## Factoring by GCF

## Factor each polynomial (take out the GCF). Check your answer.

1. 
$$8c^2 + 7c$$

2. 
$$3n^3 + 12n^2$$

3. 
$$15x^5 - 18x$$

4. 
$$-8s^4 + 20t^3 - 28$$

5. 
$$6n^6 + 18n^4 - 24n$$

6. 
$$-5m^4 - 5m^3 + 5m^2$$

7. A ball is hit vertically into the air using a paddle at a speed of 32 ft/sec. The expression  $-16t^2 + 32t$  gives the ball's height after t seconds. Factor this expression.

8. The area of Margo's laptop computer screen is  $12x^2 + 3x$  in<sup>2</sup>. Factor this polynomial to find expressions for the dimensions of her computer screen.

## Factor each expression.

9. 
$$3m(m+5)+4(m+5)$$

10. 
$$16b(b-3) + (b-3)$$

## Factor each polynomial by grouping.

11. 
$$2x^3 + 8x^2 + 3x + 12$$

12. 
$$4n^3 + 3n^2 + 4n + 3$$

13. 
$$10d^2 - 6d + 35d - 21$$

14. 
$$12n^3 - 15n^2 - 8n + 10$$

15. 
$$5b^4 - 15b^3 + 3 - b$$

16. 
$$t^3 - 5t^2 + 10 - 2t$$

