

Algebraic Expressions

QUESTIONS

1. If $x + y = 7$; $y + z = 8$; $z + x = 9$, what is the value of $x + y + z$?
 (a) 12 (b) 9 (c) 7 (d) 16

2. What row is matched correctly?

Row	Expression	Term with factor x	Coefficient of x
A	$2x - 4y$	$2x$	-4
B	$x - 3 + y$	x	0
C	$y^2q + 2x$	$2x$	x
D	$2z + 2zx$	$2zx$	$2z$

- (a) Row A (b) Row B (c) Row C (d) Row D

3. Which row is matched incorrectly?

Row	Expression	Coefficient of m^2	Coefficient of mn	Coefficient of n^2
A	$m^2 - 5mn + 3m + n^2$	1	-5	1
B	$n^2 + 5mn - 6m + 2m$	0	5	1
C	$m^2 + 45mn - 17m + 2$	1	45	0
D	$2n^2 - 23mn + 7$	2	-23	1

- (a) Row A (b) Row B (c) Row C (d) Row D

4. Which of the following statements is incorrect?

- (a) The terms $4x^2y$ and $3xy^2$ are like terms.
 (b) The coefficient of y^2 in the expression $-2x^2 + 8xy^2 + 39$ is $8x$.
 (c) 3, x , x^2 and y are factors of $3x^2y$.
 (d) The expression $15p^2q + 8pq^2 + 42pq + 99$ contains 4 terms.

5. What is the difference between $a + b$ and $a - b$

- (a) $2b$ (b) $2a$ (c) $2a + 2b$ (d) $2a - 2b$

6. The length and breadth of a rectangular plot are 1 and b . Two rectangular paths each of width ' r ' run inside the plot one parallel to the length and the other parallel to the breadth. What is the total area of the paths?

- (a) $(1+r)(b+r) - 1b$ (b) $1b - (1-r)(b-r)$
 (c) $(1+b-r)r$ (d) $1b - (1-2r)(b-2r)$

7. In a two digit number, the units digit is n and tens digit is $(n-1)$. What is the value of the number? (Where $n \leq 9$).

- (a) $kn - 1$ (b) $2n + 3$ (c) $3 + n$ (d) $11n - 10$

8. P_1 and P_2 are polynomials and each is the additive inverse of the other, what does it mean?

- (a) $P_1 = P_2$ (b) $P_1 + P_2$ is a zero polynomial
 (c) $P_1 - P_2$ is a zero polynomial. (d) $P_1 - P_2 = P_2 - P_1$

9. Four pairs of terms are given as:

- (i) $16a$ and $16b$ (ii) $12ab$ and $13ab$
 (iii) $-8xy$ and $10yx$ (iv) $8ab$ and $8ac$

Which two given pairs are pairs of like terms?

- (a) (i) and (iv) (b) (i) and (iii) (c) (ii) and (iii) (d) (ii) and (iv)

10. Four pairs of terms are given as:

- (i) a^2 and $3ab$ (ii) $3yz$ and $6zy$
 (iii) b^2 and $-11b^2$ (iv) a^2b and $3ab^2$

Which two given pairs are pairs of unlike terms?

- (a) (ii) and (iii) (b) (ii) and (iv) (c) (i) and (iii) (d) (i) and (iv)

11. Which algebraic expression correctly represents the statement twice the number $-Z$ subtracted from one $-$ half the product of x and y ?

- (a) $\frac{xy}{2} = 2-Z$ (b) $\frac{xy}{2} - 2-Z$ (c) $2xy - \frac{Z}{2}$ (d) $\frac{Z}{2} - 2xy$

12. Which algebraic expression correctly represents the statement: the square of the product of numbers x and y subtracted from the square of their sum?

- (a) $x^2 + y^2 - x^2y^2$ (b) $x^2y^2 - (x^2 + y^2)$ (c) $(x + y)^2 - x^2y^2$ (d) $x^2y^2 - (x + y)^2$

13. If $\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) = 7$, then the value $a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2}$ is:

- (a) 50 (b) 51 (c) 49 (d) 47

14. The zero of the polynomial $\frac{4}{7}b - \frac{7}{15}$ is.....

- (a) $\frac{49}{60}$ (b) $\frac{100}{71}$ (c) 70 (d) None of these

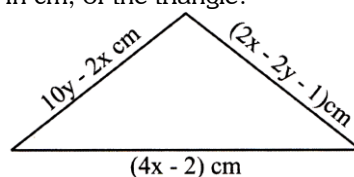
15. The product of $1 \times (x - y)(x + y)(x^2 + y^2)$ is

- (a) $x^2 - y^2$ (b) $x^4 + y^4$ (c) $x^4 - y^4$ (d) $x^2 + y^2$

16. If $m = \frac{ab}{a-b}$, then b equals.....

- (a) $\frac{m(a-b)}{a}$ (b) $\frac{ab-ma}{m}$ (c) $\frac{1}{1+1}$ (d) $\frac{ma}{m+a}$

17. In the figure given, what is the perimeter, in cm, of the triangle?



- (a) $(8y + 4x - 3)cm$ (b) $(8y - 4x + 3)cm$
 (c) $(14y - 2x - 3)cm$ (d) $(12xy - 3)cm$

18. If $K = \frac{x-m}{x-n}$, find the value of x .

- (a) $\frac{nK-m}{K-1}$ (b) $\frac{K-m}{K-n}$ (c) $\frac{K+m}{K+n}$ (d) $\frac{1+K}{m+nK}$

19. Match the following.

	Column-A		Column-B
(i)	$4m^2p, 4mp^2$	(a)	Binomial
(ii)	$3x-2$	(b)	Unlike terms
(iii)	$-7z, \frac{15}{2}z$	(c)	Trinomial
(iv)	$1+y+y^2$	(d)	Like terms

- (a) (i) - (a), (ii) - (b), (iii) - (c), (iv) - (d)
 (b) (i) - (b), (ii) - (a), (iii) - (d), (iv) - (c)
 (c) (i) - (d), (ii) - (c), (iii) - (b), (iv) - (a)
 (d) (i) - (b), (ii) - (c), (iii) - (a), (iv) - (d)

20. Match the following.

	Column-A		Column-B
(i)	$a^3 - b^3$ when $a=3$ and $b=2$	(a)	0
(ii)	$z^3 - 13(z+10)$ when $z = -10$	(b)	-22
(iii)	$x^2 + 2x + 1$ when $x = -1$	(c)	-1000
(iv)	$5p - 12$ when $p = -2$	(d)	19

- (a) (i) - (d), (ii) - (a), (iii) - (b), (iv) - (c)
 (b) (i) - (d), (ii) - (c), (iii) - (b), (iv) - (a)
 (c) (i) - (a), (ii) - (b), (iii) - (c), (iv) - (d)
 (d) (i) - (d), (ii) - (c), (iii) - (a), (iv) - (b)

21. By how much is $(x^2 - y^2)^2$ less than $x^4 + 8x^2y^2 + y^4$?

- (a) $-12x^2y^2$ (b) $10x^2y^2$ (c) $-12xy$ (d) $10xy$

22. What is the sum of $\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{b^3}{3} - \frac{c^3}{4}$; $\frac{2a^2}{3} - \frac{3b^3}{4} - \frac{4c^3}{5}$ and $a^2 + b^3 + c^3$?

- (a) $\frac{13}{6}a - \frac{1}{12}b^3 - \frac{1}{20}c^3$ (b) $\frac{13}{6}a - \frac{21}{20}b^3 + \frac{25}{12}c^3$
 (c) $\frac{13}{6}a^2 + \frac{5}{12}b^3 - \frac{1}{20}c^3$ (d) $\frac{23}{6}b^2 + \frac{25}{12}a^3 - \frac{1}{20}c^3$

- 23.** Simplify the following expression $x(y-z) + y(z-x) + z(x-y)$
 (a) 0 (b) $2y(z-x)$ (c) $2x(z-y)$ (d) $2z(x-y)$
- 24.** What is the 6^{th} term of a pattern described by the expression $n^2 - 1$?
 (a) 33 (b) 35 (c) 37 (d) 6
- 25.** What is the expression related to the pattern 7, 11, 15,?
 (a) $2n-1$ (b) $4n+3$ (c) $4n+1$ (d) n^2-1
- 26.** Which expression gives the predecessor of a natural number 'n'?
 (a) $2n-1$ (b) $n+1$ (c) $n-1$ (d) $2n+1$
- 27.** For any natural number n , what does $2n+1$ denote?
 (a) An even number (b) An odd number
 (c) A composite number (d) A prime number
- 28.** What do we call the algebraic terms with same literal coefficients?
 (a) Equivalent (b) Unlike terms (c) Constants (d) Like terms
- 29.** If $a + \frac{1}{a} = 6$, then the value of $\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)$ is
 (a) $\sqrt{32}$ (b) $\sqrt{49}$ (c) $\sqrt{140}$ (d) None of these
- 30.** What is the value of $ax^2 + bx + c$ at $x = \frac{+b}{a}$?
 (a) a (b) $b^2 - 4ac$ (c) $c + \frac{2b^2}{a}$ (d) $25x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2}$
- 31.** If $5x - \frac{1}{2x} = 6$, then the value of $25x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2}$ is:
 (a) 31 (b) 37 (c) 39 (d) 41
- 32.** On simplification the product $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)$ is
 (a) $x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}$ (b) $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ (c) $x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4}$ (d) $x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}$
- 33.** The real factors of $x^4 + 9$ are
 (a) $(x^2 + 3)(x^2 + 3)$ (b) $(x^2 + 3)(x^2 - 3)$
 (c) $(x^2 + 2x + 3)(x^2 - 3x + 3)$ (d) Does not exist
- 34.** The value of which of the following expressions is 66 for $a = -2$ and $b = 5$?
 (a) $a^2 + 3ab - b^2$ (b) $6a^2 - 5ab$ (c) $-3a^2 - ab + 6b^2$ (d) $-a^2 - 2ab + 2b^2$
- 35.** If $p + \frac{9}{5}(30 - p) = 10$ then find 'p':
 (a) -50 (b) 55 (c) -50 (d) +50

- 36.** Express in the simplest form $\left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)^2 + 4t = \left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)^2$
- (a) $2t^2 + \frac{2}{t^2} + 4t = 0$ (b) 4 (c) $4t + 4 = 0$ (d) $2t + 2 = 0$
- 37.** Simplify $\frac{4}{11}(132x + 88) + \frac{3}{11}(66x - 66)$
- (a) $66x + 14$ (b) $66x - 14$ (c) $66x - 14x$ (d) $66 + 14x$
- 38.** 'S' packets of 12 sweets each are divided equally among 10 children. How many sweets does each child get?
- (a) 6S (b) $3S - 5$ (c) 6S (d) $6S - 10$
- 39.** The angles of a quadrilateral are $(p + 25)^\circ$, $2p^\circ$, $(2p - 15)^\circ$ and $(p + 20)^\circ$. What is the value of the largest angle?
- (a) 105° (b) 110° (c) 115° (d) 135°
- 40.** The value of the expression $(2x^2 + 2xy - y - 1)$ is 1 at $x = 0$. What is the value of y?
- (a) -2 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

ANSWER – KEYS

1. A	2. D	3. D	4. A	5. A
6. C	7. D	8. B	9. C	10. D
11. B	12. C	13. B	14. A	15. C
16. D	17. A	18. A	19. B	20. D
21. B	22. C	23. A	24. B	25. B
26. C	27. B	28. D	29. A	30. C
31. D	32. C	33. D	34. D	35. B
36. C	37. A	38. C	39. B	40. A

SOLUTIONS

1. (a)

$$x + y = 7$$

$$+y + z = 8$$

$$\underline{z + x = 9}$$

$$2(x + y + z) = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + z = 12$$

2. (d) Term containing 'x' is $(2z x)$ and also coefficient of 'x' in this term is $2z$.

3. (d) Since in (d), term containing n^2 is $2n^2$

$\therefore$ Coefficient of n^2 is 2.

4. (a) Two terms are called like terms only when their variable part is the same.

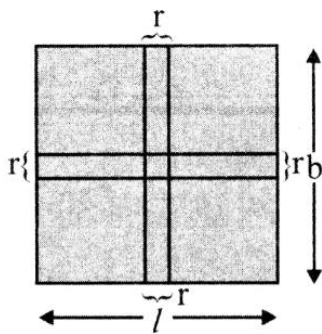
In $4x^2y$, variable is x^2y whereas in $3xy^2$, variable is xy^2 .

5. (a) $(a + b) + (a - b) = a + b - a + b = b + b = 2b$

It is a good idea to memorize

$(a + b) + (a - b) = 2a$ and $(a + b) - (a - b) = 2b$ This will be helpful to expedite your calculations now and also in higher classes.

6. (c)



Area of the path along length $= l \times r$

Area of the path along breadth $= b \times r$

The common area of the paths $= r^2$

$\therefore$ Total area of the path

$$= lr + br - r^2 = (l + b - r)r$$

7. (d) Value of number $= 10 \times (n - 1)$ tens place + unit place $n = 10n - 10 + n = 11n - 10$

8. (b) Not Available

9. (c) Not Available

10. (d) Not Available

11. (b) One half of product of x and $y = xy / 2$

Twice of $Z = 2Z$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{xy}{2} - 2Z \right)$$

12. (c) Square of sum $= (x + y)^2$

Square of product $= (xy)^2 = x^2y^2$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y)^2 - x^2y^2$$

13. (b) $\left(a - \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = a^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 49$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 49 + 2 = 51$$

14. (a) $\frac{4}{7}b - \frac{7}{15} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{4}{7}b = \frac{7}{15} \Rightarrow b = \frac{7}{15} \times \frac{7}{4} = \frac{49}{60}$

15. (c) $(x - y)(x + y) = x^2 - y^2$

$$\therefore (x - y)(x + y)(x^2 + y^2) = (x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$= x^4 - y^4$$

16. (d) $m = \frac{ab}{a - b}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{m} = \frac{a - b}{ab} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{b} = \frac{a + m}{ma} \Rightarrow b = \frac{ma}{m + a}$$

17. (a) Perimeter = sum of sides

$$= 2x - 2y - 1$$

$$4x + 0y - 2$$

$$\frac{-2x + 10y + 0}{4x + 8y - 3}$$

$$4x + 8y - 3$$

18. (a) $K = \frac{x - m}{x - n}$

$$\Rightarrow K(x - n) = x - m$$

$$\Rightarrow Kx - nK = x - m$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{nK - m}{K - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (k - 1)x$$

$$= nK - m$$

19. (b) Not Available

20. (d) Substitute the given values in the expressions and evaluate.

$$a^3 - b^3 = 3^3 - 2^3 = 27 - 8 = 19$$

$$z^3 - 13(z + 10) = (-10)^3 - 3(-10 + 10) = -1000$$

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

$$= 1 - 2 + 1 - 0$$

$$5x - 2 - 12$$

$$= -10 - 12 = -22$$

21. (b) One can also do it in the following conventional way:

$$x^4 + 8x^2y^2 + y^4$$

$$x^4 - 2x^2y^2 + y^4$$

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$$\boxed{10x^2y^2} \therefore \text{less by } 10x^2y^2$$

Mathematical Ingenuity tips

However, if we do it by first bringing $(x^2 - y^2)^2$ in the form of $x^4 + 8x^2y^2 + y^4$ and then, mentally think as to what extra term is getting added or subtracted, it will help solve us many more problems of similar nature.

22. (c) $\left(\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{b^3}{3} - \frac{c^3}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{2a^2}{3} - \frac{3b^3}{4} - \frac{4c^3}{5}\right) + (a^2 + b^3 + c^3)$

$$= a^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} + 1\right) + b^3 \left(-\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{4} + 1\right) + c^3 \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{4}{5} + 1\right) = \frac{13}{6}a^2 - \frac{b^3}{12} - \frac{c^3}{20}$$

23. (a) $x(y - z) + y(z - x) + z(x - y) = 0$

24. (b) First term means $n = 1$

second term means $n = 2$

and so on.

substitute $n = 6$ in $n^2 - 1$ and simplify.

$$n^2 - 1 = (6)^2 - 1 = 36 - 1 = 35$$

25. (b) These problems are solved by observations.

$$T_1 = 7, T_2 = 11, T_3 = 15 \Rightarrow \text{Regular difference of 4.}$$

For $n = 1$: $T_1 = 4 \times 1 + 3 = 7, T_2 = 4 \times 2 + 3 = 11$ and so on.

26. (c) Not Available

27. (b) $2n + 1$ denotes an odd number. Since it leaves a remainder 1 when divided by 2.

28. (d) Not Available

29. (a) $6 = a + \frac{1}{a} = (\sqrt{a})^2 - 2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}\right)^2 + 2$

$$= \left(\sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}\right)^2 + 2$$

$$\therefore \left(\sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}\right)^2 = 4$$

$$\text{Now } \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) = (\sqrt{a})^2 + 2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}\right)^2$$

$$30. \quad (c) \quad x = \frac{b}{a} \Rightarrow a\left(\frac{b^2}{a^2}\right) + b\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + c$$

$$= \frac{b^2}{a} + \frac{b^2}{a} + c = c + \frac{2b^2}{a}$$

$$31. \quad (d) \quad 36 = \left(5x - \frac{1}{2x}\right)^2 = 25x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2} - 2.5x \cdot \frac{1}{2x}$$

$$= \left(25x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2}\right) - 5$$

$$\therefore \left(25x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2}\right) = 36 + 5 = 41$$

$$32. \quad (c) \quad \text{Product} = \left[x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right] \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)$$

$$= \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)$$

$$= x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$33. \quad (d) \quad x^4 \text{ is always positive for all values of } x.$$

$$\therefore x^4 + 9 \text{ is also always positive and never zero.}$$

$$34. \quad (d) \quad -a^2 - 2ab + 2b^2 = -(-2)^2 - 2(-2)(5) + 2(5^2) = -4 + 20 + 50 = 66$$

$$35. \quad (b) \quad - + 54 - \frac{9p}{5} = 10 \Rightarrow \frac{-4p}{5} = 10 - 54$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-4p}{5} = -44 \Rightarrow p = +44 \times \frac{5}{4} = +55$$

$$36. \quad (c) \quad \left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)^2 - \left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)^2 = 4 \text{ (we have done such expansions earlier and this result may be committed to memory)}$$

$$\therefore \left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)^2 - \left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)^2 + 4t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + 4t = 0$$

$$37. \quad (a) \quad \text{Not Available}$$

$$38. \quad (c) \quad \text{Total number of sweets} = 125; \text{ Number of sweets each child gets}$$

$$= \frac{12S}{10} = \frac{6S}{5}$$

$$39. \quad (b) \quad \text{Sum of angles in a quadrilateral is } 360^\circ.$$

$$\Rightarrow 6p + 30^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{330^\circ}{6} = 55^\circ$$

Angle are $\therefore$

$$(p + 25)^\circ = 80^\circ, 2p^\circ = 110^\circ, 2p - 15 = 95^\circ$$

$$(p + 20)^\circ = 55^\circ, 20^\circ = 75^\circ$$

$\therefore$ The biggest angle is 110°

40. (a) At $x = 0 : (0 + 0 - y - 1) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow -2 = y$$