

Chapter 5 Booklet

Polynomials



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MATH 9 – POLYNOMIALS REGULAR ASSESSMENT RECORD

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At the end of this unit you will be assessed on the following:

- ☐ 1. I can identify constant terms, coefficients, and variables in polynomial expressions.
- ☐ 2. I can define, in my own words, what a polynomial is.
- ☐ 3. I can recognize polynomials from a list of expressions.
- ☐ 4. I can identify a monomial, binomial, and trinomial.
- ☐ 5. I can identify the degree of a given polynomial.
- ☐ 6. I can evaluate polynomial expressions by substituting a variety of given values of the variable.
- ☐ 7. I can perform the operations of addition and subtraction on polynomial expressions
 - Concretely with Algebra Tiles
 - Pictorially with Algebra Tile diagrams
 - Symbolically with variables
- ☐ 8. I can identify the error(s) in a given simplification of a given polynomial expression.

5.1 The Language of Mathematics

Mathematics has its own vocabulary.

A study of algebra includes working with polynomials. They are named by the number of **terms (an expression formed from a single letter, number or letter and number)**.

Monomial – has only one term.

Example 1)

Binomial – has two terms.

Example 2)

Trinomial – has three terms.

Example 3)

Polynomial- more than three terms.

Example 4)

Try Question:

Expression	Number of Terms	Name
$4xy + 3$		
$7a^2 - 2ab + b^2$		
$5x + y + z - 6$		
1.3		

The **degree of a term** is the sum (+) of the exponents on the variables.

Example 5)

a) $3xz$ can be written as $3x^1z^1$ so the degree is $1 + 1 = 2$

b) $5x^3$ has a degree of 3

c) 7 could be written as $7x^0$ so the degree of this term is 0.

The **degree of a polynomial** is the degree of the highest-degree term in the polynomial.

Example 6)

- a) $4x^4 - 5x^2 + 6$
has a degree of 4.

Try Question:

What is the degree of each polynomial expression?

1) $5x^3 - 6x + 2$

2) $4x^2y^2 - 7xy$

3) 8

4) $6x + 7x^3 - 9$

Terms:

Coefficients – The numerical part of a term

Variables – The letter part of a term

Note: Variables are usually written in alphabetical order

<u>Term</u>	<u>Coefficient</u>	<u>Variable(s)</u>
$5x^2$	5	x
$\frac{3}{4}ab$	$\frac{3}{4}$	a & b
$-xyz$	-1	x, y, & z

Constant: A term with no variable

e.g. The polynomial $3x^2 - 5x - 7$ has a constant of -7

Leading Coefficient: The coefficient of the term with the highest degree

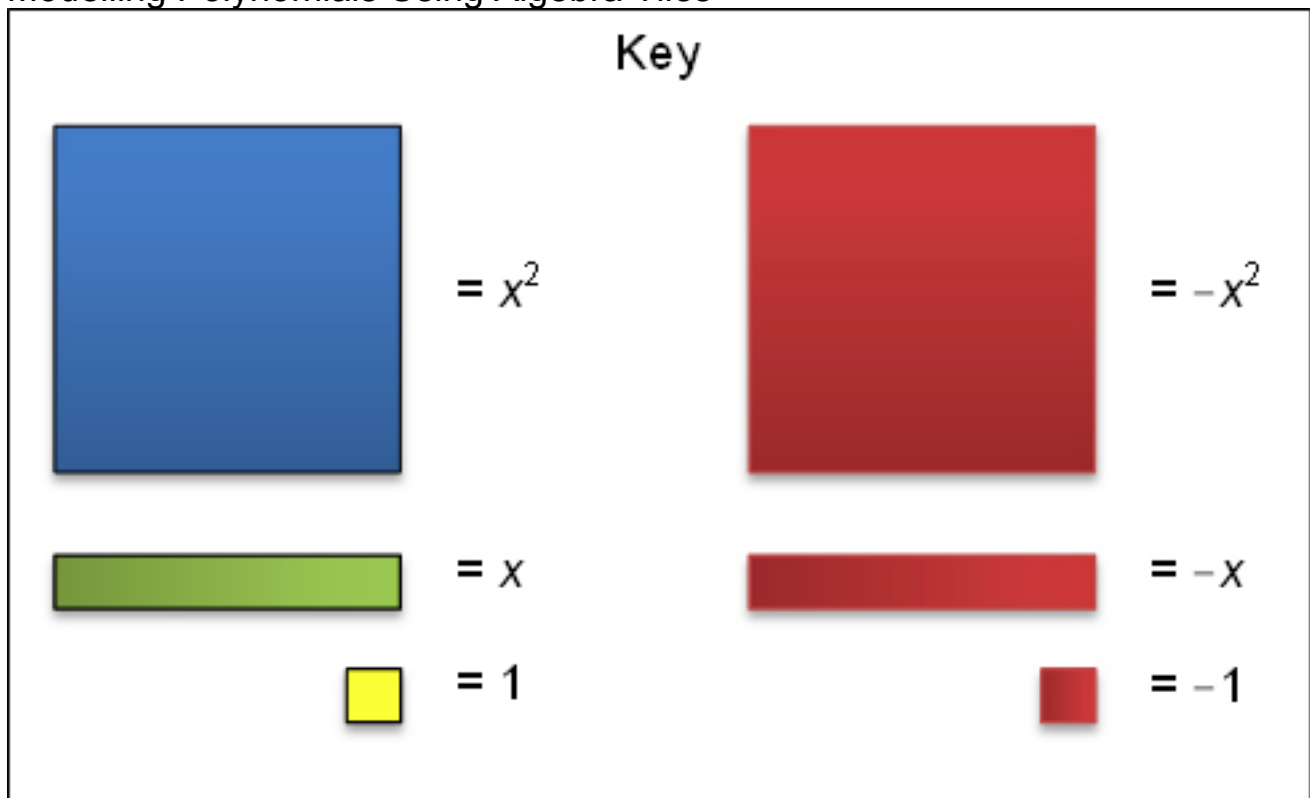
e.g. The polynomial $3x^2 - 5x - 7$ has a leading coefficient of 3

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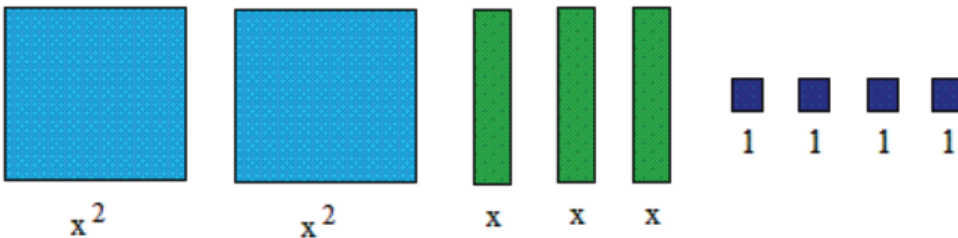
Give an example of a polynomial with the following characteristics

- a) A binomial with three variables and a degree of four
- b) A monomial with a fractional coefficient and a degree of two
- c) A trinomial with one variable, a degree of three, and a negative constant
- d) A binomial with a leading coefficient of - 1

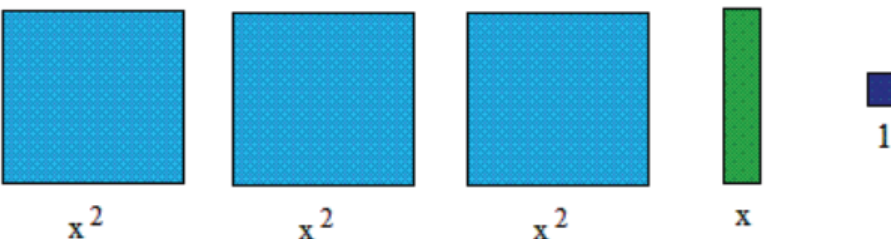
Modelling Polynomials Using Algebra Tiles



When we show Algebra tiles on paper:
we shade in the positive ones and leave the negative ones white.

$$2x^2 + 3x + 4 \rightarrow$$


The diagram shows algebra tiles for the polynomial $2x^2 + 3x + 4$. It consists of two large blue squares, each labeled x^2 below it. To the right of these are three green vertical rectangles, each labeled x below it. To the right of the green rectangles are four small dark blue squares, each labeled 1 below it.

$$3x^2 + x + 1 \rightarrow$$


The diagram shows algebra tiles for the polynomial $3x^2 + x + 1$. It consists of three large blue squares, each labeled x^2 below it. To the right of these is one green vertical rectangle labeled x below it. To the right of the green rectangle is one small dark blue square labeled 1 below it.



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

Key Ideas:

- 1) Algebra uses symbols to represent unknown numbers. These symbols are often letters called variables.
- 2) Polynomials are made up of terms. Terms are connected by addition or subtraction.
- 3) Polynomials can have one or more terms. They are named by the number of terms: monomial, binomial, trinomial.
- 4) Each term has a degree, found by adding the exponents on the variables.
- 5) A polynomial has the same degree as its highest-degree term.
- 6) You can use algebra tiles to model polynomials.

Practice Problems:

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5.2 Equivalent Expressions

Equivalent Expressions

Like Terms: Terms that differ only by their coefficients.
(They have the same variables with the same exponents)

e.g. $3x$ and $5x$ are like terms $\frac{1}{2}xy$ and $-xy$ are like terms
 $9x$ and $4x^2$ are not like terms $7x$ and $8y$ are not like terms
 $3xy^2$ and $5x^2y$ are not like terms

Example 1)

Which of the following is
a like term to $\frac{2xy}{3}$?

- a) $\frac{2x}{3}$
- b) $-5x^3y$
- c) $4xy^2$
- d) $-xyz$
- e) $-8xy$
- f) None of the above

Example 2)

Which of the following is
a like term to $7a^3b^2c$?

- a) $-3a^2b^3c$
- b) $7ab^3c^2$
- c) $-10abc$
- d) $9a^3bc^2$
- e) $3a^2bc^2$
- f) None of the above

Try Questions:

1)

Which of the following is
a like term to $\frac{2xy}{3}$?

- a) $\frac{2x}{3}$
- b) $-5x^3y$
- c) $4xy^2$
- d) $-xyz$
- e) $-8xy$
- f) None of the above

2)

Which of the following is
a like term to $-23x^2y^2$?

- a) $5xy^2$
- b) $-14xy$
- c) $23x^2y$
- d) $14x^2y^2$
- e) $6xy^3$
- f) None of the above

3)

Which of the following is a like term to $18xyz^4$?

- a) $9xy^4z$
- b) $-33xyz^4$
- c) $2xyz$
- d) $20x^4y^4z^4$
- e) $7x^4yz$
- f) None of the above

Combining Like Terms: Like terms are grouped together by adding the coefficients

e.g $4x^2 + 5x - 3 + 8 - x + 2x^2$ can be simplified to $6x^2 + 4x + 5$



Try Question: Model the expression. Then combine the like terms.

1) $5x - 3x^2 + 2x - x^2$

2) $2x - 6 - 2x + 1$

Key Ideas:

- 1) Like terms differ by only their numerical coefficient (same variables with exponents).
- 2) Like terms can be combined.
- 3) Like terms: $-7x$ and $3x$, w^2 and $0.5w^2$
- 4) Unlike terms: $6x$ and $3x^2$, m^2n and mn^2

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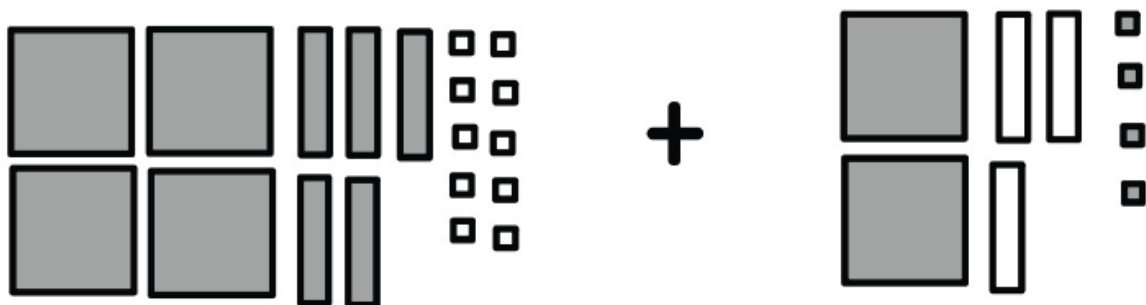
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5.3 Adding and Subtracting Polynomials

Adding Polynomials

Addition: Collect like terms and order in descending order

e.g. $(4x^2 + 5x - 10) + (2x^2 - 3x + 4)$



Example:

$$(2x^2 + x - 7) + (x^2 - 4x - 2)$$

Try questions:

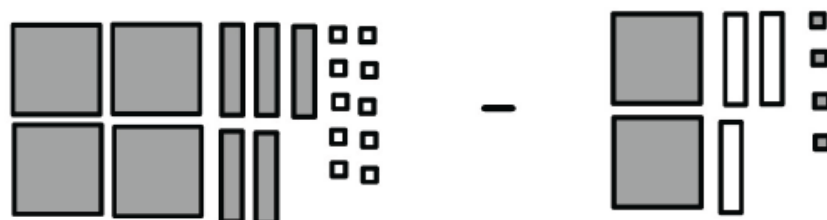
1) $(2a - 1) + (6 - 4a)$

2) $3t^2 - 5t + t^2 + 2t + 1$

Subtracting Polynomials

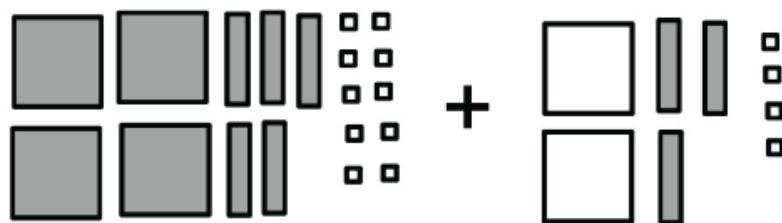
Subtraction: Add the opposite polynomial. Then collect like terms.

e.g. $(4x^2 + 5x - 10) - (2x^2 - 3x + 4)$



$(4x^2 + 5x - 10) + (-2x^2 + 3x - 4)$

↖ This is the opposite polynomial



Write the opposite polynomial

a) x

b) $5 - 3x$

c) $7x^2 + 5x - 1$

Example:

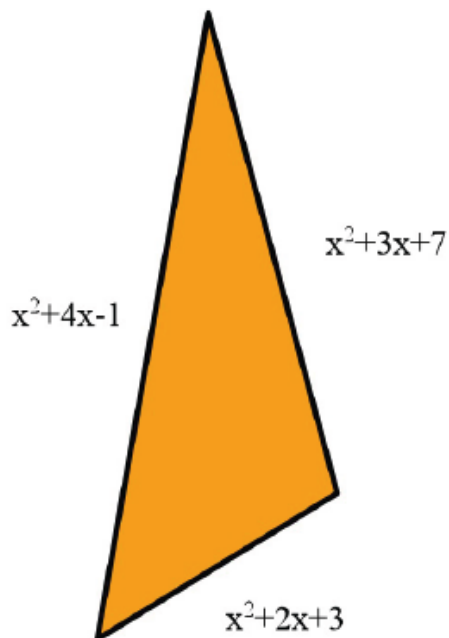
$$(2x^2 + x - 7) - (x^2 - 4x - 2)$$

Try Questions:

1) $(2x - 3) - (-x + 2)$

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

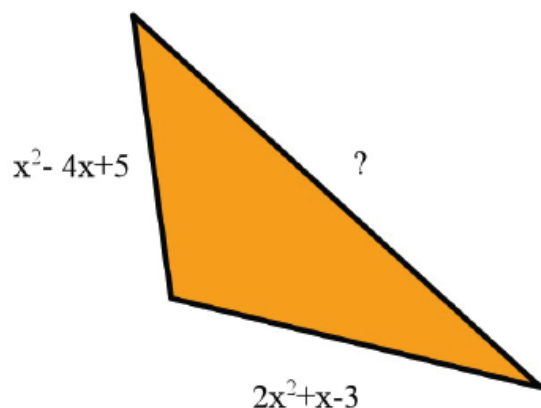
Example:



P=

Determine the perimeter if $x = 3$ cm

Example:



$$P = 5x^2 - 7x + 3$$

Determine the length of the missing side

Key Ideas:

- 1) You can add or subtract polynomials. You can use algebra tile models to help simplify the expression.
- 2) The opposite of a polynomial is found by taking the opposite of each of its terms.
- 3) To subtract a polynomial, you can add the opposite terms.

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