

# Polynomial and Complex Number Practice (Algebra II)

## Instructions

Solve each problem. Show clear work. Aim to finish in 60 minutes or less. When applicable, leave answers in simplest exact form (no rounded decimals).

## Problems

1. List all possible rational roots of  $f(x) = 6x^3 - x^2 - 25x + 10$ .
2. Find every rational zero of  $g(x) = 2x^3 - 7x^2 - 8x + 24$  and factor  $g(x)$  completely over the reals.
3. Factor  $h(x) = x^4 - 8x^2 + 16$  completely over the reals.
4. Divide  $4x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 5x + 11$  by  $x - 3$ , and write the result in the form (quotient) + (remainder)/(divisor).
5. Given  $p(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 3x^2 + 55x - 52$  has a root at  $x = 2 - 3i$ , find all remaining roots and express  $p(x)$  as a product of two real quadratic factors.
6. Simplify  $\frac{5 - 7i}{-2 + 3i}$  into  $a + bi$  form.
7. For  $y = -3x^2 + 18x + 41$ , find the vertex, classify it as a maximum or minimum, and state that extreme value.
8. Factor  $q(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 22x - 24$  completely over the rationals.
9. Determine whether  $(x - 3)$  is a factor of  $r(x) = 2x^4 - 13x^3 + 26x^2 - 3x - 36$ . If it is, divide to factor once; if not, give the remainder.
10. For  $s(x) = 5x^3 - 9x^2 - 11x + 18$ , (a) list possible rational roots, (b) find one actual rational root, (c) use it to factor  $s(x)$  completely over the reals.
11. A theater charges \$42 per ticket and sells 180 tickets. For each \$3.50 decrease in price, it sells 30 more tickets. (a) Write revenue  $R(p)$  as a function of ticket price  $p$ . (b) Find the price that maximizes revenue and the corresponding maximum revenue.
12. (a) Divide  $x^4 - 5x^3 + 6x^2 + 9x - 18$  by  $x + 1$ . (b) Using the result, factor the polynomial completely over the reals if possible. (c) State all real and complex roots in  $a + bi$  form.