

1. Evaluate;

(i)  $(23 - 15) + 4$   
 $= 8 + 4 = 12$

(ii)  $5x + (3x + 7x)$   
 $= 5x + 10x$   
 $= 15x$

(iii)  $6m - (-4m - m)$   
 $= 6m - 3m$   
 $= 3m$

(iv)  $(9a - 3a) + 4a$   
 $= 6a + 4a$   
 $= 10a$

(v)  $35b - (16b + 9b)$   
 $= 35b - 25b$   
 $= 10b$

(vi)  $(2y + 8y) - 5y$   
 $= 11y - 5y$   
 $= 6y$

2. Simplify.

(i)  $12x - (5x + 2x)$   
 $= 12x - 7x$   
 $= 5x$

(ii)  $10m + (4n - 3n) - 5n$   
 $= 10m + n - 5n$   
 $= 10m + (-4n)$   
 $= 10m - 4n$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & (15b - 6b) - (2b + 4b) \\ & = 9b - 12b \\ & = -3b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad & -(-4a - 8a) \\ & = -(12a) = 12a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad & x - (x + y) - (-x + y) \\ & = x - x - y + y - y = -y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} \quad & p + (-q - r - s) - (p - q - r) \\ & = p - q - r - s - p + q + r \\ & = p - p - q + q - r + r - s \\ & = -s \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vii)} \quad & (a + b) - (c + d) - (e - f) \\ & = a + b - c - d - e + f \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(viii)} \quad & 3x + (8x - 5x) - (7x - x) \\ & = 3x + 3x - 6x \\ & = 6x - 6x \\ & = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ix)} \quad & a - (a - b - c) \\ & = a - a + b + c \\ & = b + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(x)} \quad & 6a^2 + (2a^2 - a^2) - (a^2 - b^2) \\ & = 6a^2 + a^2 - a^2 + b^2 \\ & = 6a^2 + b^2 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vi)} \quad 3m &= (2m) + 2n - 4n \\
 &= 2m + 2n - 4n \\
 &= 2m - 2n \\
 &= 2(m - n) \\
 &= 2m - 4n \\
 &= 2m - 2n - 2n \\
 &= 2m - 2n - 2n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vii)} \quad m - n &= (m) - m \\
 &= m - n + m - m \\
 &= m - n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(viii)} \quad x + y &= (x + y - x) \\
 &= x + y - (x + y - x) \\
 &= x + y - x - y + x \\
 &= x - x + x + y - y \\
 &= x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ix)} \quad 25y &= (5x - 10y) + (6x - 3y) \\
 &= 25y - 5x + 10y - 6x + 3y \\
 &= 25y + 10y + 3y - 5x - 6x \\
 &= 38y - 11x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(x)} \quad 3x + (2x - x + 2) \\
 &= 3x + 2x - x + 2 \\
 &= 3x + 2x - x + 2 \\
 &= 4x + 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xi)} \quad a &= (2a - 4a + 3a) \\
 &= a - (2a + 4a - 3a) \\
 &= a - (2a + 4a - 3a) \\
 &= a - (2a + 4a - 3a) \\
 &= 3a - 2a \\
 &= a
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vii)} \quad & 5x^2 - (3x - x^2 - 4) \\
 &= 5x^2 - (3x - x^2 + 4) \\
 &= 5x^2 - 3x + x^2 - 4 \\
 &= 6x^2 - 3x - 4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(viii)} \quad & -(y-x) - (x+y-2x+y) \\
 &= -(y-x) - (x+y-2x-y) \\
 &= -y+x - x-y+2x+y \\
 &= \cancel{y+y-y} - y - y + x - x + 2x \\
 &= -y + 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad & x - (y-z) + x + (y-z) + y - (z+x) \\
 &= x - y + z + x + y - z + y - z - x \\
 &= \cancel{x+x-x} - x + y + y - y + z - z - z \\
 &= x + y + (-z) \\
 &= x + y - z
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad & x - [y + \{x - y + x\}] \\
 &= x - [y + \{x - y + x\}] \\
 &= x - [y + \{x - y + x\}] \\
 &= x - [y + x - y - x] \\
 &= x - y - x + y + x \\
 &= x - x + x - y + y \\
 &= x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii)} \quad & 4x + 3(2x - 5y) \\
 &= 4x + 6x - 15y \\
 &= 10x - 15y
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} & 2(3a-b) - 5(a-2b) \\ &= 6a - 2b - 5a + 10b \\ &= 6a - 5a + 10b - 2b \\ &= a + 8b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} & p + 2(q-r+p) \\ &= p + 2(q-r+p) \\ &= p + 2q - 2r + 2p \\ &= 2q - 2r + 3p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vii)} & a - \{ - \{ - (a+b-c) \} \} \\ &= a - \{ - \{ - (a+b+c) \} \} \\ &= a - \{ - \{ -a + b + c \} \} \\ &= a - \{ +a - b + c \} \\ &= a - a + b - c \\ &= b - c \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(viii)} & 3x - \{ 5y - \{ 6y + 2(10y-x) \} \} \\ &= 3x - \{ 5y - \{ 6y + 20y - 2x \} \} \\ &= 3x - \{ 5y - \{ 6y + 20y - 2x \} \} \\ &= 3x - \{ 5y - 6y - 20y + 2x \} \\ &= 3x - 5y + 6y + 20y - 2x \\ &= 3x - 2x + 20y + 6y - 5y \\ &= x + 21y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ix)} & 5 \{ a^2 - a(a-a-2) \} \\ &= 5 \{ a^2 - a(a-a+2) \} \\ &= 5 \{ a^2 - a + 2 \} \\ &= 5a^2 - 5a + 10 \end{aligned}$$