UNIT 3 • MODELING AND ANALYZING QUADRATIC FUNCTIONS

Lesson 1: Creating and Solving Quadratic Equations in One Variable

Practice 3.1.2: Factoring Expressions by the Greatest Common Factor

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For problems 1–6, factor each expression by the greatest common factor if a common factor exists, or state that the terms have no common factor.

1.
$$3x^3 + 5x^2$$

4.
$$x^2 - 9x + 3$$

2.
$$2x^2y - 8xy^2$$

5.
$$x^3y^2 - 2x^2y^3 + 5xy^2$$

3.
$$y^4 + 2y^2$$

6.
$$7x - 21x^2y$$

Use what you have learned about factoring polynomials by the GCF to complete problems 7 and 8.

- 7. Christopher has two bags of marbles. The number of marbles in the first bag can be represented by the monomial $45x^2y$, and the number of marbles in the other bag can be represented by $60x^3y^2$. What is the GCF of these two monomials?
- 8. An equilateral triangle has a perimeter of $(15x^3 + 33y^2)$ feet. What is the length of each side?

Use the following information to complete problems 9 and 10.

Samuel and Ariana are competing in a speed round for an open position on the math team. To win the spot, each student must factor the same polynomial expression, $12xyz^2 + 16x^2y^2z - 32x^2yz$, by finding the GCF.

- 9. Samuel's final result was 2xyz(6z + 8xy 16x). Explain his error, if any.
- 10. Ariana's final result was $4xyz^2(3x + 4xy 8xyz)$. Explain her error, if any.

Review: Multiply the polynomials

a.
$$(x + 4)(x - 3)$$

b.
$$(x + 8)^2$$

c.
$$(2x + 4)(5x - 1)$$

Factor the following Quadratic Expressions.

1.
$$x^2 + 10x$$

2.
$$x^2 - 9x$$

$$3. x^2 - 6x$$

4.
$$3b^2 - 81b$$

5.
$$10x^2 + 40x$$

6.
$$8x^2 + 24x$$

10.
$$-2x^2 - 4x$$

11.
$$-30x^2 + 25x$$