

Answer on Question #59237 – Math – Algebra

Simplify each of the following expressions as far as possible; multiply out any brackets, expand any algebraic fractions, and collect like terms together. Show your working.

Question

$$8t - 10 - 10t + 15$$

Solution

$$8t - 10 - 10t + 15 = (8t - 10t) + (-10 + 15) = -2t + 5$$

Answer: $-2t + 5$.

Question

$$3(7 - 5p)$$

Solution

$$3(7 - 5p) = 3 \cdot 7 - 3 \cdot 5p = 21 - 15p$$

Answer: $21 - 15p$.

Question

$$1 + x(6 - 4x) - 6x$$

Solution

$$1 + x(6 - 4x) - 6x = 1 + x \cdot 6 - x \cdot 4x - 6x = 1 + (6x - 6x) - 4x^2 = 1 - 4x^2$$

Answer: $1 - 4x^2$.

Question

$$12a - 4(5b - 2a)$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} 12a - 4(5b - 2a) &= 12a - 4 \cdot 5b - 4(-2a) = 12a - 20b + 8a = (12a + 8a) - 20b = \\ &= 20a - 20b \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $20a - 20b$.

Question

$$4x(7 - 3x - 2x^2) + 5(3x^2 - 12x)$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} 4x(7 - 3x - 2x^2) + 5(3x^2 - 12x) &= 4x \cdot 7 + 4x \cdot (-3x) + 4x \cdot (-2x^2) + 5 \cdot (3x^2) + 5 \cdot (-12x) = \\ &= 28x - 12x^2 - 8x^3 + 15x^2 - 60x = (28x - 60x) + (15x^2 - 12x^2) - 8x^3 \\ &= -32x + 3x^2 - 8x^3 \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $-32x + 3x^2 - 8x^3$

Question

$$q^2 - 4q + 6$$

q

Solution

$$\frac{q^2 - 4q + 6}{q} = \frac{q^2}{q} - \frac{4q}{q} + \frac{6}{q} = q - 4 + \frac{6}{q}$$

Answer: $q - 4 + \frac{6}{q}$.