

Answers Sheet

Expanding Triple Brackets

1.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x + 1)(x + 3)(x + 2) \\ &= (x + 1)(x^2 + 2x + 3x + 6) \\ &= (x + 1)(x^2 + 5x + 6) \\ &= x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + x^2 + 5x + 6 \\ &= \mathbf{x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6} \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x - 2)(x + 4)(x - 3) \\ &= (x - 2)(x^2 - 3x + 4x - 12) \\ &= (x - 2)(x^2 + x - 12) \\ &= x^3 + x^2 - 12x - 2x^2 - 2x + 24 \\ &= \mathbf{x^3 - x^2 - 14x + 24} \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x + 3)(x + 1)(x + 5) \\ &= (x + 3)(x^2 + 5x + x + 5) \\ &= (x + 3)(x^2 + 6x + 5) \\ &= x^3 + 6x^2 + 5x + 3x^2 + 18x + 15 \\ &= \mathbf{x^3 + 9x^2 + 23x + 15} \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x + 3)(x + 6)(x - 2) \\ &= (x + 3)(x^2 - 2x + 6x - 12) \\ &= (x + 3)(x^2 + 4x - 12) \\ &= x^3 + 4x^2 - 12x + 3x^2 + 12x - 36 \\ &= \mathbf{x^3 + 7x^2 - 36} \end{aligned}$$

5.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x + 2)(x - 2)^2 \\ &= (x + 2)(x - 2)(x - 2) \\ &= (x + 2)(x^2 - 2x - 2x + 4) \\ &= (x + 2)(x^2 - 4x + 4) \\ &= x^3 - 4x^2 + 4x + 2x^2 - 8x + 8 \\ &= \mathbf{x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 8} \end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x + 4)(x - 3)(2x - 2) \\ &= (x + 4)(2x^2 - 2x - 6x + 6) \\ &= (x + 4)(2x^2 - 8x + 6) \\ &= 2x^3 - 8x^2 + 6x + 8x^2 - 32x + 24 \\ &= \mathbf{2x^3 - 26x + 24} \end{aligned}$$

7.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2x + 1)(x + 4)(x + 2) \\ &= (2x + 1)(x^2 + 2x + 4x + 8) \\ &= (2x + 1)(x^2 + 6x + 8) \\ &= 2x^3 + 12x^2 + 16x + x^2 + 6x + 8 \\ &= \mathbf{2x^3 + 13x^2 + 22x + 8} \end{aligned}$$

8.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2x - 2)(x - 4)(4x - 2) \\ &= (2x - 2)(4x^2 - 2x - 16x + 8) \\ &= (2x - 2)(4x^2 - 18x + 8) \\ &= 8x^3 - 36x^2 + 16x - 8x^2 + 36x - 16 \\ &= \mathbf{8x^3 + 44x^2 + 52x - 16} \end{aligned}$$

9.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (x - 3)(3x + 1)(x + 6) \\ &= (x - 3)(3x^2 + 18x + x + 6) \\ &= (x - 3)(3x^2 + 19x + 6) \\ &= 3x^3 + 19x^2 + 6x - 9x^2 - 57x - 18 \\ &= \mathbf{3x^3 + 10x^2 - 51x - 18} \end{aligned}$$

10.

$$\begin{aligned} &= (3x + 2)(x + 1)(x - 3) \\ &= (3x + 2)(x^2 - 3x + x - 3) \\ &= (3x + 2)(x^2 - 2x - 3) \\ &= 3x^3 - 6x^2 - 9x + 2x^2 - 4x - 6 \\ &= \mathbf{3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6} \end{aligned}$$

11.

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{(2x + 1)(4x + 3)(x - 4) = 8x^3 - 22x^2 - 37x - 12} \\ &(2x + 1)(4x^2 - 16x + 3x - 12) \\ &(2x + 1)(4x^2 - 13x - 12) \\ &8x^3 - 26x^2 - 24x + 4x^2 - 13x - 12 \\ &\mathbf{8x^3 - 22x^2 - 37x - 12} \\ &\mathbf{L.H.S = R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

12.

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{(x - 2)(4x + 2)^2 = 4(4x^3 - 4x^2 - 7x - 2)} \\ &(x - 2)(4x + 2)(4x + 2) \\ &(x - 2)(16x^2 + 8x + 8x + 4) \\ &(x - 2)(16x^2 + 16x + 4) \\ &16x^3 + 16x^2 + 4x - 32x^2 - 32x - 8 \\ &16x^3 - 16x^2 - 28x - 8 \\ &4(4x^3 - 4x^2 - 7x - 2) \\ &\mathbf{L.H.S = R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

13.

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{(3x - 2)(4x + 1)(x - 8) = 12x^3 - 101x^2 + 38x + 16} \\ &(3x - 2)(4x^2 - 32x + x - 8) \\ &(3x - 2)(4x^2 - 31x - 8) \\ &12x^3 - 93x^2 - 24x - 8x^2 + 62x + 16 \\ &\mathbf{12x^3 - 101x^2 + 38x + 16} \\ &\mathbf{L.H.S = R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

14.

$$(6x - 3)(4x + 1)(3x - 8) = 3(24x^3 - 70x^2 + 13x + 8)$$

$$(6x - 3)(12x^2 - 32x + 3x - 8)$$

$$(6x - 3)(12x^2 - 29x - 8)$$

$$72x^3 - 174x^2 - 48x - 36x^2 + 87x + 24$$

$$72x^3 - 210x^2 + 39x + 24$$

$$3(24x^3 - 70x^2 + 13x + 8)$$

$$\mathbf{L.H.S = R.H.S}$$
