Lesson #1: Factoring Expressions with Common Factors

Learning Goal: We are learning to Factor expressions that contain common factors.

Simplify each expression.

1)
$$(5r - 1 - 4r^4) + (1 - 7r^3 + 2r^4)$$

2)
$$2n^2(6n-8)$$

3)
$$\frac{6x^3y + 3x^2y^3}{3x^2y}$$

4)
$$5(2y^2 + 3y - 8) - 2y(3y - 4)$$

Notes on Common Factoring: Factoring is the ______ of expanding. Hence, when expanding, that work eliminates brackets. Factoring brings brackets back into the equation. Also, expanding uses multiplication, therefore factoring uses ______.

Factor the common factor out of each expression.

5)
$$8n^2 - 6$$

6)
$$20m^5 + 15$$

7)
$$2p^5 + 5p^4$$

8)
$$3x^6 + x^4$$

9)
$$-8uv^5 - 3u^2v - 2uv$$

10)
$$8x^4y^2 - 18x^3y + 18x^2y$$

11)
$$5x(x-3) + 8(x-3)$$

12)
$$3xy(y+2) - 17w^2(y+2)$$

Success Criteria:

- I can identify common factors
- I can factor expressions by dividing each term by the common factor
- I can write a factored expression as a monomial × a polynomial