

## THE DISTRIBUTIVE LAW

Expand and simplify the expressions in this exercise.

1  $\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$

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

3  $\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8})$

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

5  $\sqrt{6}(\sqrt{3} - 2)$

6  $7(2\sqrt{5} - 1)$

①  $\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{10} + \sqrt{15}$

②  $\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}) = 5 + \sqrt{10}$

③  $\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8}) = 2 + \sqrt{16} = 2 + 4 = 6$

④  $\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}) = \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{18} = \sqrt{6} - 3\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{3}\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{3} - 3)$

⑤  $\sqrt{6}(\sqrt{3} - 2) = \sqrt{18} - 2\sqrt{6} = \sqrt{3^2 \times 2} - 2\sqrt{6} = 3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{2}(3 - 2\sqrt{3})$

⑥  $7(2\sqrt{5} - 1) = 14\sqrt{5} - 7$

8  $3\sqrt{2}(2\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5})$

9  $\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})$

10  $\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})$

⑧  $3\sqrt{2}(2\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5}) = 12\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{10}$

⑨  $\sqrt{a}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) = a + \sqrt{ab}$

⑩  $\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) = x - \sqrt{xy}$

14  $(\sqrt{5} + 2)(2\sqrt{5} + 3)$

15  $(2\sqrt{3} - 5)(2\sqrt{3} + 3)$

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

⑭  $(\sqrt{5} + 2)(2\sqrt{5} + 3) = 10 + 3\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{5} + 6 = 16 + 7\sqrt{5}$

⑮  $(2\sqrt{3} - 5)(2\sqrt{3} + 3) = 12 + 6\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{3} - 15 = -3 - 4\sqrt{3}$

⑯  $(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})(2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{6} + 2 = 2 + \sqrt{3}(1 - 2\sqrt{2})$

20  $(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})^2$

21  $(2\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3})^2$

22  $(2\sqrt{2} - 1)(2\sqrt{2} + 1)$

⑳  $(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})^2 = 5 - 2\sqrt{10} + 2 = 7 - 2\sqrt{10}$

㉑  $(2\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3})^2 = 24 + 4\sqrt{18} + 3 = 27 + 4\sqrt{3^2 \times 2} = 27 + 12\sqrt{2}$

㉒  $(2\sqrt{2} - 1)(2\sqrt{2} + 1) = (2\sqrt{2})^2 - 1^2 = 8 - 1 = 7$

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23  $(2\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3})$       24  $(\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{7})(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7})$       25  $(\sqrt{7}-2)(\sqrt{7}+2)$

(23)  $(2\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}) = (2\sqrt{6})^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2 = 24 - 3 = 21$

(24)  $(\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{7})(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7}) = (\sqrt{11})^2 - (\sqrt{7})^2 = 11 - 7 = 4$

(25)  $(\sqrt{7}-2)(\sqrt{7}+2) = (\sqrt{7})^2 - (2)^2 = 7 - 4 = 3$

30  $(\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{10})(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{10})$       31  $(\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5})$       32  $(2\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3})^2$

(30)  $(\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{10})(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{10}) = (\sqrt{11})^2 - (\sqrt{10})^2 = 11 - 10 = 1$

(31)  $(\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}) = (\sqrt{6})^2 - (\sqrt{5})^2 = 6 - 5 = 1$

(32)  $(2\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3})^2 = (2\sqrt{2})^2 + 2(2\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3}) + (\sqrt{3})^2$   
 $\quad\quad\quad = 4 \times 2 + 4\sqrt{6} + 3 = 11 + 4\sqrt{6}$

36 Expand and simplify  $(4\sqrt{3}+1)(2\sqrt{3}-3)$ . Some steps in this simplification are given below. Indicate whether each statement is a correct or incorrect step.

(a)  $72-12\sqrt{3}+2\sqrt{3}-3$       (b)  $24-12\sqrt{3}+2\sqrt{3}-3$       (c)  $21-10\sqrt{3}$       (d)  $27-10\sqrt{3}$

$(4\sqrt{3}+1)(2\sqrt{3}-3) = 24 - 12\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} - 3$

$\quad\quad\quad = 21 - 10\sqrt{3}$

37  $(5\sqrt{2}-4)(5\sqrt{2}+4)$       38  $(2\sqrt{7}+3\sqrt{6})^2$       39  $(2\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{15}-3\sqrt{5})$

(37)  $(5\sqrt{2}-4)(5\sqrt{2}+4) = (5\sqrt{2})^2 - 4^2 = 50 - 16 = 34$

(38)  $(2\sqrt{7}+3\sqrt{6})^2 = (2\sqrt{7})^2 + 2 \times (2\sqrt{7}) \times 3\sqrt{6} + (3\sqrt{6})^2$   
 $\quad\quad\quad = 28 + 12\sqrt{42} + 54 = 82 + 12\sqrt{42}$

(39)  $(2\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{15}-3\sqrt{5}) = 30 - 30\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{3} - 15$   
 $\quad\quad\quad = 15 - 25\sqrt{3}$