

1. For the polynomial  $-x^3 + 15x^2 - 5x + 8$  the degree is \_\_\_\_\_, the leading coefficient is \_\_\_\_\_, and the constant is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Give an example of a polynomial of degree 2 with leading coefficient  $-2$  and constant 3.
3. If you graph your example above, does it open up or down? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the y-intercept of your example? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Add:  $(x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x + 3) + (2x^3 + 4x^2 - x + 1)$
6. Subtract:  $(x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x + 3) - (2x^3 + 4x^2 - x + 1)$
7. Multiply:  $(2x - 6)(x - 5)$
8.  $(x + 10)^2$

9. Divide:  $\frac{x^3 + x^2 - 5x - 2}{x - 2}$

10. Factor the perfect square:  $x^2 - 8x + 16$

11. Factor the difference of two squares:  $x^2 - 49$

12. Factor the difference of two cubes:  $x^3 - 1$

Graph  $y = -x^2 - 2x + 8$  by using the following steps:

13.  $a = \underline{\quad}, b = \underline{\quad}, c = \underline{\quad}$

14. Does the parabola open up or down?  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

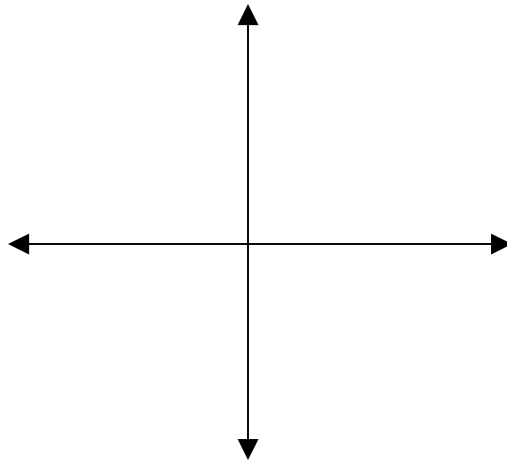
15. How can you easily tell? Because  $\underline{\hspace{4cm}}$

16. The vertex is (  $\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}$  )

17. The y-intercept, i.e. the point where the graph crosses the y-axis is (  $\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}$  )

18. The x-intercepts, i.e. the points where the graph crosses the x-axis are (\_\_, \_\_)  
and (\_\_, \_\_)

19. Plot the points in questions 16,17 and 18 above, and graph the parabola.



Evaluate the numbers:

20.  $64^{\frac{1}{2}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $-16^{\frac{3}{2}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $\sqrt[3]{8} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $\sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Write in simplest radical form:

21.  $\sqrt{8x^3y^4}$

22.  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$23. \frac{5}{2-\sqrt{3}}$$

Solve for x:

$$24. x^2 = 81$$

$$25. \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$26. x^2 + 4x + 2 = 0$$

$$27. x^2 + 6x = -9$$

$$28. 2x^2 - 10x + 6 = 0$$