

BINOMIAL EXPANSION

A BINOMIAL EXPANSION FOR $n = 2$ AND $n = 3$

A.1 EXPANDING PERFECT SQUARE BINOMIALS (ADDITION)

Ex 1: Expand and simplify

$$(x + 2)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 2: Expand and simplify

$$(3 + x)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 3: Expand and simplify

$$(2x + 1)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 4: Expand and simplify

$$(2 + 3x)^2 = \boxed{}$$

A.2 EXPANDING PERFECT SQUARE BINOMIALS (SUBTRACTION)

Ex 5: Expand and simplify

$$(x - 2)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 6: Expand and simplify

$$(3 - x)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 7: Expand and simplify

$$(2x - 1)^2 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 8: Expand and simplify

$$(2 - 3x)^2 = \boxed{}$$

A.3 EXPANDING PERFECT CUBE BINOMIALS (ADDITION)

Ex 9: Expand and simplify

$$(x + 1)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 10: Expand and simplify

$$(x + 3)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 11: Expand and simplify

$$(2x + 2)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 12: Expand and simplify

$$(2x + 3)^3 = \boxed{}$$

A.4 EXPANDING PERFECT CUBE BINOMIALS (SUBTRACTION)

Ex 13: Expand and simplify

$$(x - 1)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 14: Expand and simplify

$$(x - 2)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 15: Expand and simplify

$$(3 - x)^3 = \boxed{}$$

Ex 16: Expand and simplify

$$(2x - 1)^3 = \boxed{}$$

B PASCAL'S TRIANGLE

B.1 BUILDING PASCAL'S TRIANGLE

Ex 17: Write down the first five rows of Pascal's triangle.

Ex 18: Write down the first six rows of Pascal's triangle.

B.2 USING THE FOURTH ROW OF PASCAL'S TRIANGLE

Ex 19: Use Pascal's triangle to find the coefficients of the expansion of $(a + b)^4$, then expand and simplify.

Ex 20: Use Pascal’s triangle to expand and simplify:

$(x - 1)^4 =$

Ex 21: Use Pascal’s triangle to expand and simplify

$(2x - 1)^4 =$

B.3 USING THE FIFTH ROW OF PASCAL’S TRIANGLE

Ex 22: Use Pascal’s triangle to find the coefficients of the expansion of $(a + b)^5$, then expand and simplify.

Ex 23: Use Pascal’s triangle to expand and simplify:

$(x + 1)^5 =$

Ex 24: Use Pascal’s triangle to expand and simplify:

$(x - 1)^5 =$

Ex 25: Use Pascal’s triangle to expand and simplify:

$(2 - x)^5 =$

C THE BINOMIAL THEOREM

C.1 EVALUATING FACTORIALS WITHOUT A CALCULATOR

Ex 26: Evaluate:

$3! =$.

Ex 27: Evaluate:

$4! =$

Ex 28: Evaluate:

$5! =$

Ex 29: Evaluate:

$6! =$

C.2 EVALUATING FACTORIALS WITH A CALCULATOR

Ex 30:  Evaluate:

$7! =$

Ex 31:  Evaluate:

$\frac{8!}{3!} =$

Ex 32:  Evaluate:

$\frac{9!}{3!6!} =$

Ex 33:  Evaluate:

$\binom{20}{17} =$

Ex 34:  Evaluate:

$\binom{15}{10} =$

C.3 EXPRESSING PRODUCTS IN FACTORIAL FORM

Ex 35: Express in factorial form:

$\frac{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{2 \times 1} =$

Ex 36: Express in factorial form:

$4 \times 3 =$

Ex 37: Express in factorial form:

$\frac{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{3 \times 2 \times 1} =$

Ex 38: Express in factorial form:

$5 \times 4 =$

Ex 39: Express in factorial form:

$\frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} =$

Ex 40: Express in factorial form:

$7 \times 6 \times 5 =$



C.4 EVALUATING FACTORIALS BY SIMPLIFICATION

Ex 41: Evaluate

$$\binom{5}{3} = \square$$

Ex 42: Evaluate

$$\binom{6}{4} = \square$$


Ex 43: Evaluate


$$\binom{7}{2} = \square$$

Ex 44: Evaluate


$$\binom{7}{4} = \square$$


C.5 FINDING A SPECIFIC TERM IN AN EXPANSION

Ex 45:  Find the coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $(x-1)^6$.

Ex 46:  Find the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of $(2x+3)^7$.

Ex 47: Find the constant term (term independent of x) in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$.

Ex 48:  Find the coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of $(3x-2)^7$.

Ex 49:  Find the constant term (term independent of x) in the expansion of $\left(2x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$.

C.6 DERIVING IDENTITIES FROM THE BINOMIAL THEOREM

Ex 50:

1. Show that

$$(1+x)^n = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1}x + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}x^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n}x^n.$$

2. Hence deduce that:

$$(a) \quad \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1} + \binom{n}{n} = 2^n$$

$$(b) \quad \binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - \dots + (-1)^n \binom{n}{n} = 0$$

Ex 51:

1. By differentiating the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^n$, show that

$$n(1+x)^{n-1} = \sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} x^{k-1}.$$

2. Hence, deduce that:

$$\binom{n}{1} + 2\binom{n}{2} + 3\binom{n}{3} + \dots + n\binom{n}{n} = n2^{n-1}$$

