

Solutions to Past Paper Questions – Formation and Simplification of Expressions

- 6) (a) y^7
(b) $8x + 17$
(c) (i) $2(2a + 3)$
(ii) $3p(2p - 3q)$

12) (a) $12a^5b^3$ (b) $\frac{125p^9}{q^3}$ (c) $\frac{4t^3}{u}$

11) $8x^2 + 10xy = 2x(4x + 5y)$

18) (a) x^3

19) (a) Area = $\frac{1}{2}(x+3+x+5)(2x+1)$
 $=\frac{1}{2}(2x+8)(2x+1)$
 $=(x+4)(2x+1)$
 $=2x^2+9x+4$

(b) Area of square = $(2x+5)(2x+5) = 4x^2 + 20x + 25$
Shaded area = $4x^2 + 20x + 25 - (2x^2 + 9x + 4) = 2x^2 + 11x + 21$

7) (a) x^5 (b) $2(2x+3)$ (c) x^2+x-6 (d) $2x^5y^6$
(e) $3(a^2-4b^2) = 3(a+2b)(a-2b)$

4) (a) $6x - 3 - 4x + 6 = 2x + 3$
(b) $y(y+1)$

14) $(n+1)^2 - (n-1)^2 = n^2 + 2n + 1 - (n^2 - 2n + 1)$
 $= 4n$

Since n is an integer, $4n$ is a multiple of 4