

Section 8.5

Algebra II: Adding and Subtracting Square Roots

Essential Question: Add and subtract square roots.

- The same way you + and - variables.
i.e. $2x+3x = 5x$

Vocabulary—Like and Unlike Terms

Examples

$$2\sqrt{6} + 3\sqrt{6} = \\ = 5\sqrt{6}$$

$$2\sqrt{7} - 4\sqrt{7} = \\ = -2\sqrt{7}$$

Non Examples

$$\begin{array}{lll} \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} = & x+y & 2\sqrt{x} + 3\sqrt{y} \\ = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} & = x+y & = 2\sqrt{x} + 3\sqrt{y} \\ & & & = 2x+3y \end{array}$$

1)

$$3\sqrt{2} + 10\sqrt{2} \\ = 13\sqrt{2}$$

2)

$$7\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3} \\ = 6\sqrt{3}$$

3)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \circled{1}\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{27} \\ 3\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{9 \cdot 3} \\ 4\sqrt{3} & \sqrt{3} \circled{3 \cdot 3} \\ & 3\sqrt{3} \end{array}$$

4)

$$\sqrt{18} + \sqrt{2}$$

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Simplify.

$$1) 2\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{2}$$

$$2) 6\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$3) 8\sqrt{5} + 5\sqrt{5}$$

$$4) -\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$5) -\cancel{\sqrt{5}} + \cancel{\sqrt{5}}$$

0

$$6) 10\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{7}$$

$$7) 6\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3}$$

$$8) \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$9) \sqrt{18} + \sqrt{2}$$

$\cancel{\sqrt{2 \cdot 9}}$

$$\begin{aligned} & 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} \\ & = 4\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$10) 4\sqrt{12} - 2\sqrt{3}$$

$4\sqrt{2 \cdot 3}$

$4 \cdot 2\sqrt{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} & 8\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{3} \\ & = 6\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$13) 6\sqrt{3} - 4\sqrt{27}$$

$$14) (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2})$$

$3\sqrt{2} \neq \sqrt{3}$

$$15) (\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{5})$$

$4\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$

$$16) \sqrt{12} - 4\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}$$

$$17) \sqrt{24} + 5\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$18) \sqrt{45} + 2\sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{7}$$

$\sqrt{5 \cdot 9}$

$\sqrt{5 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}$

$\overline{3\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{7}}$

$5\sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{7}$