

Expression Switch Up

Show the same relationship in a clearer form.

GRADE 7 • 7.PAR.2.2

7.PAR.2.2 "Rewrite an expression in different forms from a contextual problem to clarify the problem and show how the quantities in it are related."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CHOOSE A CLEAR FORM

You can rewrite an expression by distributing a factor, combining like terms, or factoring out a common factor. Equivalent forms have the same value for every x , but one form may show equal groups while another shows separate totals. Choose the form that makes the quantities easier to understand.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Rewrite $13(x + 8)$ without parentheses.

1. Multiply 13 by x and by 8.
2. $13(x + 8) = 13x + 13(8)$.
3. $13(8) = 104$.

Answer: $13x + 104$

PRACTICE 6 problems

1 Rewrite $6(x + 4)$ without parentheses.

ANSWER _____

2 Rewrite $9(2x - 5)$ without parentheses.

ANSWER _____

3 Combine like terms: $7x + 3x + 11$.

ANSWER _____

4 Factor out the greatest common factor from $14x + 21$.

ANSWER _____

5 Rewrite $4(x + 3) + 5x$ in simplest form.

ANSWER _____

6 Factor out the greatest common factor from $12x - 30$.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A music app charges \$5 each month and \$2 for each song pack. For 6 months, you buy x song packs each month. The total cost is $6(5 + 2x)$. Rewrite the expression to show the separate total for the monthly charge and the song packs.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A robotics club has x members. Each member needs 9 LEDs, and the club also buys 3 backup sets of 4 LEDs. The total number of LEDs is $9x + 3(4)$. Rewrite the expression in simplest form.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

A coding club has 6 students. Each student buys a \$4 entry badge and pays \$3 for each of x workshops. The total cost is $6(4 + 3x)$. Rewrite the expression. Then explain what each term means in your rewritten form.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Rewrite $6(x + 4)$ without parentheses.	$6x + 24$
2	Rewrite $9(2x - 5)$ without parentheses.	$18x - 45$
3	Combine like terms: $7x + 3x + 11$.	$10x + 11$
4	Factor out the greatest common factor from $14x + 21$.	$7(2x + 3)$
5	Rewrite $4(x + 3) + 5x$ in simplest form.	$9x + 12$
6	Factor out the greatest common factor from $12x - 30$.	$6(2x - 5)$

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. **$30 + 12x$** Distribute 6 to both terms. The monthly charges total 30, and the song packs cost $12x$.
2. **$9x + 12$** Multiply 3 by 4 to find the number of backup LEDs. Then add that constant total to $9x$.

CHALLENGE

$24 + 18x$. The 24 is the cost of 6 entry badges, and $18x$ is the total cost of x workshops for 6 students at \$3 per workshop.

Accept terms written in a different order, such as $12x + 30$. For factoring items, accept only equivalent factored forms that use the greatest common factor requested.