

5.2 Dividing Polynomials
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$\text{Divisor} \overline{) \text{Dividend}} \begin{matrix} \text{Quotient} \\ + \text{remainder} \\ \text{divisor} \end{matrix}$	$\text{Dividend} = (\text{Quotient})(\text{Divisor}) + \text{Remainder}$
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Warm-ups with Long Division (no calculator!)

1. $2445 \div 3$	2. $976 \cdot 5^{-1}$	3. $\frac{2089}{4}$
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Use the same procedure with polynomials!

4. $(4x^3 - 9x^2 - 10x - 2) \div (x - 3)$	
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<p>Remainder Theorem: If a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(x - k)$ then the remainder is $R = f(k)$.</p>	<p>Factor Theorem: A polynomial $f(x)$ has a factor $(x - k)$ if and only if $f(k) = 0$.</p>
Verify the Remainder Theorem for #4:	Is $(x-3)$ a factor of the polynomial in #4?

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5. $(-x^4 + 5x^3 - 10x - 4) \cdot (x + 1)^{-1}$

Is the divisor a factor?

Evaluate the polynomial for $x = -1$

6. $\frac{(4x^3 - 7x^2 - 11x + 5)}{(4x + 5)}$

Is the divisor a factor?

Evaluate the polynomial for
 $x = -\frac{5}{4}$

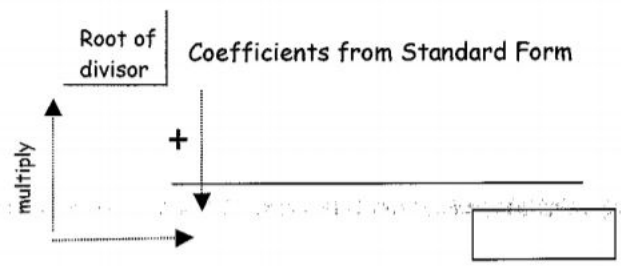
7. $(5x^4 + 2x^3 - 9x + 12) \div (x^2 - 3x + 4)$

Is the divisor a factor?

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Synthetic Division: used to divide a polynomial by a binomial divisor in the form $(x - c)$ in which c is a constant and the coefficient of x is 1.

* You will need a place-holder of the coefficient "zero" for each missing term!



<p>1. $(x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x - 4) \div (x - 2)$</p> <p>Is the divisor a factor?</p>	<p>2. $(2x^3 + x^2 - 8x + 16) \cdot (x + 4)^{-1}$</p> <p>Is the divisor a factor?</p>
<p>3. $\frac{4x^4 - 2x^2 + x + 1}{(x - 1)}$</p> <p>Is the divisor a factor?</p>	<p>4. $(x^3 - 64) \div (x - 4)$</p> <p>Is the divisor a factor?</p>

What if the coefficient of x is not 1?

$$5. (6x^2 - 5x + 9) \div (2x - 1)$$

Find the value of k so that the remainder for each of the following is 3.

$$6. (x^2 - x + k) \div (x - 1)$$

$$7. (x^3 + 4x^2 + x + k) \div (x + 2)$$

$$8. (x^2 + 5x + 7) \div (x + k)$$