

Factors and Factoring

What is a Factor?

"Factors" are the terms we can **multiply together** to get another term

What is a GCF?

"Greatest Common Factors" are the **largest** terms that are factors of all other terms given

What is "Factoring"?

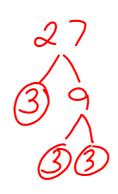
It means to write the given information as a product of two factors.

Factoring a Monomial

12ab²

2.2.3.a.b.b

• 27x²y³ 2 7

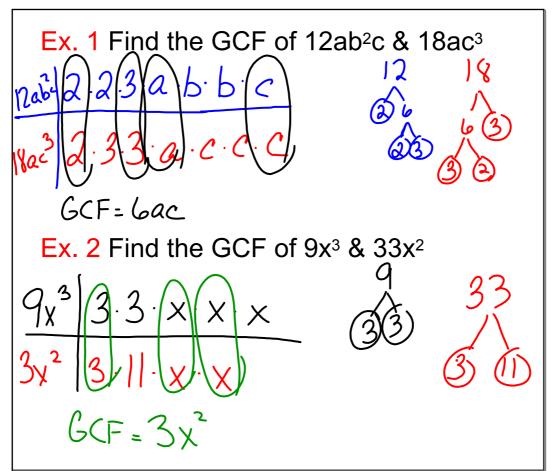


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Finding the GCF of Monomials

- **Factor Each Monomial**
- Find the GCF of the Coefficients
- Find the variables they have in common

(Find the smallest exponent from each like variable)



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