

# 10.2 Multiplying Polynomials

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## 4 Methods Distributive Method

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

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

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

$$\underline{x^2} - \underline{3x} + \underline{2x} - \underline{6}$$

$$\underline{\underline{x^2 - x - 6}}$$

We are going to take each term of the 1st Poly. & Dist. or Multiply it by the entire 2nd polynomial

So... This is Really Like Distributing Twice

# FOIL Method (binomials only)

First  
Outer  
Inner  
Last

$$(3x+4)(x+5)$$
$$3x(x) + 3x(5) + 4(x) + 4(5)$$
$$3x^2 + \underline{15x} + \underline{4x} + 20$$
$$\underline{\underline{3x^2 + 19x + 20}}$$

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

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

$$2x^2 + \underline{4x} - \underline{3x} - 6$$

$$\underline{\underline{2x^2 + 1x - 6}}$$

# Multiply Vertically

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

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

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$$x - 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +2x^2 - 6x - 10 \\ + -x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\underline{-x^3 + 5x^2 - x - 10}}$$

# Multiply Poly. w/ 3 or More Terms

- \* Largest Poly. Goes on top.
- \*\* S.F.

$$\begin{array}{r} 123 \\ \otimes \overline{) 23} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 369 \\ +2460 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$2829$$



# Multiply Horizontally

This is just like  
the D.P.M.  
But w/ Larger  
then Binomials

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

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

$$\underline{8x^3} - \underline{20x^2} - \underline{6x^2} + \underline{15x} - \underline{2x} + \underline{5}$$

$$\underline{\underline{8x^3 - 26x^2 + 13x + 5}}$$

For All Binomials...  
Use FOIL ONLY!

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① pg 578: 21-25(o);

28-34(e); 37, 39,

41-47(a); 48, 50, 52, 54