



Multiplying Polynomials - Box Method

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Multiply the polynomials using box method.

1) $(3x + 8)(x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x + 9) =$ _____

| | x^3 | $-5x^2$ | $-6x$ | 9 |
|------|-------|---------|-------|---|
| $3x$ | | | | |
| 8 | | | | |

2) $(m^2 - 2m)(3m^3 + 2m^2 + m - 1) =$ _____

| | $3m^3$ | $2m^2$ | m | -1 |
|-------|--------|--------|---|----|
| m^2 | | | | |
| -2m | | | | |

3) $(b - 6)(5b^4 - b^3 - 3b^2 + b) =$ _____

| | $5b^4$ | $-b^3$ | $-3b^2$ | b |
|----|--------|--------|---------|---|
| b | | | | |
| -6 | | | | |



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1) $(3x + 8)(x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x + 9) = \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$ $3x^4 - 23x^3 - 58x^2 - 11x + 72$

| | x^3 | $-5x^2$ | $-6x$ | 9 |
|----|---------|----------|----------|-------|
| 3x | $3x^4$ | $-15x^3$ | $-18x^2$ | $27x$ |
| 8 | $-8x^3$ | $-40x^2$ | $-48x$ | 72 |

2) $(m^2 - 2m)(3m^3 + 2m^2 + m - 1) = \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$ $3m^5 - 4m^4 - 3m^3 - 3m^2 + 2m$

| | $3m^3$ | $2m^2$ | m | -1 |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| m^2 | $3m^5$ | $2m^4$ | m^3 | $-m^2$ |
| -2m | $-6m^4$ | $-4m^3$ | $-2m^2$ | $2m$ |

3) $(b - 6)(5b^4 - b^3 - 3b^2 + b) = \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$ $5b^5 - 31b^4 + 3b^3 + 19b^2 - 6b$

| | $5b^4$ | $-b^3$ | $-3b^2$ | b |
|----|----------|--------|---------|-------|
| b | $5b^5$ | $-b^4$ | $-3b^3$ | b^2 |
| -6 | $-30b^4$ | $6b^3$ | $18b^2$ | $-6b$ |