division in solving polynomial division problems. Discuss scenarios where one method might be preferred over the other.

Hint: Consider the complexity and efficiency of both methods.

Create a polynomial g(x) such that when divided by x - 3, the remainder is 5. Provide the polynomial and explain your reasoning.

Hint: Think about how to construct a polynomial with a specific remainder.

1. Polynomial

2. Reason

Which of the following best describes a scenario where the Remainder Theorem is particularly useful?

Hint: Think about the applications of the theorem in polynomial division.

◯ A) When checking if a polynomial is divisible by a linear factor.
◯ B) When finding the exact quotient of a polynomial division.
◯ C) When simplifying a polynomial expression.
◯ D) When determining the degree of a polynomial.