

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + {}^n C_1 a^{n-1} b^1 + {}^n C_2 a^{n-2} b^2 + {}^n C_3 a^{n-3} b^3 \dots$$

Examples: Expand upto first three terms.

$$(2x+5)^6 = (2x)^6 + {}^6 C_1 (2x)^{6-1} (+5)^1 + {}^6 C_2 (2x)^{6-2} (5)^2$$

$${}^6 C_1 1 \times 2^5 \times 5 = 960 \quad {}^6 C_2 2 \times 2^4 \times 5^2 = 6000$$

$$64x^6 + 960x^5 + 6000x^4$$

$$(2-x)^6 = (2)^6 + {}^6 C_1 (2)^5 (-x)^1 + {}^6 C_2 (2)^4 (-x)^2$$

$$= 64 - 192x + 240x^2$$

TYPE 1

Q: (a) Expand $(2-x)^6$ upto first three terms.

$$(2)^6 + {}^6 C_1 (2)^5 (-x)^1 + {}^6 C_2 (2)^4 (-x)^2$$

$$(2-x)^6 = 64 - 192x + 240x^2$$

(b) Find coefficient of x^2 in expansion of $(2x+3)(2-x)^6$

$$(2x+3)(2-x)^6 \longrightarrow x^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x \times -192x = -384x^2 \\
 + 3 \times 240x^2 = 720x^2 \\
 \hline
 336x^2 \quad (\text{Final Ans})
 \end{array}$$

(c) Find coefficient of x^2 in expansion of $(7+3x-2x^2)(2-x)^6$

$$(2-x)^6 = 64 - 192x + 240x^2$$

$$(7+3x-2x^2)(2-x)^6 \longrightarrow x^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 7 \times 240x^2 = 1680x^2 \\
 +3x \times -192x = -576x^2 \\
 -2x^2 \times 64 = -128x^2 \\
 \hline
 976x^2
 \end{array}$$

ADVANCED: (REVERSE) (FINAL ANS IS GIVEN IN QUESTION)

(d) The coefficient of x^2 is 48 in expansion of $(2ax+7)(2-x)^6$. find a .

$$(2-x)^6 = 64 - 192x + 240x^2$$

$$(2ax+7)(2-x)^6 \longrightarrow x^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2ax \times -192x = -384a x^2 \\
 +7 \times 240x^2 = 1680 x^2 \\
 \hline
 48 x^2
 \end{array}$$

$$-384a + 1680 = 48$$

$$a = \frac{48 - 1680}{-384} = \boxed{\frac{17}{4}}$$

(e) The coefficient of x is 30 in expansion $(2x - a)(2 - x)^6$. Find a

$$(2 - x)^6 = 64 - 192x + 240x^2$$

$$(2x - a)(2 - x)^6 \longrightarrow x$$

$$2x \times 64 = 128x$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 -a \times -192x = 192ax \\
 \hline
 30x
 \end{array}$$

$$128 + 192a = 30$$

$$a = \frac{30 - 128}{192} = \boxed{\frac{-49}{96}}$$

Reverse working

final answer = 0x

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expansion of $(2x-3)^8$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^8 C_r (2x)^{8-r} (-3)^r$$

you need T_5 , $r=4$

$$T_{4+1} = {}^8 C_4 (2x)^{8-4} (-3)^4$$

$$T_5 = (70)(16x^4)(+81)$$

$$T_5 = 90720x^4$$

Too easy. Never tested in CAIE.

expansion of $(2x + \frac{3}{x})^8$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^8 C_r (2x)^{8-r} \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^8 C_r \cdot 2^{8-r} \cdot x^{8-r} \cdot \frac{3^r}{x^r}$$

$$\frac{x^{8-r}}{x^r} = x^2$$

$$x^{8-r-r} = x^2$$

$$8-2r = 2$$

$$2r = 6$$

$$r = 3$$

STEP 1: Expand all powers and isolate x -terms

STEP 2: EQUATE these isolated x terms to required term and find r .

Step 3: Now put this value of r in first line.

$$T_{3+1} = {}^8 C_3 (2x)^{8-3} \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^3$$

$$(56)(2x)^5 \left(\frac{27}{x^3}\right)$$

$$= 56 (32x^5) \left(\frac{27}{x^3}\right)$$

$$= 48384x^2$$

VOCAB: TERM INDEPENDENT OF x

1) APPLY FORMULA FOR PARTICULAR TERM.

2) Find the term of x^0 .

Q: Find the term independent of x in $(2x + \frac{3}{x})^8$

$\downarrow x^0$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^8C_r (2x)^{8-r} \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^8C_r \cdot 2^{8-r} \cdot x^{8-r} \cdot \frac{3^r}{x^r}$$

$$\frac{x^{8-r}}{x^r} = x^0$$

$$x^{8-r-r} = x^0$$

$$8-2r = 0$$

$$r = 4$$

$$T_{4+1} = {}^8C_4 (2x)^{8-4} \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^4$$

$$= (70)(2x)^4 \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^4$$

$$= 70 (16x^4) \left(\frac{81}{x^4}\right)$$

$$= \boxed{90720}$$

15 Find the term independent of x in the expansion of $(x - \frac{1}{x^2})^9$.

[3]

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r (x)^{9-r} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^9C_r \cdot x^{9-r} \cdot \frac{(-1)^r}{x^{2r}}$$

$$\frac{x^{9-r}}{x^{2r}} = x^0$$

$$x^{9-r-2r} = x^0$$

$$9-3r = 0$$

$$T_{3+1} = {}^9C_3 (x)^{9-3} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^3$$

$$= (84)x^6 \frac{(-1)}{x^6}$$

$$= -84$$

$$n = 3$$

1 Time practice of worksheets = NO PRACTICE AT ALL.

10 (i) Find the first 3 terms in the expansion of $\left(2x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^5$ in descending powers of x . [3]

(ii) Hence find the coefficient of x in the expansion of $\left(1 + \frac{2}{x^2}\right)\left(2x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^5$. [2]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \left(2x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^5 &= (2x)^5 + {}^5C_1 (2x)^4 \left(-\frac{3}{x}\right)^1 + {}^5C_2 (2x)^3 \left(-\frac{3}{x}\right)^2 \\ &= 32x^5 + (5)(16x^4)\left(-\frac{3}{x}\right) + (10)(8x^3)\left(\frac{9}{x^2}\right) \\ &= 32x^5 - 240x^3 + 720x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad \left(1 + \frac{2}{x^2}\right) \left(2x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^5 \longrightarrow x$$

$$1 \times 720x = 720x$$

$$\frac{2}{x^2} \times -240x^3 = \frac{-480x}{240x}$$

- 4 The first three terms in the expansion of $(2 + ax)^n$, in ascending powers of x , are $32 - 40x + bx^2$. Find the values of the constants n , a and b . [5]

$$(2 + ax)^n = \binom{n}{0} (2)^n + \binom{n}{1} (2)^{n-1} (ax)^1 + \binom{n}{2} (2)^{n-2} (ax)^2$$

$$32 - 40x + bx^2$$

$2^n = 32$	$\binom{n}{1} 2^{n-1} (ax) = -40x$	$\binom{n}{2} (2)^{n-2} (ax)^2 = bx^2$
$2^n = 2^5$	$\binom{5}{1} (2)^{5-1} (ax) = -40x$	$\binom{5}{2} (2)^{5-2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^2 = bx^2$
$n = 5$	$(5)(16)(ax) = -40x$ $80ax = -40x$ $a = -\frac{1}{2}$	$(10)(8)\left(\frac{1}{4}x^2\right) = bx^2$ $20x^2 = bx^2$ $b = 20.$

- 20 (i) Find the first 3 terms in the expansion of $(2 - y)^5$ in ascending powers of y . [2]

- (ii) Use the result in part (i) to find the coefficient of x^2 in the expansion of $(2 - (2x - x^2))^5$. [3]

$$(i) (2 - y)^5 = \binom{5}{0} (2)^5 + \binom{5}{1} (2)^{5-1} (-y)^1 + \binom{5}{2} (2)^{5-2} (-y)^2$$

$$(2 - y)^5 = 32 - 80y + 80y^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \downarrow y = 2x - x^2 \\ (2 - (2x - x^2))^5 &= 32 - 80(2x - x^2) + 80(2x - x^2)^2 \\ &= 32 - 160x + 80x^2 + 80[4x^2 - 2(2x)(x^2) + (x^2)^2] \\ &= 32 - 160x + 80x^2 + 320x^2 - 320x^3 + 80x^4 \\ &= 32 - 160x + 400x^2 - 320x^3 + 80x^4 \end{aligned}$$

18 The coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $(a+x)^5 + (1-2x)^6$, where a is positive, is 90. Find the value of a . [5]

$$(a+x)^5 \oplus (1-2x)^6 \longrightarrow 90x^3$$

you will need x^3 term from both brackets.

$$(a+x)^5 \rightarrow {}^5C_r (a)^{5-r} (x)^r$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^r &= x^3 \\ r &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$${}^5C_3 (a)^2 (x^3)$$

$$10a^2 x^3$$

$$(1-2x)^6 = {}^6C_r (1)^{6-r} (-2x)^r$$

$$\rightarrow = {}^6C_r \cdot 1^{6-r} \cdot (-2)^r \cdot x^r$$

$$x^r = x^3$$

$$r = 3$$

$${}^6C_3 (1)^{6-3} (-2x)^3$$

$$(20)(1)(-8x^3)$$

$$-160x^3$$

$$(a+x)^5 \oplus (1-2x)^6 \longrightarrow 90x^3$$

$$10a^2 x^3 + (-160x^3) = 90x^3$$

$$10a^2 - 160 = 90$$

$$10a^2 = 250$$

$$a^2 = 25$$

$$a = 5$$