

# Warm-up

Factor

①  $x^2 + 5x + 6$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \cdot 6 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -1 \cdot -6 \\ -2 \cdot -3 \end{array} \right. \\ \underline{2 \cdot 3} \end{array}$$

$$(x + 2)(x + 3)$$

②  $16x^2 - 49$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1x \cdot 16x \quad 1 \cdot -49 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -1 \cdot 49 \\ -7 \cdot 7 \end{array} \right. \\ 2x \cdot 8x \quad 7 \cdot -7 \\ \downarrow \\ 4x \cdot 4x \end{array}$$

$$(4x + 7)(4x - 7)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 28x \\ -28x \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

③  $5x^2 - 14x - 3$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1x \cdot 5x \quad 1 \cdot -3 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -1 \cdot 3 \\ -3 \cdot 1 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

$$(1x - 3)(5x + 1)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -15x \\ \underline{1x} \\ -14x \end{array}$$

# 5.4 Factor & Solve Polynomials

\* Greatest Common Factor

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x^3 + 2x^2 - 15x$$

GCF:  $x$

$$x \left( \frac{x^2}{x \cdot x} + 2x - \frac{15}{3 \cdot 5} \right)$$

$$x(x-3)(x+5)$$

1<sup>st</sup> - Check if any #  
in common  
(nope!)

Check if any  
variable in each  
(yes, all have  $x$ )

2<sup>nd</sup> - Check if stuff  
left over can be  
factored.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 2y^5 - 18y^3$$

$\begin{matrix} \cdot 2y^3 \\ 5 \\ \cdot 2y^3 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$

Common:  $2y^3$

GCF:  $2y^3$

$$2y^3 (y^2 - 9)$$

$\begin{matrix} y \cdot y & & -9 \\ 1 \cdot -9 & \left\{ \begin{matrix} -1 \cdot 9 \\ -3 \cdot 3 \end{matrix} \right. \end{matrix}$

$$2y^3 (y+3)(y-3) \quad \ddot{\text{u}}$$

# Perfect Cubes

$$1^3 = 1 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{1} = 1$$

$$2^3 = 8 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{8} = 2$$

$$3^3 = 27 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{27} = 3$$

$$4^3 = 64 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{64} = 4$$

$$5^3 = 125 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{125} = 5$$

$$6^3 = 216 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{216} = 6$$

$$7^3 = 343 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{343} = 7$$

$$8^3 = 512 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{512} = 8$$

$$9^3 = 729 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{729} = 9$$

$$10^3 = 1000 \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{1000} = 10$$

# Dealing w/ Sum & Diff of Perfect Cubes

$$a^3 + b^3 = (a+b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

are cube roots

$$x^3 + 64$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$   
 $a =$                        $b =$

$$8x^3 - 27$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$   
 $a =$                        $b =$