

Chapter 8 Radicals

In class work: Solve each problem.

Section 8.2

Multiplying, Dividing, and Simplifying Radical

1) Simplify the following:

$$\sqrt{90}$$

$$\sqrt{125}$$

$$\sqrt{128}$$

$$\sqrt{200}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{200}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{125}{8}}$$

$$\frac{30\sqrt{10}}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{40}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{243}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{216}{125}}$$

2) Simplify each radical. Assume all variables represent nonnegative real numbers.

$$\sqrt{m^2}$$

$$\sqrt{36z^2}$$

$$\sqrt{18x^8}$$

$$\sqrt{z^5}$$

$$\sqrt{81m^4n^2}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{p^3}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{15t^5}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{216m^3n^6}$$

Section 8.3

Adding and Subtracting Radicals

3) Simplify. Assume all variables represent nonnegative real numbers.

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

$$2\sqrt{50} - 5\sqrt{72}$$

$$9\sqrt{24} - 2\sqrt{54} + 3\sqrt{20}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{288} + \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{72}$$

$$\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$2\sqrt[4]{48} - \sqrt[4]{243}$$

$$\sqrt{32x} - \sqrt{18x}$$

$$\sqrt{75x^2} + x\sqrt{300}$$

$$5\sqrt[3]{27x^2} + 8\sqrt[3]{8x^2}$$

$$10\sqrt[3]{4m^4} - 3m\sqrt[3]{32m}$$

Section 8.4
Rationalizing the Denominator

The process of changing the denominator from a radical (irrational number) to a rational number is called rationalizing the denominator.

Simplified form of a radical

1. The radicand contains no factor(except 1) that is a perfect square (when dealing with square roots), a perfect cube(when dealing with cube roots), and so on.
2. The radicand has no fractions.
3. No denominator contains a radical.

4) Rationalize each denominator.

$$\frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{12\sqrt{10}}{8\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{6}{\sqrt{200}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt[3]{7m}}{\sqrt[3]{36n}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{25x^2}}$$

5) Simplify.

$$\sqrt{\frac{7}{13}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{9}{8}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{7}{16}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{16}{m}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{7x^3}}{\sqrt{y}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2x^2z^4}{3y}}$$

Section 8.5
More Simplifying and Operations with Radicals

6) Simplify.

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

$$\sqrt[3]{4}(\sqrt[3]{2}-3)$$

$$3\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{28}$$

$$(5\sqrt{7} - 2\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$(2\sqrt{6}+3)(3\sqrt{6}+7)$$

$$(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{30})(\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3})$$

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

$$(\sqrt[3]{4}+\sqrt[3]{2})(\sqrt[3]{16}-\sqrt[3]{8}+\sqrt[3]{4})$$

$$(5a-\sqrt{2})(5a+\sqrt{2})$$

7) Rationalize.

$$\frac{1}{2+\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{108}}{3+3\sqrt{3}}$$

8) Reduce to lowest terms.

$$\frac{5\sqrt{7}-10}{5}$$

$$\frac{6\sqrt{5}-9}{3}$$

$$\frac{16+8\sqrt{2}}{24}$$