

**EXTRA PRACTICE 38**  
**The Binomial Theorem**  
**Use after Section 14.6**

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Examples:

a)  $5! = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 120$

b)  $\binom{7}{3} = \frac{7!}{(7-3)!3!} = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 35$

c) Expand:  $(2x - 5y)^4$ .

Using the binomial theorem  $(a + b)^n = \binom{n}{0}a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 + \cdots + \binom{n}{n}b$ .

$a = 2x, b = -5y, n = 4$

$$= \binom{4}{0}(2x)^4 + \binom{4}{1}(2x)^3(-5y) + \binom{4}{2}(2x)^2(-5y)^2 + \binom{4}{3}(2x)(-5y)^3 + \binom{4}{4}(-5y)^4$$

$$= 1(16x^4) + 4(8x^3)(-5y) + 6(4x^2)(25y^2) + 4(2x)(-125y^3) + 1(625y^4)$$

$$= 16x^4 - 160x^3y + 600x^2y^2 - 1000xy^3 + 625y^4$$

Simplify.

1.  $7!$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $9!$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $8!$  \_\_\_\_\_

4.  $\frac{5!}{3!}$  \_\_\_\_\_

5.  $\binom{4}{3}$  \_\_\_\_\_

6.  $\binom{9}{6}$  \_\_\_\_\_

7.  $\binom{12}{8}$  \_\_\_\_\_

8.  $\binom{25}{25}$  \_\_\_\_\_

9.  $\binom{12}{2}$  \_\_\_\_\_

10.  $\binom{18}{1}$  \_\_\_\_\_

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Expand each of the following.

11.  $(x + y)^5$  \_\_\_\_\_

12.  $(x - y)^6$  \_\_\_\_\_

13.  $(2x + y)^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

14.  $(3x - 2y)^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

15.  $(x - 3y)^5$  \_\_\_\_\_

16.  $(2x + y)^6$  \_\_\_\_\_

17.  $(x + y)^8$  \_\_\_\_\_

18.  $(3x - 2y)^4$  \_\_\_\_\_

19.  $(-x + y)^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

20.  $(2x - y)^5$  \_\_\_\_\_

21.  $\left(x + \frac{1}{y}\right)^5$  \_\_\_\_\_

22.  $\left(2x - \frac{5}{y}\right)^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find the indicated term of the binomial expansion.

23. 5th,  $(x + y)^7$  \_\_\_\_\_

24. 6th,  $(2x - 3y)^9$  \_\_\_\_\_

25. 8th,  $(2x + 3y^2)^{10}$  \_\_\_\_\_

26. 7th,  $(3x + 2y)^8$  \_\_\_\_\_