

# 7.8 Practice WITH CalcChat® AND CalcView®



In Exercises 1–8, factor the polynomial by grouping.

▶ **Example 1**

1.  $x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 2$
2.  $y^3 - 9y^2 + y - 9$
3.  $3z^3 - 8 - 12z^2 + 2z$
4.  $2s^3 + 27 + 18s + 3s^2$
5.  $x^2 + xy + 8x + 8y$
6.  $q^2 + q + 5pq + 5p$
7.  $m^2 - 3n - 3m + mn$
8.  $2a^2 - 12b + 8ab - 3a$

In Exercises 9–20, factor the polynomial completely.

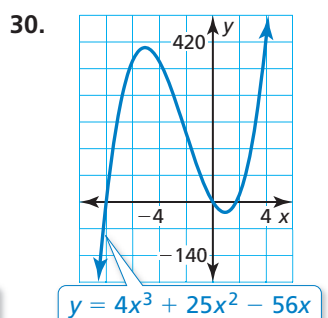
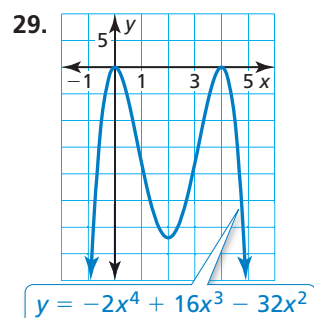
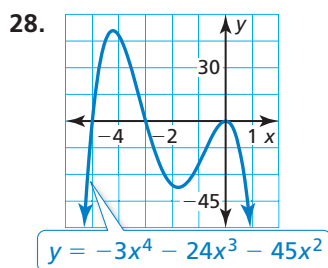
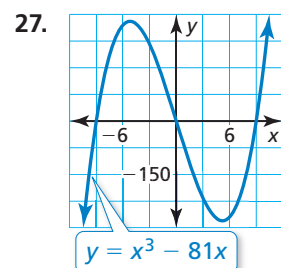
▶ **Example 2**

9.  $2x^3 - 2x$
10.  $36a^4 - 4a^2$
11.  $2c^2 - 7c + 19$
12.  $m^2 - 5m - 35$
13.  $6g^3 - 24g^2 + 24g$
14.  $-15d^3 + 21d^2 - 6d$
15.  $3r^5 + 3r^4 - 90r^3$
16.  $5w^4 - 40w^3 + 80w^2$
17.  $-4c^4 + 8c^3 - 28c^2$
18.  $8t^2 + 8t - 72$
19.  $b^3 - 5b^2 - 4b + 20$
20.  $h^3 + 4h^2 - 25h - 100$

In Exercises 21–26, solve the equation. ▶ **Example 3**

21.  $5n^3 - 30n^2 + 40n = 0$
22.  $k^4 - 100k^2 = 0$
23.  $x^3 + x^2 = 4x + 4$
24.  $2t^5 + 2t^4 - 144t^3 = 0$
25.  $147s - 3s^3 = 0$
26.  $4y^3 - 7y^2 + 28 = 16y$

In Exercises 27–30, find the  $x$ -intercepts of the graph.



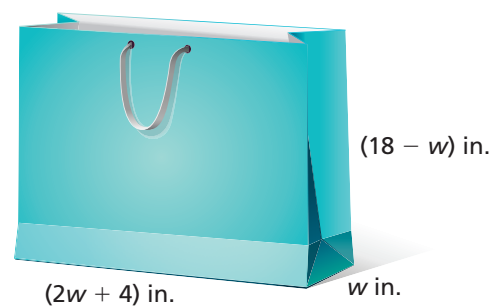
**ERROR ANALYSIS** In Exercises 31 and 32, describe and correct the error in factoring the polynomial completely.

31. 
$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + 8a^2 - 6a - 48 & \\ &= a^2(a + 8) + 6(a + 8) \\ &= (a + 8)(a^2 + 6) \end{aligned}$$

32. 
$$\begin{aligned} x^3 - 6x^2 - 9x + 54 & \\ &= x^2(x - 6) - 9(x - 6) \\ &= (x - 6)(x^2 - 9) \end{aligned}$$

33. **MODELING REAL LIFE** A birdhouse in the shape of a rectangular prism has a volume of 128 cubic inches. The width is  $w$  inches, the depth is 4 inches, and the height is 4 inches greater than the width. What are the dimensions of the birdhouse? ▶ **Example 4**

34. **MODELING REAL LIFE** A gift bag has width  $w$  and is in the shape of a rectangular prism. The volume of the gift bag is 1152 cubic inches. The height is greater than the width. What are the dimensions of the gift bag?



In Exercises 35–38, factor the polynomial completely.

35.  $x^3 + 2x^2y - x - 2y$
36.  $8b^3 - 4b^2a - 18b + 9a$
37.  $4s^2 - s + 12st - 3t$
38.  $6m^3 - 12mn + m^2n - 2n^2$
39. **COLLEGE PREP** When  $9h^3 - 25h - 27h^2 + 75$  is factored completely, which of the following is one of the factors? Select all that apply.
  - (A)  $9h^2 - 25$
  - (B)  $h - 3$
  - (C)  $3h - 5$
  - (D)  $3h + 5$