

## Daring to Divide

Use the Remainder Theorem to determine if the given polynomial is divisible by the binomial (with no remainder). If there is no remainder, then divide to find the quotient.

1)

$$\frac{6x^3 - 10x^2 + 4x - 14}{x - 2}$$

$$x = 2 \quad 6(2)^3 - 10(2)^2 + 4(2) - 14 = 2$$

Remainder of 2.

$$3) \frac{7x^3 - 11x^2 - 3x - 6}{x - 2}$$

$$x = 2 \quad 7(2)^3 - 11(2)^2 - 3(2) - 6 \\ = 0$$

$$x - 2 \overline{) 7x^3 - 11x^2 - 3x - 6} \\ - (7x^3 - 14x^2) \downarrow \\ 3x^2 - 3x \downarrow \\ - (3x^2 - 6x) \downarrow \\ 3x - 6 \\ - (3x - 6) \downarrow \\ 0$$

$$= 7x^2 + 3x + 3$$

$$2) \frac{x^3 + 10x^2 + 24x + 66}{x + 8}$$

$$x = -8 \quad (-8)^3 + 10(-8)^2 + 24(-8) + 66 \\ = 2$$

Remainder of 2.

$$4) \frac{8x^3 - 21x^2 + 7x + 6}{x - 2}$$

$$x = 2 \quad 8(2)^3 - 21(2)^2 + 7(2) + 6 \\ = 0$$

$$x - 2 \overline{) 8x^3 - 21x^2 + 7x + 6} \\ - (8x^3 - 16x^2) \downarrow \\ - 5x^2 + 7x \downarrow \\ - (-5x^2 + 10x) \downarrow \\ - 3x + 6 \\ - (-3x + 6) \downarrow \\ 0$$

$$= 8x^2 - 5x - 3$$

Completely factor the following polynomials. One rational zero has been given. Find all real solutions where  $f(x) = 0$ .

5)  $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18; f(-3) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x - 6 \\ \hline x+3 | x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18 \\ -(x^3 + 3x^2) \downarrow \\ x^2 - 3x \\ -(x^2 + 3x) \downarrow \\ -6x - 18 \\ -(-6x - 18) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x+3)(x^2 + x - 6)$$

$$(x+3)(x+3)(x-2) = f(x)$$

$$x = -3, x = 2$$

7)  $f(x) = x^5 + 5x^4 - 12x^3 - 60x^2 + 36x + 180; f(-5) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^4 - 12x^2 + 36 \\ \hline x+5 | x^5 + 5x^4 - 12x^3 - 60x^2 + 36x + 180 \\ -(x^5 + 5x^4) \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \\ 0 \quad -12x^3 - 60x^2 \\ -(-12x^3 - 60x^2) \downarrow \downarrow \\ 0 \quad 36x + 180 \\ -(36x + 180) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x+5)(x^4 - 12x^2 + 36)$$

$$f(x) = (x+5)(x^2 - 6)(x^2 - 6) \text{ or } f(x) = (x+5)(x^2 - 6)^2$$

$$x = -5, x = \pm\sqrt{6}$$

Double roots

6)  $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 17x^2 - 15x; f(5) = 0$

$$= x(x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 4x + 3 \\ \hline x-5 | x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15 \\ -(x^3 - 5x^2) \downarrow \\ 4x^2 - 17x \\ -(4x^2 - 20x) \downarrow \\ 3x - 15 \\ -(3x - 15) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$x(x-5)(x^2 + 4x + 3)$$

$$x(x-5)(x+1)(x+3) = f(x)$$

$$x = 0, x = 5, x = -1, x = -3$$

$$8) f(x) = 9x^5 - 6x^4 - 60x^3 + 40x^2 + 36x - 24; f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$$

Do not use  $(x - \frac{2}{3})$  as a factor.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^4 - 20x^2 + 12 \\ \hline 3x - 2 \Big| 9x^5 - 6x^4 - 60x^3 + 40x^2 + 36x - 24 \\ -(9x^5 - 6x^4) \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad | \\ 0 \quad -60x^3 + 40x^2 \quad | \\ -(60x^3 + 40x^2) \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \quad 36x - 24 \\ -(36x - 24) \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$(3x-2)(3x^4 - 20x^2 + 12)$$

$$f(x) = (3x+2)(3x^4 - 20x^2 + 12)$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}, x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, x = \pm\sqrt{6}$$

My preference.

$$9) f(x) = -3x^4 - 5x^3 + 24x + 40; f\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right) = 0 \longrightarrow -1(3x^4 + 5x^3 - 24x - 40)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 - 8 \\ \hline 3x + 5 \Big| 3x^4 + 5x^3 - 24x - 40 \\ -(3x^4 + 5x^3) \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \quad -24x - 40 \\ -(-24x - 40) \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$-(3x+5)(x^3 - 8)$$

$$f(x) = -(3x+5)(x-2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{3}, x = 2$$

$$10) f(x) = 6x^5 + 30x^4 - 8x^3 - 40x^2 + 2x + 10; f(-5) = 0$$

$$f(x) = 2(3x^5 + 15x^4 - 4x^3 - 20x^2 + x + 5)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^4 - 4x^2 + 1 \\ \hline x+5 \left| \begin{array}{r} 3x^5 + 15x^4 - 4x^3 - 20x^2 + x + 5 \\ -(3x^5 + 15x^4) \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad | \\ \hline 0 \quad -4x^3 - 20x^2 \\ -(-4x^3 - 20x^2) \quad \downarrow \\ \hline 0 \quad x+5 \\ -(x+5) \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

$$2(x+5)(3x^4 - 4x^2 + 1)$$

$$2(x+5)(3x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 1)$$

$$f(x) = 2(x+5)(3x^2 - 1)(x+1)(x-1)$$

$$x = -5, x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}, x = -1, x = 1$$