

## Expansion of Two Brackets

### Starter

1. (Review of last lesson)

Expand and simplify: (a)  $2(8x - 7) + 5(4 - 9x)$  (b)  $6(3x - 10) - (11x - 3)$

**Working:** (a)  $2(8x - 7) + 5(4 - 9x) = 16x - 14 + 20 - 45x = 6 - 29x$

(b)  $6(3x - 10) - (11x - 3) = 18x - 60 - 11x + 3 = 7x - 57$

2.\* What do you think the answer would be if we expanded these brackets?

(a)  $(a + b)(c + d)$  (b)  $(x + 2)(x + 3)$

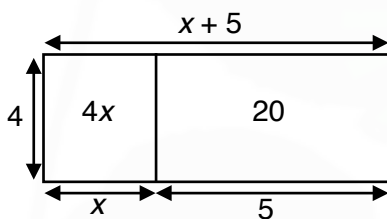
**N.B.** See below for the explanation.

**Working:** (a)  $(a + b)(c + d) = ab + ad + bc + bd$

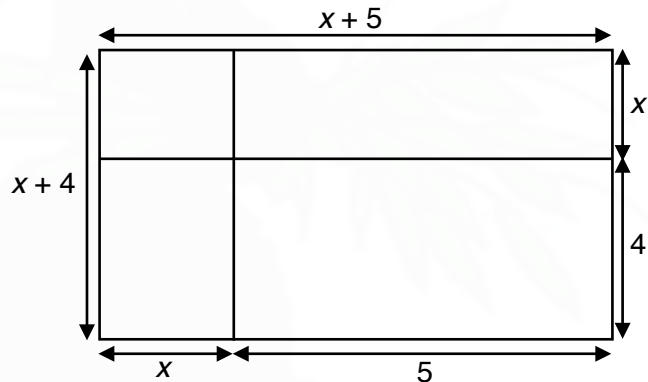
(b)  $(x + 2)(x + 3) = x^2 + 2x + 3x + 6 = x^2 + 5x + 6$

- E.g. 1** (a) Copy the diagrams.  
 (b) By comparing diagram A with diagram B, fill in expressions or numbers for the 4 areas of diagram B.  
 (c) Hence write down the expansion of  $(x + 4)(x + 5)$ .  
 (d) Collect any terms from your answer to (b).

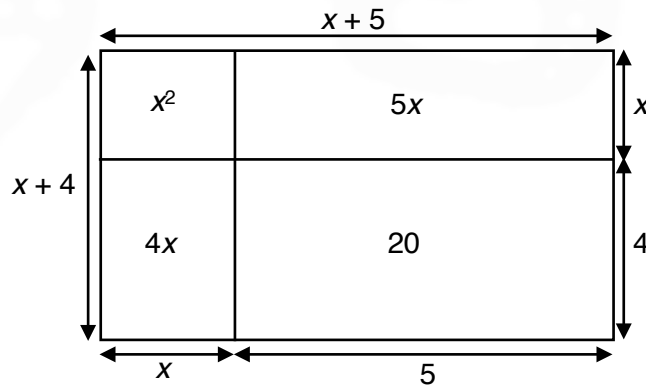
### A. Expansion of $4(x + 5)$



### B. Expansion of $(x + 4)(x + 5)$



**Working:** (b)



(c)  $(x + 4)(x + 5) = x^2 + 5x + 4x + 20$

(d)  $(x + 4)(x + 5) = x^2 + 9x + 20$

**E.g. 2** Expand and simplify: (a)  $(x + 3)(x + 7)$  (b)  $(2n + 3)(n + 5)$   
(c)  $(n + 4)(n - 2)$  (d)  $(2x + 1)(3x + 7)$

**Working:** (a)  $(x + 3)(x + 7) = x^2 + 7x + 3x + 21 = x^2 + 10x + 21$   
(b)  $(2n + 3)(n + 5) = 2n^2 + 10n + 3n + 15 = 2n^2 + 13n + 15$   
(c)  $(n + 4)(n - 2) = n^2 - 2n + 4n - 8 = n^2 + 2n - 8$   
(d)  $(2x + 1)(3x + 7) = 6x^2 + 14x + 3x + 7 = 6x^2 + 17x + 7$

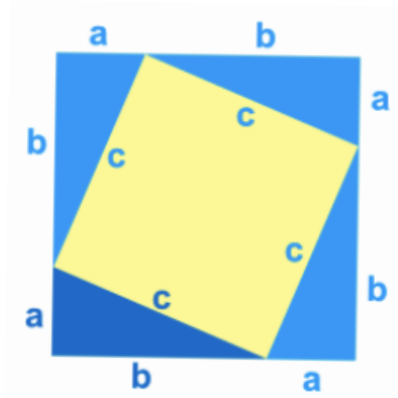
**E.g. 3** Expand and simplify: (a)  $(x + 5)^2$  (b)  $(x - 3)^2$  (c)  $(3x - 7)^2$

**Working:** (a)  $(x + 5)^2 = (x + 5)(x + 5)$   
 $= x^2 + 5x + 5x + 25$   
 $= x^2 + 10x + 25$   
(b)  $(x - 3)^2 = (x - 3)(x - 3)$   
 $= x^2 - 3x - 3x + 9$   
 $= x^2 - 6x + 9$   
(c)  $(3x - 7)^2 = (3x - 7)(3x - 7)$   
 $= 9x^2 - 21x - 21x + 49$   
 $= 9x^2 - 42x + 49$

**E.g. 4** Expand and simplify: (a)  $(x + 8)(x - 8)$  (b)  $(4x - 9)(4x + 9)$

**Working:** (a)  $(x + 8)(x - 8) = x^2 - 8x + 8x - 64 = x^2 - 64$   
(b)  $(4x - 9)(4x + 9) = 16x^2 + 36x - 36x - 81 = 16x^2 - 81$

**E.g. 5** Use the following diagram to prove Pythagoras Theorem.



**Working:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of big square} &= (a + b)^2 \\ &= (a + b)(a + b) \\ &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area of yellow square} = c^2$$

$$\text{Area of each triangle} = \frac{a \times b}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area of the 4 triangles} &= 4 \times \frac{ab}{2} \\ &= 2ab\end{aligned}$$

Area of big square = Area of yellow square + Area of 4 triangles

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = c^2 + 2ab$$

Cancelling  $2ab$  from both sides gives Pythagoras' Theorem:  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

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### Exercise

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