

**8-7 Study Guide and Intervention****Multiplying Polynomials**

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**Vertical Method**

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The product is  $x^2 - x - 12$ .

**Example 2** Find  $(x - 2)(x + 5)$  using the FOIL method.

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**Exercises**

Find each product.

1.  $(x + 2)(x + 3)$
2.  $(x - 4)(x + 1)$
3.  $(x - 6)(x - 2)$
4.  $(p - 4)(p + 2)$
5.  $(y + 5)(y + 2)$
6.  $(2x - 1)(x + 5)$
7.  $(3n - 4)(3n - 4)$
8.  $(8m - 2)(8m + 2)$
9.  $(k + 4)(5k - 1)$
10.  $(3x + 1)(4x + 3)$
11.  $(x - 8)(-3x + 1)$
12.  $(5t + 4)(2t - 6)$
13.  $(5m - 3n)(4m - 2n)$
14.  $(a - 3b)(2a - 5b)$
15.  $(8x - 5)(8x + 5)$
16.  $(2n - 4)(2n + 5)$
17.  $(4m - 3)(5m - 5)$
18.  $(7g - 4)(7g + 4)$

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 $x^2 - 3x - 4$

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 $x^2 - 8x + 12$

4.  $(p - 4)(p + 2)$   
 $p^2 - 2p - 8$

5.  $(y + 5)(y + 2)$   
 $y^2 + 7y + 10$

6.  $(2x - 1)(x + 5)$   
 $2x^2 + 9x - 5$

7.  $(3n - 4)(3n - 4)$   
 $9n^2 - 24n + 16$

8.  $(8m - 2)(8m + 2)$   
 $64m^2 - 4$

9.  $(k + 4)(5k - 1)$   
 $5k^2 + 19k - 4$

10.  $(3x + 1)(4x + 3)$   
 $12x^2 + 13x + 3$

11.  $(x - 8)(-3x + 1)$   
 $-3x^2 + 25x - 8$

12.  $(5t + 4)(2t - 6)$   
 $10t^2 - 22t - 24$

13.  $(5m - 3n)(4m - 2n)$   
 $20m^2 - 22mn + 6n^2$

14.  $(a - 3b)(2a - 5b)$   
 $2a^2 - 11ab + 15b^2$

15.  $(8x - 5)(8x + 5)$   
 $64x^2 - 25$

16.  $(2n - 4)(2n + 5)$   
 $4n^2 + 2n - 20$

17.  $(4m - 3)(5m - 5)$   
 $20m^2 - 35m + 15$

18.  $(7g - 4)(7g + 4)$   
 $49g^2 - 16$