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Module 11	Simplifying Algebraic Expressions	
	with Polynomials	
Lesson 3	Adding and Subtracting Polynomials	



Find each sum or difference either horizontally or vertically. Write answers in simplest form.

- **1.** (2y 4) + (6y 2)
 - 8y 6
- **3.** $(x^2 3x + 4) + (x^2 + 5x 3)$

 $2x^2 + 2x + 1$

- 5. $(2r^2 + 7r 3) (-5r^2 + 3r + 4)$ 7r² + 4r - 7
- 7. $(2k 1) (4k^2 + 3k 7)$ -4k² - k + 6
- **9.** $(8k^2 + 4k 9) + (5k^2 + 4k + 9)$
- **11.** $3r^2 5r + 19$

 $13k^2 + 8k$

- **2.** (5x + 3) (4x + 2)
 - x + 1
- **4.** $(x^5 6) (x^3 + 3)$ $x^5 - x^3 - 9$
- **6.** $(12b^2 + 7b + 6) + (9b^2 + 5b 2)$

 $21b^2 + 12b + 4$

8. $(9q^2 + 6q + 3) - (5q^2 - q + 5)$ **4q² + 7q - 2**

10. $(5c^2 - 9c + 7) - (-2c^2 + 3)$

- $7c^2 9c + 4$
- 12. $-10x^2 5x + 6$ - $(-5x^2 + 12x + 2)$ - $5x^2 - 17x + 4$
- 13. $(21q^2r + 15qr^2 6) + (13q^2r 3qr^2 + 5) \frac{34q^2r + 12qr^2 1}{14. (9c^2d^2 6cd^3 + 4cd) (-3c^2d^2 + 10cd^3 9cd) \frac{12c^2d^2 16cd^3 + 13cd}{15. (14x^2 9xy + 20y^2) + (12x^2 + 15xy 17y^2) \frac{26x^2 + 6xy + 3y^2}{16. (5y^2z^3 + 7y^3z + 8) (-2y^2z 6yz) \frac{5y^2z^3 + 7y^3z + 2y^2z + 6yz + 8}{17. (a^2b^2 + 7ab 9) (a^2b^2 7ab + 9) \frac{14ab 18}{14ab 18}$ 18. $(4m^2n - 3mn + 8) + (6m^2n + 14mn - 7) \frac{10m^2n + 11mn + 1}{22r^2 - \frac{23}{20}s^2 + \frac{1}{12}rs}$ 19. $(\frac{4}{5}r^2 - \frac{9}{10}s^2 - \frac{1}{4}rs) - (-\frac{2}{3}r^2 + \frac{1}{4}s^2 - \frac{1}{3}rs) \frac{22r^2 - \frac{23}{20}s^2 + \frac{1}{12}rs}{15r^2 - \frac{23}{20}s^2 + \frac{1}{12}rs}$ 20. $(-0.02a^2 - 4.3b^2 + 0.13ab) + (0.01a^2 + 5.2b^2 - 1.4ab) - 0.01a^2 + 0.9b^2 - 1.27ab$

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- **1.** Find two trinomials whose sum is zero and find two trinomials whose difference is zero. Compare and contrast the pairs of trinomials.
- **2.** Stephanie does not like to subtract. Explain to her how she can use addition to subtract polynomials.
- **3.** Add $(2x^2 + 5x + 6)$ and $(-3x^2 2x + 7)$ vertically and horizontally. Is the answer the same? Why?
- 4. Explain how to the check the answers when adding and subtracting polynomials.
- **5.** Explain the importance of using like terms when adding and subtracting polynomials.

Cumulative Review

Simplify.



Multiply or divide as indicated. Write answers in scientific notation.

7. $(4.3 \times 10^6)(5 \times 10^{-2})$ 2.15 × 10⁵	8. $(4.32 \times 10^{-2})(2.6 \times 10^{10})$ 1.1232 × 10⁹
9. $\frac{4.5 \times 10^2}{1.5 \times 10^{-5}}$ 3 × 10⁷	10. $\frac{2.5 \times 10^6}{5.0 \times 10^{-3}}$ 5 × 10⁸

Manipulatives

Manipulatives can be used to add and subtract polynomials.

Add:

 $(2x^2 - 3x + 4) + (3x^2 + 2x - 3).$

Begin by modeling each polynomial. Here, the shaded tiles represent negative values, and the unshaded tiles represent positive values.



Then, rearrange and count the tiles. Finish by canceling zero pairs.



 $(2x^2 - 3x + 4) + (3x^2 + 2x - 3) = 5x^2 - x + 1.$

Use manipulatives to find each sum or difference.

1. $(3x - 4) + (2x + 2)$	2. $(4x^2 - 8) + (2x^2 - 3x + 2)$
5x - 2	$6x^2-3x-6$
3. $(4x^2 + x - 3) - (2x^2 + 2x - 1)$	4. $(x^2 + 4x - 3) - (3x^2 - x + 2)$
$2x^2 - x - 2$	$-2x^2+5x-5$

Possible Journal Answers

- 1. The sum of $(2x^2 + 5x 3)$ and $(-2x^2 5x + 3)$ is zero. The difference of $(2x^2 5x 3)$ and $(2x^2 5x 3)$ is zero. The pair of trinomials whose sum is zero has terms that have opposite signs but are otherwise identical. The pair of trinomials whose difference is zero has identical terms.
- 2. Instead of subtracting, Stephanie can change the signs of the terms in the second polynomial and use the rules for addition.

3. $(2x^2 + 5x + 6) + (-3x^2 - 2x + 7) = 2x^2 - 3x^2 + 5x - 2x + 6 + 7 = -x^2 + 3x + 13$

$$2x^2 + 5x + 6 + -3x^2 - 2x + 7 -x^2 + 3x + 13$$

Yes, the answer is the same. When adding horizontally or vertically, the operation does not change, only the method. So, the answers are identical.

- 4. To check the answer to an addition problem, subtract one of the polynomials from the sum. The difference is the other polynomial. To check the answer to a subtraction problem, add the difference to the second polynomial. The answer is the first polynomial.
- 5. Only like terms may be added or subtracted. When there are no like terms in an expression, the polynomial is in simplest form.