Key points • When you expand one set of brackets you must multiply everything inside the bracket by what is outside. • When you expand two linear expressions, each with two terms of the form ax + b, where a  $\neq 0$  and b  $\neq 0$ , you create four terms. Two of these can usually be simplified by collecting like terms. Examples Example 1 Example 2 Expand 4(3x-2) 4(3x-2) = 12x-8 Expand and simplify 3(x+5)-4(2x+3) 3(x+5)-4(2x+3) = 3x+15-8x-12 = 3-5x Multiply everything inside the bracket by the 4 outside the bracket