

1. Use an area model to multiply $(x - 2)(x^2 + 4x + 3)$.

2. a. Explain why $(x - 2)(x^2 + 4x + 3) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$ can be rewritten as

$$\frac{x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6}{x - 2} = x^2 + 4x + 3.$$

b. We can use an area model to solve division problems as well, consider the quotient

$$\frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 18x - 8}{x - 4}$$

i. Explain why $x - 4$ is on the outside of the rectangle, while $2x^3$ is inside the rectangle.

x	$2x^3$			
-4				

ii. If the rectangle below represents $\frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 18x - 8}{x - 4}$, What does A and B have to equal? Explain how you know.

A

x	$2x^3$			
-4	<i>B</i>			

iii. If the rectangle below represents $\frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 18x - 8}{x - 4}$, Explain why $B + C = -3x^2$?

A

x	$2x^3$	<i>C</i>		
-4	<i>B</i>			

iv. Fill in the values where A, B and C are located. Then use a similar strategy to complete the area model. What does $\frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 18x - 8}{x - 4} =$ _____?

x	$2x^3$			
-4				

2. Practice (watch [Polynomial Division](#) if needed).

Use an area model to divide each expression below:

a. $\frac{x^3+2x^2-13x+10}{x-1}$

b. $\frac{4x^4+16x^3+13x^2-5x-3}{2x+3}$

c. $\frac{3x^4-4x^3-3x^2+19x-20}{3x-4}$

d. $\frac{x^3-1}{x-1}$

e. $\frac{x^4+3x^3-2x^2-9x-5}{x^2+2x+1}$

f. $\frac{x^4-2x^2-x-60}{x-3}$