The Factor Theorem

- 1. The cubic function, y = P(x) has zeros of -2, 1, and 4. If P(0) = 16, what is the value of $P(\frac{1}{2})$, accurate to 2 decimals?
- 2. The polynomial $P(x) = 3x^4 11x^3 + 3x^2 + 11x 6$ has a linear factor of (x 3). What is the remaining cubic factor?

3. For the polynomial $P(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 - kx + 16$, one zero is -2. What is the largest zero of P(x)?

4. For P(x) = $x^3 - 6x^2 - 3x + 40$, the zeros can be written as x = m, and x = $\frac{n \pm \sqrt{p}}{2}$. What is the value of p?



- 5. The polynomial P(x) can be written in the form $y = a(x + b)^2 (x c) (x d)$.
 - What is the value of a?

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6. When P(x) is written in the form, $y = 0.2(x + b) (x - c)^2$, where b,c \in N, if the y-intercept is 0.8, what is the value of the other zero?

- 7. Given the polynomial function, $P(x) = 3x^4 4x^3 11x^2 + 16x 4$, which of the following statements is incorrect?
 - a) P(1) = 0
 b) The potential zeroes are ±1, ±2, ±4.
 c) P(x) ÷ (3x² + 7x + 2) = (x 1) (x + 2)
 d) (3x 1) is a factor of P(x).

- 8. If (x + 4) is a factor of $x^3 + 2x^2 kx + 4$, determine the value of k.
 - a) -7 b) 25 c) -25 d) 7

9. The polynomial function $P(x) = x^3 + bx^2 - 7x + 2b$, where $b \in N$, has a factor of (x - 1). When written as $P(x) = (x + k) (x - 1)^2$, find the value of k.

10. When $x^3 - x^2 - 16x - 4m$ is divided by (x - m), the remainder is 0. Find m.