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## 1 algebra

### 1.1 wallace

#### 1.1.1 distributive property

$$a(b + c) = ac + bc$$

#### 1.1.2 slope

$$m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

#### 1.1.3 properties of exponents

$$a^m a^n = a^{m+n} \quad (ab)^m = a^m b^m \quad \frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m} \quad a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m} \quad \frac{1}{a^{-m}} = a^m$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn} \quad a^0 = 1 \quad \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-m} = \frac{b^m}{a^m}$$

#### 1.1.4 scientific notation

$$a \times 10^b \text{ where } 1 \leq a < 10$$

### 1.1.5 ways to factor

- GCF
- Grouping
- Trinomials where  $a = 1$ 
  - multiply to  $a \times c$
  - add to  $b$
- Trinomials where  $a \neq 1$
- Factoring Special Products

### 1.1.6 factoring special products

difference of square  $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$

sum of squares  $a^2 + b^2 = \text{Prime}$

perfect square  $a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = (a + b)^2$

sum of cubes  $a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$

difference of cubes  $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$

### 1.1.7 factoring strategy

- **GCF FIRST**
- **2 terms:** sum of diffs of squares or cubes
- **3 terms:** ac method, watch for perfect squares
- **4 terms:** grouping

### 1.1.8 cross product

$$\text{if } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}, \text{ then } ad = bc$$

### 1.1.9 definition of radicals

$$\sqrt[m]{a} = b, \text{ if } b^m = a$$

### 1.1.10 properties of radicals

$$a^m a^n = a^{m+n} \quad (ab)^m = a^m b^m \quad a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$$

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n} \quad \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m} \quad \frac{1}{a^{-m}} = a^m$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn} \quad a^0 = 1 \quad \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-m} = \frac{b^m}{a^m}$$

### 1.1.11 radicals of mixed index

to be completed

## 2 geometry