

FACTORISING BY GROUPING IN PAIRS

Factorise:

1 $a(x+2) + b(x+2)$

2 $3a(2b-3c) - m(2b-3c)$

3 $p(a+b) + q(a+b) - r(a+b)$

4 $x^2(2x-1) + 4(2x-1)$

5 $ax + 4a + bx + 4b$

6 $x^2 - xy + xz - yz$

10 $a^3 + 3a^2b + ab^2 + 3b^3$

11 $ac - 2bc - 2ad + 4bd$

12 $3xy - 6y + 7x - 14$

16 $x^3 + 3x^2 + 4x + 12$

17 $p^2q - pq^2 + 5p - 5q$

18 $m^2p + m^2 + np + n$

19 $x^2y + x^2 + y + 1$

20 $ab - 3a - 4b + 12$

21 $2x - 6y - xy + 3y^2$

22 When $3m^2 - 3mn - m + n$ is factorised, the answer is:

A $(3m-1)(m-n)$

B $(3m-n)(m-1)$

C $(3m-1)(m+n)$

D $(3m+1)(m-n)$

23 Indicate whether each answer is a correct or incorrect factorisation of $2x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x + 2$.

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

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

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

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