## MA90 Exercises for section 6.1 Factoring the GCF and Factoring by Grouping

**Short Answer** 

1. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

28x + 21

2. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

9x - 18y

3. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

 $8a^2 - 8a - 88$ 

4. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

 $15a^2 - 75a^3$ 

5. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

$$36x^2y - 32xy^2$$

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6. Factor the expression by taking out the greatest common factor.

$$7x^3 + 28x^2 - 35x$$

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7. Factor by grouping.

$$xy + 9x + 5y + 45$$

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8. Factor by grouping.

$$ab + 7a - 5b - 35$$

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9. Factor by grouping.

$$4ax + 12x - 7a - 21$$

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10. Factor by grouping.

$$6xb - 7b - 24x + 28$$

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11. Factor by grouping.

$$b^2 - xb - ab + xa$$

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12. Factor the polynomial by grouping the terms together two at a time.

$$21x^2 + 9x + 49x + 21$$

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13. Factor the polynomial by grouping the terms together two at a time.

$$x^3 - 3x^2 - 7x + 21$$

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14. Factor the polynomial by grouping the terms together two at a time.

$$56x^3 - 49x^2 + 16x - 14$$

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## **SHORT ANSWER**

- 1. ANS:
  - 7(4x+3)
  - **PTS**: 1
- 2. ANS:
  - 9(x-2y)
  - PTS: 1
- 3. ANS:
  - $8(a^2-a-11)$
  - PTS: 1
- 4. ANS:
  - $15a^2 \cdot (1 5a)$
  - PTS: 1
- 5. ANS:
  - $4x \cdot y \cdot (9x 8y)$ 
    - PTS: 1
- 6. ANS:

$$7x \cdot \left(x^2 + 4x - 5\right)$$

- PTS: 1
- 7. ANS:

$$(x+5)\cdot(y+9)$$

- **PTS**: 1
- 8. ANS:

$$(a-5)\cdot(7+b)$$

- PTS: 1
- 9. ANS:

$$(4x-7) \cdot (a+3)$$

PTS: 1

10. ANS:

$$(b-4)\cdot(6x-7)$$

- **PTS**: 1
- 11. ANS:

$$(b-a)\cdot(b-x)$$

- **PTS**: 1
- 12. ANS:

$$(3x+7)\cdot(7x+3)$$

- **PTS**: 1
- 13. ANS:

$$(x-3)\cdot\left(x^2-7\right)$$

- **PTS**: 1
- 14. ANS:

$$(8x-7)\cdot\left(7x^2+2\right)$$

PTS: 1