

**Unit 2 Pre-Test Review – Factor Theorem and Inequalities**

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**Section 1: 2.1 - Long and Synthetic Division / Remainder Theorem**

**1)** What is the remainder when  $x^4 - 4x^2 - 2x + 3$  is divided by  $x + 1$ ? Do not divide. Support your answer with an explanation.

**2)** Is  $x - 3$  a factor of the polynomial  $3x^2 - 8x - 3$ ? Do not divide. Support your answer with an explanation.

**3)** Divide  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  and state the answer in quotient form. Use synthetic division where possible.

**a)**  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 - 2x + 3, g(x) = x - 2$     **b)**  $f(x) = x^5 - x^4 + 2x^3 + 3x - 2, g(x) = x^2 + 2$

**4)** Perform each division. Express the answer in quotient form and write the statement that could be used to check the division.

**a)**  $x^3 + 9x^2 - 5x + 3$  divided by  $x - 2$

**b)**  $12x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 11$  divided by  $3x + 1$

**c)**  $-8x^4 - 4x + 10x^3 - x^2 + 15$  divided by  $2x - 1$

**d)**  $x^3 + 4x^2 - 3$  divided by  $x - 2$

**5)** Determine the value of  $k$  such that when  $f(x) = x^4 + kx^3 - 3x - 5$  is divided by  $x - 3$ , the remainder is  $-10$ .

### **Section 2: 2.2 – Factor Theorem**

**6)** Suppose the cubic polynomial  $8x^3 + mx^2 + nx - 6$  has both  $2x + 3$  and  $x - 1$  as factors. Find  $m$  and  $n$ . Do not divide.

**7)** Factor each of the following

**a)**  $x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6$

**b)**  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 26x - 8$

c)  $-4x^3 - 4x^2 + 16x + 16$

d)  $x^3 - 64$

**Section 3: 2.3&2.6 – Factoring to Solve Equations and Inequalities**

8) Determine the real roots of each equation.

a)  $(5x^2 + 20)(3x^2 - 48) = 0$

b)  $(2x^2 - x - 13)(x^2 + 1) = 0$

**9)** Solve the following polynomial equations.

**a)**  $2x^3 + 1 = x^2 + 2x$

**b)**  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6 = 0$

**c)**  $x^5 - 4x^3 - x^2 + 4 = 0$

**d)**  $3x^3 + 2x^2 - 11x - 10 = 0$

**10)** Solve the following polynomial inequalities. (Refer to #9 where you factored the polynomials)

a)  $2x^3 + 1 < x^2 + 2x$

b)  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6 > 0$

**11)** Where is the polynomial  $y = 8x^3 + 1$  positive? Justify your solution.

**12)** Solve  $6x^3 + 13x^2 - 41x + 12 \leq 0$  using a sign chart.

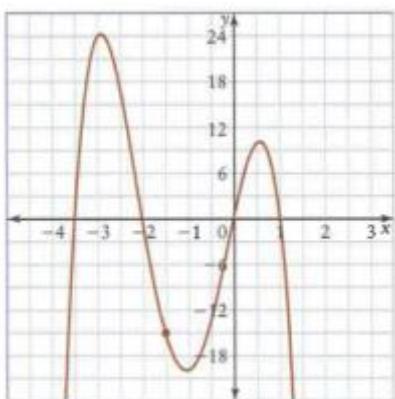
#### Section 4: 2.4 – Families of Polynomials

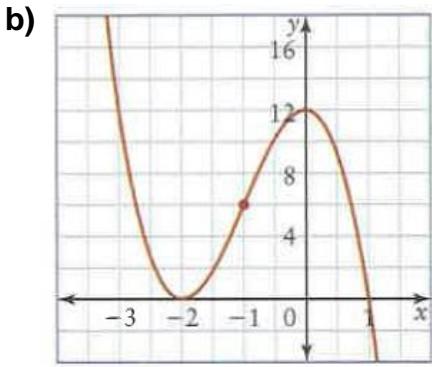
13) Find the equation for the family of quartic polynomials that have real roots of 3 (order 2) and  $2 \pm \sqrt{2}$ .

14) A family of cubic polynomials has roots of -2, -3 and -5. Find the member of this family that passes through the point (2,-35). What is this polynomial's y-intercept?

15) Find an equation for each of the following functions

a)





## ANSWER KEY

1)  $P(-1) = 2$  = remainder . This was found using remainder theorem.

2)  $P(3) = 0$ , so  $x - 3$  is a factor because remainder is 0 (Factor Theorem)

3)a)  $\frac{x^4 - 4x^2 - 2x + 3}{x-2} = x^3 + 2x^2 - 2 - \frac{1}{x-2}$     b)  $\frac{x^5 - x^4 + 2x^3 + 3x - 2}{x^2 + 2} = x^3 - x^2 + 2 + \frac{3x - 6}{x^2 + 2}$

4)a)  $\frac{x^3 + 9x^2 - 5x + 3}{x-2} = x^2 + 11x + 17 + \frac{37}{x-2}$ ;  $x^3 + 9x^2 - 5x + 3 = (x-2)(x^2 + 11x + 17) + 37$

b)  $\frac{12x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 11}{3x+1} = 4x^2 - 2x + 1 - \frac{12}{3x+1}$ ;  $12x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 11 = (3x+1)(4x^2 - 2x + 1) - 12$

c)  $\frac{-8x^4 - 4x + 10x^3 - x^2 + 15}{2x-1} = -4x^3 + 3x^2 + x - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2(2x-1)}$ ;  $-8x^4 - 4x + 10x^3 - x^2 + 15 = (2x-1)\left(-4x^3 + 3x^2 + x - \frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{27}{2}$

d)  $\frac{x^3 + 4x^2 - 3}{x-2} = x^2 + 6x + 12 + \frac{21}{x-2}$ ;  $x^3 + 4x^2 - 3 = (x-2)(x^2 + 6x + 12) + 21$

5)  $k = -\frac{77}{27}$

6)  $m = 8$  ,  $n = -10$

7)a)  $(x+1)(x-3)(x-2)$     b)  $(x+2)(3x+1)(x-4)$     c)  $-4(x+1)(x+2)(x-2)$     d)  $(x-4)(x^2 + 4x + 16)$

8)a)  $(-4, 0)$  and  $(4, 0)$     b)  $\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{105}}{4}, 0\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{105}}{4}, 0\right)$

9) a)  $x = -1, 1, \frac{1}{2}$     b)  $x = -1, -2, -3$     c)  $x = 1, -2, 2$     d)  $x = -1, -\frac{5}{3}, 2$

10)a)  $x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0.5, 1)$     b)  $x \in (-3, -2) \cup (-1, \infty)$

11)  $x \in \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$

12)  $x \in (-\infty, -4] \cup \left[\frac{1}{3}, 2\right]$

13)  $P(x) = k(x-3)^2(x^2 - 4x + 2)$

14)  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x+2)(x+3)(x+5)$ , y-int is  $\left(0, -\frac{15}{2}\right)$

15)a)  $P(x) = -2x(x-1)(x+2)(2x+7)$     b)  $P(x) = -3(x+2)^2(x-1)$