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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is a polynomial?

Hint: Think about the definition involving terms and exponents.

- An expression with only one term
- An expression involving variables and coefficients with non-negative integer exponents
- An equation with an equal sign
- A number without variables

Which of the following are components of a polynomial?

Hint: Consider the parts that make up a polynomial expression.

- Coefficient
- Variable
- Exponent
- Fraction

Explain the difference between a monomial and a binomial.

Hint: Consider the number of terms in each expression.

List the types of polynomials based on the number of terms.

Hint: Think about the names given to polynomials with different numbers of terms.

1. What is a monomial?

2. What is a binomial?

3. What is a trinomial?

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

Hint: Look for the highest exponent in the polynomial.

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation

Which of the following statements about the degree of a polynomial is true?

Hint: Consider the definition of the degree of a polynomial.

- It is the sum of all exponents in the polynomial.
- It is the highest exponent of the variable in the polynomial.
- It is always an even number.
- It is the number of terms in the polynomial.

Describe how to convert a polynomial into its standard form.

Hint: Think about the order of terms based on their degrees.

What is the standard form of the polynomial $2x + 5x^3 - 4x^2$?

Hint: Rearrange the terms by their degrees.

- $5x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x$
- $2x - 4x^2 + 5x^3$
- $5x^3 + 2x - 4x^2$
- $2x + 5x^3 - 4x^2$

Part 3: Application and Analysis

Apply the distributive property to expand the expression $(x + 3)(x - 2)$.

Hint: Use the FOIL method for binomials.

Which of the following is the result of multiplying $(x + 1)(x - 1)$?

Hint: Consider the difference of squares.

- $x^2 + 1$
- $x^2 - 1$
- $x^2 - 2x + 1$
- $x^2 + 2x + 1$

If a polynomial $P(x) = x^2 - 5x + 6$, what are its roots?

Hint: Use the quadratic formula or factorization.

- 2 and 3
- 2 and -3
- 1 and 6
- 1 and -6

Analyze the polynomial $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$ and determine its roots using factorization.

Hint: Look for factors of the polynomial.

Which of the following expressions is a perfect square trinomial?

Hint: Consider the form of a perfect square trinomial.

- $x^2 + 4x + 4$
- $x^2 - 4x + 4$
- $x^2 + 2x + 1$
- $x^2 - 2x + 1$

Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

Evaluate the polynomial $P(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 5$ at $x = 2$.

Hint: Substitute $x = 2$ into the polynomial.

Create a polynomial of degree 3 with roots 1, -2, and 3. Write it in standard form.

Hint: Use the roots to form factors of the polynomial.

1. What is the polynomial in standard form?

Which of the following polynomials can be factored as $(x - 2)(x + 3)$?

Hint: Expand the factors to find the polynomial.

- $x^2 + x - 6$
- $x^2 - x - 6$
- $x^2 + 5x + 6$
- $x^2 - 5x + 6$