

- 1 Simplify:
- a $y^3 \times y^5$ b $3x^2 \times 2x^5$ c $(4x^2)^3 \div 2x^5$ d $4b^2 \times 3b^3 \times b^4$
- 2 Expand and simplify if possible:
- a $(x + 3)(x - 5)$ b $(2x - 7)(3x + 1)$ c $(2x + 5)(3x - y + 2)$
- 3 Expand and simplify if possible:
- a $x(x + 4)(x - 1)$ b $(x + 2)(x - 3)(x + 7)$ c $(2x + 3)(x - 2)(3x - 1)$
- 4 Expand the brackets:
- a $3(5y + 4)$ b $5x^2(3 - 5x + 2x^2)$ c $5x(2x + 3) - 2x(1 - 3x)$ d $3x^2(1 + 3x) - 2x(3x - 2)$
- 5 Factorise these expressions completely:
- a $3x^2 + 4x$ b $4y^2 + 10y$ c $x^2 + xy + xy^2$ d $8xy^2 + 10x^2y$
- 6 Factorise:
- a $x^2 + 3x + 2$ b $3x^2 + 6x$ c $x^2 - 2x - 35$ d $2x^2 - x - 3$
e $5x^2 - 13x - 6$ f $6 - 5x - x^2$
- 7 Factorise:
- a $2x^3 + 6x$ b $x^3 - 36x$ c $2x^3 + 7x^2 - 15x$
- 8 Simplify:
- a $9x^3 \div 3x^{-3}$ b $(4^{\frac{3}{2}})^{\frac{1}{3}}$ c $3x^{-2} \times 2x^4$ d $3x^{\frac{1}{3}} \div 6x^{\frac{2}{3}}$
- 9 Evaluate, without using your calculator:
- a $\left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ b $\left(\frac{225}{289}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$
- 10 Simplify, without using your calculator:
- a $\frac{3}{\sqrt{63}}$ b $\sqrt{20} + 2\sqrt{45} - \sqrt{80}$
- 11 a Find the value of $35x^2 + 2x - 48$ when $x = 25$.
b By factorising the expression, show that your answer to part a can be written as the product of two **prime** factors.
- 12 Expand and simplify if possible, without using your calculator:
- a $\sqrt{2}(3 + \sqrt{5})$ b $(2 - \sqrt{5})(5 + \sqrt{3})$ c $(6 - \sqrt{2})(4 - \sqrt{7})$

13 Rationalise the denominator and simplify:

a $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ b $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1}$ c $\frac{3}{\sqrt{3}-2}$ d $\frac{\sqrt{23}-\sqrt{37}}{\sqrt{23}+\sqrt{37}}$ e $\frac{1}{(2+\sqrt{3})^2}$ f $\frac{1}{(4-\sqrt{7})^2}$

14 Do not use your calculator for this question.

a Given that $x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15 = (x + 3)(x^2 + bx + c)$, where b and c are constants, work out the values of b and c .

b Hence, fully factorise $x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15$.

(E) 15 Given that $y = \frac{1}{64}x^3$, express each of the following in the form kx^n , where k and n are constants.

a $y^{\frac{1}{3}}$ (1 mark)

b $4y^{-1}$ (1 mark)

(E/P) 16 Show that $\frac{5}{\sqrt{75}-\sqrt{50}}$ can be written in the form $\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$, where a and b are integers. (5 marks)

(E) 17 Expand and simplify $(\sqrt{11}-5)(5-\sqrt{11})$, without using your calculator. (2 marks)

(E) 18 Factorise completely $x - 64x^3$. (3 marks)

(E/P) 19 Express 27^{2x+1} in the form 3^y , stating y in terms of x . (2 marks)

(E/P) 20 Solve the equation $8 + x\sqrt{12} = \frac{8x}{\sqrt{3}}$.
Give your answer in the form $a\sqrt{b}$, where a and b are integers. (4 marks)

(P) 21 Do not use your calculator for this question.

A rectangle has a length of $(1 + \sqrt{3})$ cm and area of $\sqrt{12}$ cm².

Calculate the width of the rectangle in cm.

Express your answer in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$, where a and b are integers to be found.

(E) 22 Show that $\frac{(2-\sqrt{x})^2}{\sqrt{x}}$ can be written as $4x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 4 + x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. (2 marks)

(E/P) 23 Given that $243\sqrt{3} = 3^a$, find the value of a . (3 marks)

(E/P) 24 Given that $\frac{4x^3 + x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\sqrt{x}}$ can be written in the form $4x^a + x^b$,
write down the value of a and the value of b . (2 marks)

Challenge

a Simplify $(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})$.

b Hence show that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{24} + \sqrt{25}} = 4$