

# Factorising and Expanding Brackets 50 marks

1. (a) Factorise

$$9x^2 - 6x + 1$$

..... (2)

(b) Simplify

$$\frac{6x^2 + 7x - 3}{9x^2 - 6x + 1}$$

..... (3)  
(Total 5 marks)

2. (a) Factorise  $x^2 - 3x$

..... (2)

(b) Simplify  $k^5 \div k^2$

..... (1)

(c) Expand and simplify

(i)  $4(x + 5) + 3(x - 7)$

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(ii)  $(x + 3y)(x + 2y)$

..... (4)

(d) Factorise  $(p + q)^2 + 5(p + q)$

..... (1)  
(Total 8 marks)

3. (a) Simplify  $k^5 \div k^2$

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(1)

(b) Expand and simplify

(i)  $4(x + 5) + 3(x - 7)$

.....

(ii)  $(x + 3y)(x + 2y)$

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(4)

(c) Factorise  $(p + q)^2 + 5(p + q)$

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(1)

(d) Simplify  $(m^{-4})^{-2}$

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(1)

(e) Simplify  $2t^2 \times 3r^3t^4$

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(2)

(Total 9 marks)

4. Simplify  $\frac{4x^2 - 9}{2x^2 - 5x + 3}$

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(Total 3marks)

5. (a) Simplify  $a^3 \times a^4$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $3x^2y \times 5xy^3$

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(2)

(c) Simplify  $\frac{(x-1)^2}{x-1}$

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(1)

(d) Factorise  $x^2 - 9$

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(1)

(Total 5 marks)

6. (a) Simplify  $a^3 \times a^4$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $3x^2y \times 5xy^3$

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(2)

(c) Simplify  $\frac{(x-1)^2}{x-1}$

..... (1)

(d) Factorise  $a^2 - 9b^2$

..... (2)  
(Total 6 marks)

7. (a) Expand and simplify  $(x+7)(x-4)$

..... (2)

(b) Expand  $y(y^3 + 2y)$

..... (2)

(c) Factorise  $p^2 + 6p$

..... (2)

(d) Factorise completely  $6x^2 - 9xy$

..... (2)  
(Total 8 marks)

8. (a) Simplify fully

$$\frac{2x^2 - 3x}{4x^2 - 9}$$

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(Total 3 marks)

9. (a) Factorise completely  $2(x - 5)^2 + 3(x - 5)$

..... (2)

(b) Simplify  $\frac{3(y - 4)}{(y - 4)^2}$

..... (1)  
(Total 3 marks)