

Zeros of a Polynomial

**Determine whether the given binomial is a factor of the polynomial  $p(x)$ . If so, find the remaining factors of  $p(x)$ .**

12.  $p(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 2, (x + 2)$

13.  $p(x) = 2x^4 + 6x^3 - 5x - 10, (x + 2)$

14.  $p(x) = x^3 - 22x^2 + 157x - 360, (x - 8)$

15.  $p(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 5, (x - 3)$

**Find all the zeros of the following polynomials GRAPHICALLY (using your calculator)**

16.  $f(x) = x^5 + 2x^4 - 2x^2 - x$

17.  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x$

**Find all the zeros of the following polynomials ALGEBRAICALLY**

1.  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$

2.  $f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 13x - 6$

3.  $g(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 23x - 15$

4.  $h(x) = 6x^3 - 7x^2 - 9x - 2$

5.  $g(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 + 11x^2 - 6x$

6.  $g(x) = x^4 - 5x^2 + 4$

7.  $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 11x + 2$

8.  $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x + 4$

**17.** Identify the zeroes of  $f(x) = (x + 3)(x - 4)(x - 3)$ , write the function in standard form, and state how the zeros are related to the standard form.

**19. Explain the Error** Sabrina was told to find the zeros of the polynomial function  $h(x) = x(x - 4)(x + 2)$ . She stated that the zeros of this polynomial are  $x = 0$ ,  $x = -4$ , and  $x = 2$ . Explain her error.

## Review

Perform the following operations

1.  $(x^2 - 3x + 7) + (3x^2 + 5x - 3)$

2.  $(-3x^2 - 5) - (x^2 + 7x + 12)$

3.  $(5x^3 - 1)^2$