

LESSON
18-1**Multiplying Polynomial Expressions by Monomials****Success for English Learners****Problem 1**

When multiplying polynomial expressions by monomials, the Distributive Property can be used.

$$3m^2n^3(5n^5 - 4mn + 2n^2)$$

$$3m^2n^3(5n^5) - 3m^2n^3(4mn) + 3m^2n^3(2n^2)$$

$$15m^2n^{3+5} - 12m^{2+1}n^{3+1} + 6m^2n^{3+2}$$

$$15m^2n^8 - 12m^3n^4 + 6m^2n^5$$

Multiply the monomial by every term in the polynomial.

The product of powers property states that when multiplying powers with the same base, the exponents are added.

$$p^4 \cdot p^3 = p^{4+3} = p^7$$

Problem 2

When multiplying polynomial expressions by an integer, rules of negatives still apply.

$$-5(5n^5 - 4mn + 2n^2)$$

$$(-5)(5n^5) - (-5)(4mn) + (-5)(2n^2)$$

$$-25n^5 + 20mn - 10n^2$$

1. In Problem 2, why does the subtraction change to addition?

2. Why did the exponents in Problem 2 remain the same?

3. In Problem 1, how would multiplying by $-3m^2n^3$ make the answer different?
