

# Unit 2: Polynomials And Factoring

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## Transfer

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### Big Idea: Polynomials & Factoring

## Essential Questions

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In what scenarios can polynomial and rational functions be used to model real-life processes?

How are the properties of real numbers related to polynomials?

## Enduring Understandings

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You can represent algebraic expressions in many ways. When you add, subtract, multiply, divide and factor polynomials, you replace one expression with an equivalent expression.

The properties of real numbers are the basis of the laws of algebra. You can apply properties of real numbers, such as the Distributive Property, to polynomials

## Standards in Mathematics

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MA.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
MA.N-RN.A	Extend the properties of exponents to rational exponents.
MA.A-SSE.A	Interpret the structure of expressions
MA.N-RN.A.1	Explain how the definition of the meaning of rational exponents follows from extending the properties of integer exponents to those values, allowing for a notation for radicals in terms of rational exponents.
MA.K-12.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
MA.A-SSE.A.1a	Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, and coefficients.
MA.K-12.3	Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

MA.A-SSE.A.1b	Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity.
MA.K-12.4	Model with mathematics.
MA.K-12.7	Look for and make use of structure.
MA.K-12.8	Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.
MA.A-APR.A.1	Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.
MA.8.G.C	Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres.
MA.8.G.C.9	Know the formulas for the volumes of cones, cylinders, and spheres and use them to solve real-world and mathematical problems.

## **Critical Knowledge and Skills**

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### **Vocabulary**

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Binomial, Degree of a Monomial, Degree of a Polynomial, Difference of Two Squares, Exponent, Factoring by Grouping, Monomial, Perfect-Square Trinomial, Polynomial, Standard Form of a Polynomial, Trinomial

### **Learning Objectives**

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Classify, add, and subtract polynomials (A.APR.1)

Multiply powers with the same base (N.RN.1)

Multiply a monomial by a polynomial (A.APR.1)

Factor a monomial from a polynomial (A.SSE.1.b)

Multiply two binomials or a binomial by a trinomial (A.APR.1)

Apply polynomials to area, surface area, and volume, including cylinders, cones, and spheres (8.G.9)

Find the square of a binomial and to find the product of a sum and difference (A.APR.1)

Factor trinomials of the form  $x^2 + bx + c$  (A.SSE.1.a)

Factor trinomials of the form  $ax^2 + bx + c$  (A.SSE.1.a)

Factor perfect square trinomials and the differences of two squares (A.SSE.1.a)

Factor higher-degree polynomials by grouping (A.SSE.1.a)

## **Resources**

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[Illuminations Distributing & Factoring Using Area](#)

[TED Ed: Locker Riddle](#)

[Factoring Math Game](#)

[Khan Academy: Polynomials](#)

[Khan Academy: Factorization](#)