



Expanding Brackets with Surds (2)

1 By expanding brackets first, write each of the following calculations in its simplest form.

Example

$$(\sqrt{2} + 1)(\sqrt{2} + 3)$$

X	$\sqrt{2}$	+ 1
$\sqrt{2}$	2	+ $\sqrt{2}$
+ 3	+ $3\sqrt{2}$	+ 3

Use a multiplication grid and apply the laws of surds.

Simplify by collecting like surds.

$$= 2 + \sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2} + 3$$

$$= 5 + 4\sqrt{2}$$

a) $(\sqrt{3} + 1)(\sqrt{3} + 3)$

X	$\sqrt{3}$	+ 1
$\sqrt{3}$		
+ 3		

b) $(\sqrt{3} + 2)(\sqrt{3} + 3)$

X		

c) $(\sqrt{3} + 1)(\sqrt{3} + 4)$

X		

d) $(\sqrt{3} + 2)(\sqrt{3} + 4)$

e) $(\sqrt{3} - 2)(\sqrt{3} + 4)$

f) $(\sqrt{3} - 2)(\sqrt{3} - 4)$

g) $(\sqrt{5} - 2)(\sqrt{5} - 4)$

h) $(\sqrt{7} - 2)(\sqrt{7} - 4)$

2 By expanding brackets first, write each of the following calculations in its simplest form.

Example

$$(\sqrt{3} + 1)(\sqrt{2} + 3)$$

X	$\sqrt{3}$	+ 1
$\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{6}$	+ $\sqrt{2}$
+ 3	+ $3\sqrt{3}$	+ 3

$$= \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3} + 3$$

Use a multiplication grid and apply the laws of surds.

Simplify by collecting like surds.

Notice, this answer cannot be simplified any further.

a) $(\sqrt{5} + 1)(\sqrt{2} + 3)$

X		

b) $(\sqrt{7} + 1)(\sqrt{2} + 3)$

X		

c) $(\sqrt{6} + 1)(\sqrt{2} + 3)$

d) $(\sqrt{6} + 1)(\sqrt{3} + 3)$

e) $(\sqrt{6} + 1)(\sqrt{3} - 3)$

f) $(\sqrt{5} + 1)(\sqrt{4} - 3)$

g) $(\sqrt{10} + 1)(\sqrt{2} - 3)$

h) $(\sqrt{20} + 1)(\sqrt{2} - 3)$