ALGEBRA 4

Day 45

Bell Work: $f(x) = 2x^2 + 12x - 31x^2 - 8 - 3x^4$

- Standard Form:
- Lead Coefficient:
- **■** Constant:
- Degree:
- End Behavior:

From Last Time

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***For 9–27 and 43 change directions to:

Write in Standard Form, Identify the Degree, Lead Coefficient, Constant, and End Behavior

5.2 Polynomials, Linear Factors, and Zeros

■ Objective:

- To Analyze the Factored form of a Polynomial.
- To write a Polynomial function from its Zeros.

Given a polynomial P(x)...

If we are told that (x-b) is a linear factor of P(x), we know:

■ b is a zero of the polynomial function P(x)

■ b is a root (solution, zero) of the polynomial equation P(x)=0

 \blacksquare b is an x-intercept of the graph of P(x)

What the heck did that mean?!

Think back to factoring: $x^2 + 2x - 15 = (x + 5)(x - 3)$

Since (x+5)(x-3) are factors then we know the roots can be found at: $x+5=0 \rightarrow x=-5$ and $x-3=0 \rightarrow x=3$

These -5 and 3 values are the b that was mentioned on the previous slide.

Expand this concept...

$$(x+4)(x-5)(x-1) = 0$$

Do we know the roots before graphing?

Graph it... did it touch the x-axis where you expected it to?

Go Deeper... Split it up!

$$(x + 4) = 0$$
 $(x - 5) = 0$ $(x - 1) = 0$

If you graph all 3 of these where do the 3 lines touch? Graph (x + 4)(x - 5)(x - 1) at the same time. Why does this happen?

How would it change if we were asked to solve:

$$x(x+4)(x-5)(x-1)(x+2) = 0$$
? Why?

(If needed: Split it up and graph the factors individually)

Writing a Polynomial in Factored Form: $x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x$

■ Hint: Find the GCF

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$$x(x^2 + 5x + 6)$$
 \rightarrow Factor out GCF (Graph at this stage)

$$x(x+3)(x+2)$$
 \rightarrow Factor using method from before... what multiplies to c and adds to b

How could we have used the roots of the original graph to help us factor?

Thinking ahead... (more for next time than this time)

- We could take this a step further, if we we're going to solve this instead of just factor we'd simply apply the Zero Product Property. Since our degree is 3 we know we'd have 3 solutions/zeros/roots. We set each piece equal to zero and solve.
- Do the roots match the factored form?
- Therefore, x = 0, x = -3 and x = -2.

<u>Using Zeros to Write Polynomial Functions</u> If k is a zero, then we know x – k is a factor.

For Example...

If we know a, b, and -c are the zeros, then:

$$f(x) = (x - a)(x - b)(x + c)$$

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Zeros at: 2, -1, 4

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$$(x-2)(x+1)(x-4) \leftarrow$$
 at least get here today $(x^2-x-2)(x-4)$

$$(x^3 - 5x^2 + 2x + 8) \leftarrow$$
 this is the ultimate goal though

Note: The complex zeros of a polynomial function with real coefficients always occur in complex conjugate pairs

If a + bi is a zero, then a - bi must also be a zero.

Example: Identify all roots:

1.) If 4, -3, and -5i are roots?

2.) If 6, 4 + 3i are roots?

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Example: Identify all roots:

1.) If 4, -3, and -5i are roots? 5i is also a root

2.) If 6, 4 + 3i are roots? **4 – 3i is also a root**

For Next Time

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