## 2.9: Extending Understanding

We can combine our knowledge of exponent laws and polynomials to answer more complicated questions.

## **Monomial x Monomial**

Simplify:  $(3x^2y)(-2xy)$ 

**STEPS TO USE** 

1) Multiply the coefficients (numbers) first

2) Multiply the powers by using the <u>product</u> <u>law</u> (add exponents of powers with the same bases)

## **Examples**

Simplify:

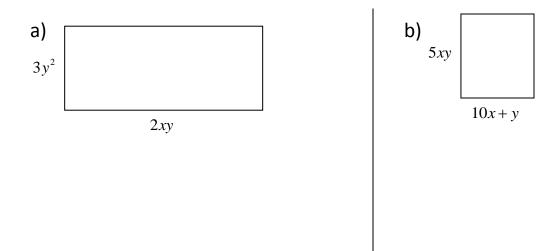
a) 
$$(6x^2)(2x^3)$$

b) 
$$(19x^5y^2)(xy^3)$$

c) 
$$(10a^5)(b^5)(abc)$$

## **Applying Algebra to Measurement**

Find a **simplified** expression for the area of each rectangle:



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