#### [PACKET 11.2: OPERATIONS WITH RADICALS]

# Adding and Subtracting Radicals

You can only add and subtract like-radicals. In other words, they must be exactly the same underneath the radical. Then, just combine like-terms!

**Examples** Simplify the following expressions by adding or subtracting.

1. 
$$3\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{7}$$

2. 
$$\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{48}$$

3. 
$$4\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$4. \qquad \sqrt{90} - \sqrt{40}$$

## Multiplying and Dividing Radicals

Product Property of Radicals:  $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$ 

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**Examples:** Simplify the following radical expressions using the Product Property.

$$5. \quad 2\sqrt{2} \cdot -4\sqrt{6}$$

6. 
$$4\sqrt{7}(3\sqrt{2}-2)$$

**Quotient Property of Radicals:** 

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}}$$

**Examples:** Simplify the following perfect squares using the Quotient Property.

$$7.$$
  $\sqrt{\frac{16}{49}}$ 

$$8.\sqrt{\frac{121}{25}}$$

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# **Rationalizing the Denominator**

It is not appropriate to leave a radical in the denominator of a fraction. Multiply by a form of 1 to get it out:

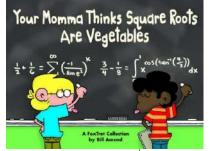
**Examples** Simplify the following expressions by rationalizing the denominator:

$$q. \qquad \frac{3}{\sqrt{11}}$$

$$10. \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}$$

II. 
$$\sqrt{\frac{8}{5}}$$

$$12. \qquad \sqrt{\frac{12}{6}}$$



**Examples**: Simplify the following radical expressions.

13. 
$$3\sqrt{7} - 2\sqrt{28} + \sqrt{63}$$

14. 
$$(3\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{2})^2$$

15. 
$$2\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{12} - \sqrt{27}$$

16. 
$$(4\sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{2})^2$$

Now, summarize your notes here!

## Practice 11.2

Simplify by adding and subtracting.

1) 
$$-\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2}$$

2) 
$$-2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3}$$

3) 
$$3\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3}$$

4) 
$$2\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{2}$$

5) 
$$2\sqrt{54} - \sqrt{6}$$

6) 
$$3\sqrt{20} + 3\sqrt{20}$$

Simplify by multiplying.

7) 
$$\sqrt{15} \cdot \sqrt{5}$$

8) 
$$\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{10}$$

9) 
$$5\sqrt{2} \cdot 5\sqrt{5}$$

10) 
$$4\sqrt{10} \cdot -3\sqrt{15}$$

11) 
$$\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}+5)$$

12) 
$$5\sqrt{5}(2-5\sqrt{6})$$

Simplify by multiplying. (Hint: DOUBLE DISTRIBUTE!)

13) 
$$(5-4\sqrt{5})(5+3\sqrt{5})$$

14) 
$$(-5\sqrt{5}+4)(-2\sqrt{5}-4)$$

Simplify.

$$15) \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}$$

16) 
$$\frac{4}{\sqrt{2}}$$

17) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{6}{3}}$$

18) 
$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{5\sqrt{75}}$$

Quick Review: Solve the quadratic equations using the given method.

1. Solve by factoring:

$$3x^2 + 4x - 4 = 0$$

2. Solve by double factoring:

$$2x^2 - 4 = -2$$

Solve by factoring:

$$2x^2 + 3 = 7x$$

# **Application and Extension**

1. Simplify:  $\frac{12}{\sqrt{5}}$ 

2. Simplify:  $4\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{27} - \sqrt{12}$ 

For Number 3, you will have to graph several graphs on the same coordinate plane. Please graph extra neat and be precise!

- 3. a. b. Graph  $y = \sqrt{x}$  and  $y = -\sqrt{x}$  on the same graph by filling in Tables A and B and plotting the points. (Hint: Use different colors for each graph.)
  - c. Graph  $y = x^2$  by filling in Table C and plotting the points.
  - d. Graph the line y = x on the same graph. (Use a dotted line.)

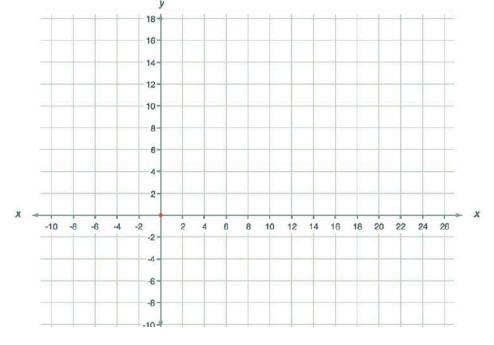


Table A		
Χ	$\sqrt{x}$	
0		
1		
4		
9		
16		
25		

Table B		
Х	$-\sqrt{x}$	
0		
1		
4		
9		
16		
25		

Table C

X	$\chi^2$
-4	
-2	
0	
1	
3	
4	

e. Now, find the solutions to the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} y = \sqrt{x} \\ y = x^2 \\ y = x \end{cases}$$