

1.11A Equivalent Representations and Binomial Theorem

AP Precalculus

1.11A Practice

The following are in factored form. Convert to standard form and answer the questions.

1. $f(x) = 2(x-4)^2$ $2(x-4)(x-4)$
 $2[x^2 - 4x - 4x + 16]$

a. Standard Form: $2x^2 - 16x + 32$

b. Degree: 2 

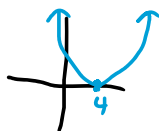
c. End Behavior:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$

d. Zero(s): $x = 4$

e. Where is $f(x) \geq 0$?

$(-\infty, \infty)$



f. y-intercept: 32

2. $h(x) = \frac{2(x+3)(x-3)}{(x+2)(x+3)}$ $\frac{2[x^2 + 3x - 3x - 9]}{x^2 + 3x + 2x + 6}$

a. General Form: $\frac{2x^2 - 18}{x^2 + 5x + 6}$

b. Domain: $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$

c. Zero(s): $x = 3$

d. Hole(s): $x = -3$

e. Vertical Asymptote(s): $x = -2$

f. Horizontal Asymptote: $y = 2$

g. y-intercept: $\frac{-18}{6} = -3$

The following are in standard form. Convert to factored form and answer the questions.

3. $g(x) = -3x^3 + 27x$
 $-3x(x^2 - 9)$

a. Factored Form: $-3x(x+3)(x-3)$

b. Degree: 3 

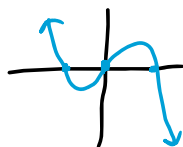
c. End Behavior:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$

d. Zero(s): $x = 0, -3, 3$

e. Where is $f(x) \geq 0$?

$(-\infty, -3) \cup (0, 3)$



f. y-intercept: 0

4. $h(t) = \frac{t^3 - 4t^2}{t^2 + 2t - 15}$ $\frac{t^2(t-4)}{(t+5)(t-3)}$

a. Factored Form: 

b. Domain: $(-\infty, -5) \cup (-5, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

c. Zero(s): $x = 0$ and 4

d. Hole(s): none

e. Vertical Asymptote(s): $x = -5$ and 3

f. Horizontal Asymptote: none

g. y-intercept: $\frac{0}{-15} = 0$

Use the binomial theorem to expand the following.

5. $(x + 2)^4$
 $1(x)^4 + 4(x)^3(2) + 6(x)^2(2)^2 + 4(x)(2)^3 + 1(2)^4$
 $x^4 + 8x^3 + 24x^2 + 32x + 16$

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1 1
1 2 1
1 3 3 1
→ 1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1

6. $(x - 3)^5$
 $1(x)^5 + 5(x)^4(-3) + 10(x)^3(-3)^2 + 10(x)^2(-3)^3 + 5(x)(-3)^4 + 1(-3)^5$
 $x^5 - 15x^4 + 90x^3 - 270x^2 + 405x - 243$

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1 6 15 20 15 6 1
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7. $(2x + 1)^3$
 $1(2x)^3 + 3(2x)^2(1) + 3(2x)(1)^2 + 1(1)^3$
 $8x^3 + 12x^2 + 6x + 1$

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1 1
1 2 1
→ 1 3 3 1
1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1

8. $(3x - 2)^4$
 $1(3x)^4 + 4(3x)^3(-2) + 6(3x)^2(-2)^2 + 4(3x)(-2)^3 + 1(-2)^4$
 $81x^4 - 216x^3 + 216x^2 - 96x + 16$

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1 1
1 2 1
1 3 3 1
→ 1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
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Find the given term in the binomial expansion.

9. $(x + 5)^5$
 Find the 3rd term.
 $10(x)^3(5)^2$
 $250x^3$

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1 1
1 2 1
1 3 3 1
→ 1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1

10. $(x - 2)^7$
 Find the 4th term.
 $35(x)^4(-2)^3$
 $-280x^4$

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1 1
1 2 1
1 3 3 1
1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
→ 1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1

11. $(3x - 1)^8$
 Find the 5th term.
 $70(3x)^4(-1)^4$
 $5670x^4$

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1 3 3 1
1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
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→ 1 8 28 56 70 56 28 8 1

12. $(2x + 3)^4$
 Find the last term.
 $1(2x)^0(3)^4$
 81

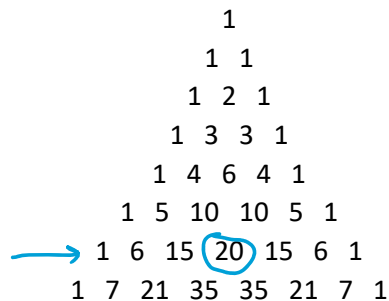
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→ 1 4 6 4 1
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1 6 15 20 15 6 1
1 7 21 35 35 21 7 1

Multiple Choice

13. What is the leading coefficient of the fourth term when $(x - 2)^6$ is expanded?

- (A) -160
- (B) -120
- (C) 120
- (D) 160

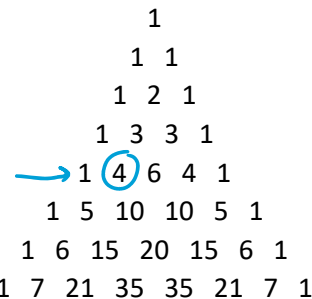
$20(x)^3(-2)^3$
 $20(x^3)(-8)$
 $-160x^3$



14. What is the second term when $(2a - b)^4$ is expanded?

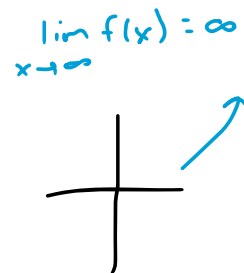
- (A) $-32a^3b$
- (B) $-4a^2b^2$
- (C) $-16ab^3$
- (D) $-ab^4$

$4(2a)^3(-b)^1$
 $4(8a^3)(-b)$
 $-32a^3b$



15. In the xy -plane, the graph of a function f has $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$. Which of the following could be an expression $f(x)$?

- (A) $\frac{(x+3)^3}{x(x^3+1)}$ nope horizontal asymptote $y=0$
- (B) $-2(x-1)^3(x+5)$ nope 4th degree, negative
- (C) $\frac{x(x+3)^3}{x(x^3+1)}$ nope horizontal asymptote $y=1$
- (D) $x(x+2)^3(x-1)$ YES! 5th degree, positive



As x approaches infinity the $f(x)$ approaches infinity

So, the graph of f must go up as x goes right!