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## Section 8-8 Factoring by Grouping

Students factors higher-degree polynomials by grouping.

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Some polynomials of a degree greater than 2 can be factored.

We will be using a method called factoring by grouping to do these.

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## **Factor:**

$$8t^3 + 14t^2 + 20t + 35$$

$$(8t^3+20t)+(14t^2+35)$$
  
 $4t(2t^2+5)+7(2t^2+5)$   
 $(2t^2+3)(4t+7)$ 

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#20. 
$$(18h^3 + 45h^2) - 8h - 20$$
)
 $9h^2(2h+6) - 4(2h+6)$ 
 $(2h+6)(9h^2-4)$ 
 $(2h+6)(3h+2)(3h-2)$ 

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Factor completely:  $6h^4 + 9h^3 + 12h^2 + 18h$ 

 $3h((2h^{3}+3h^{3}+4h+4))$   $3h(h^{3}(2h+3)+2(2h+3))$  $3h(2h+3)(h^{2}+2)$  **Factor Completely** 

#. 33. 8m<sup>3</sup> + 32m<sup>2</sup> + 40m + 160

 $8(m^3+4m^3+6m+2\delta)$   $8(m^2(m+4)+5(m+4))$  $8(m+4)(m^2+5)$ 

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## **Summary of Factoring:**

- 1. Factor out the GCF
- 2. If the polynomial has 2 or 3 terms, look for the a difference of 2 squares, a perfect square trinomial, or a pair of binomial factors.
- 3. If it has 4 or more terms, group and factor to find the common binomial factors.
- 4. As a final check, make sure there are no common factors other than 1.

You can always check your work by multiplying your factored form.

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**Quiz tomorrow** 

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