

## NCERT Solutions for Class 9

### Maths

#### Chapter 2 – Polynomials

##### Exercise 2.2

1. Find the value of the polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  at the following values of  $x$ .

i.  $x = 0$

**Ans:** Let  $p(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$

We will simply put the value of  $x$  in the given polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow p(0) = 5(0) - 4(0^2) + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p(0) = 3$$

Hence, the value of the polynomial at  $x = 0$  is 3.

ii.  $x = -1$

**Ans:** Let  $p(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$

We will simply put the value of  $x$  in the given polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow p(-1) = 5(-1) - 4[(-1)^2] + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p(-1) = -5 - 4 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p(-1) = -6$$

Hence, the value of the polynomial at  $x = -1$  is -6.

**iii.  $x = 2$**

**Ans:** Let  $p(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$

We will simply put the value of  $x$  in the given polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 5(2) - 4(2^2) + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 10 - 16 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = -3$$

Hence, the value of the polynomial at  $x = 2$  is  $-3$ .

**2. Find  $p(0)$ ,  $p(1)$  and  $p(2)$  for each of the following polynomials:**

**i.  $p(y) = y^2 - y + 1$**

- $p(0) = 0^2 - 0 + 1.$

So, we get the value of  $p(0) = 1.$

- $p(1) = 1^2 - 1 + 1 = 1$

So, we get the value of  $p(1) = 1.$

- $p(2) = 2^2 - 2 + 1$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 4 - 2 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 3$$

So, we get the value of  $p(2) = 3.$

**ii.  $p(t) = 2 + t + 2t^2 - t^3$**

- $p(0) = 2 + 0 + 2(0^2) - (0^3) = 2$

So, we get the value of  $p(0) = 2$ .

- $p(1) = 2 + 1 + 2(1^2) - (1^3) = 4$

So, we get the value of  $p(1) = 4$ .

- $p(2) = 2 + 2 + 2(2^2) - (2^3)$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 4 + 8 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = 4$$

So, we get the value of  $p(2) = 4$ .

**iii.  $p(x) = x^3$**

- $p(0) = 0^3 = 0$

So, we get the value of  $p(0) = 0$ .

- $p(1) = 1^3 = 1$

So, we get the value of  $p(1) = 1$ .

- $p(2) = 2^3 = 8$

So, we get the value of  $p(2) = 8$ .

**iv.  $p(x) = (x - 1)(x + 1)$**

- $p(0) = (0 - 1)(0 + 1) = -1$

So, we get the value of  $p(0) = -1$ .

- $p(1) = (1 - 1)(1 + 1) = 0$

So, we get the value of  $p(1) = 0$ .

- $p(2) = (2 - 1)(2 + 1)$

$$\Rightarrow p(2) = (1)(3) = 3$$

So, we get the value of  $p(2) = 3$ .

**3. Verify whether the following are zeroes of the polynomial, indicated against them.**

**i.  $p(x) = 3x + 1$ ,  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$**

**Ans:** We are given  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$ . If it is the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x + 1$ , then

$p\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$  should be 0.

$$p\left(0\frac{1}{3}\right) = 3\left(0\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1 = -1 + 1 = 0$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

**ii.  $p(x) = 5x - \pi$ ,  $x = \frac{4}{5}$**

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = \frac{4}{5}$ . If it is the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 5x - \pi$ , then

$p\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$  should be 0.

$$p\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - 3.14 = 4 - 3.14 \neq 0$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = \frac{4}{5}$  is not a zero of the given polynomial.

**iii.  $p(x) = x^2 - 1, x = 1, -1$**

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = 1$  and  $x = -1$ .

If they are zeros of polynomial  $p(x) = x^2 - 1$ , then  $p(1)$  and  $p(-1)$  should both be 0.

$$p(1) = (1)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$p(-1) = (-1)^2 - 1 = 0$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = 1$  and  $x = -1$  are zeroes of the given polynomial.

**iv.  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2), x = -1, 2$**

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = -1$  and  $x = 2$ .

If they are zeroes of the polynomial  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2)$ , then  $p(-1)$  and  $p(2)$  should be 0.

$$p(-1) = (-1+1)(-1-2) = (0)(-3) = 0$$

$$p(2) = (2+1)(2-2) = (3)(0) = 0$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = -1$  and  $x = 2$  are zeroes of the given polynomial.

**v.  $p(x) = x^2, x = 0$**

**Ans:** We are given  $x = 0$ .

If it is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = x^2$ , then  $p(0)$  should be 0.

$$p(0) = (0)^2 = 0$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = 0$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

vi.  $p(x) = lx + m, x = -\frac{m}{l}$

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = -\frac{m}{l}$ .

If it is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = lx + m$ , then  $p\left(-\frac{m}{l}\right)$  should be 0.

Here,  $p\left(-\frac{m}{l}\right) = l\left(-\frac{m}{l}\right) + m = -m + m = 0$

Hence, we can say that  $x = -\frac{m}{l}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

vii.  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1, x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  and  $x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ .

If they are zeroes of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ , then  $p\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  and  $p\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  should be 0.

$$p\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 3\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 = 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$p\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 3\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 = 3\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

Hence, we can say that  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

However, the value of  $x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$  is not a zero of the given polynomial.

viii.  $p(x) = 2x+1, x = \frac{1}{2}$

**Ans:** We are given:  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ .

If it is a zero of polynomial  $p(x) = 2x+1$ , then  $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  should be 0

Here,  $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 1 + 1 = 2$ .

So, we get the value  $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \neq 0$ .

Hence, we can say that  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  is not a zero of the given polynomial.

**4. Find the zero of the polynomial in each of the following cases:**

i.  $p(x) = x+5$

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x+5 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = -5$

Therefore,  $x = -5$  is a zero of the polynomial.

ii.  $p(x) = x-5$

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x-5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

Therefore,  $x = 5$  is a zero of the polynomial.

**iii.  $p(x) = 2x+5$**

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

Therefore,  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

**iv.  $p(x) = 3x-2$**

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3x-2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore,  $x = \frac{2}{3}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

**v.  $p(x) = 3x$**

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .



Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0$$

Therefore,  $x = 0$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

**vi.  $p(x) = ax, a \neq 0$**

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow ax = 0$$

It is also given that  $a$  is non-zero. This is a required condition because if  $a$  is zero, then the polynomial would not have existed.

$$\Rightarrow x = 0$$

Therefore,  $x = 0$  is a zero of the given polynomial.

**vii.  $p(x) = cx + d, c \neq 0, c, d$  are real numbers.**

**Ans:** If  $x$  is zero of the polynomial, then we can say that  $p(x) = 0$ .

Let  $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow cx + d = 0$$

It is also given that  $c$  is non-zero. This is a required condition because if  $c$  is zero, then the polynomial would not have existed. So, with this only exception,  $c$  and  $d$  can take any real values.

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{d}{c}$$

Therefore,  $x = -\frac{d}{c}$  is a zero of the given polynomial.