

Problems for Gateway #1: Expanding Expressions

1. If the expression $-3 \cdot (t + 2) + t \cdot (t + 1)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $t^2 - 2t - 6$ (b) $t^2 + 2t - 6$
(c) $t - 6$ (d) $t^2 - 3t + 3$
(e) $-2t + 1$
2. If the expression $x \cdot (x + 2) + x$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $x^2 + x + 2$ (b) $3x + 2$
(c) $x^2 + 3x$ (d) $x^2 + 2x$
(e) $2x^2 + x$
3. If the expression $a^2 \cdot (4 + a)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $4a + a^3$ (b) $16 + a^2$
(c) $16a + 8a^2 + a^3$ (d) $4a^2 + a^3$
(e) $4a^2 + a$
4. If the expression $(u + 3) \cdot (u + 1)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $u^2 + 3u + 1$ (b) $u^2 + 3$
(c) $u^2 + 4$ (d) $2u + 4$
(e) $u^2 + 4u + 3$
5. If the expression $3 \cdot (r + 1) + r^2$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $r^2 + 3r + 3$ (b) $3r + 1 + r^2$
(c) $3r + 1$ (d) $3r + 3$
(e) $3r^2 + 3r + 3$

6. If the expression $(h + 1) \cdot (h + 2)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $h^2 + 2$ (b) $h^2 + 3h + 2$
(c) $h^2 + 2h + 3$ (d) $h + 3$
(e) $h^3 + 3h^2 + 2h$
7. If the expression $(w + 2) \cdot (w - 2)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $w^2 + 4$ (b) $w^2 - 4$
(c) $w^2 + 2w + 4$ (d) $w^2 - 2w - 4$
(e) $w^2 - 2w + 4$
8. If the expression $(p + 3) \cdot (p - 2)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $p^2 - 1$ (b) $p^2 - 6$
(c) $p^2 + p - 6$ (d) $p^2 - p + 6$
(e) $p^2 + 3p - 2$
9. If the expression $(w + 1) \cdot (w - 3)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $w^2 + 2w - 3$ (b) $w^2 + w - 3$
(c) $w^2 - 3$ (d) $w^2 + 3w - 1$
(e) $w^2 - 2w - 3$
10. If the expression $x^2 \cdot (x + 2)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $x^3 + 2$ (b) $x + 2x^2$
(c) $x^2 + 2$ (d) $x^3 + 2x^2$
(e) $x^3 + 2x$

11. If the expression $r \cdot (r + 1)^2$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $r^3 + 2r^2 + r$ (b) $r^2 + 2r + 1$
(c) $r^3 + r$ (d) $r^3 + r^2 + r$
(e) $r^2 + 1$
12. If the expression $u \cdot (u - 2)$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $u^2 - 2$ (b) $u - 2u$
(c) $-u$ (d) $u^2 - 2u$
(e) $-u^2$
13. If the expression $(4 - 3x) \cdot x^2$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $4 - 3x^3$ (b) $4x^2 - 3x$
(c) $4x^2 - 3x^3$ (d) $-x^3$
(e) $-3x^3$
14. If the expression $(t^4 - 4t) \cdot t^2$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $t^4 - 4t^3$ (b) $t^6 - 4t^3$
(c) $t^6 - 4t$ (d) $t^4 - 4t^2$
(e) $4t^6$
15. If the expression $(p^2 + 2) \cdot p$ was expanded and simplified as much as possible, you could obtain:
- (a) $p^3 + 2$ (b) $p^2 + 2p$
(c) $3p^3$ (d) $3p^2$
(e) $p^3 + 2p$

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| 7. | B | 8. | C | 9. | E | 10. | D | 11. | A | 12. | D |
| 13. | C | 14. | B | 15. | E | | | | | | |