



Practice Run

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Compare your answers.

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1. $-3y^3 \sqrt{18y^3}$

Note: y cannot be negative

$$\begin{aligned} &= -3y^3 \sqrt{9 \cdot 2 \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y} \\ &= -3y^3 \sqrt{3^2 \cdot 2 \cdot y^2 \cdot y} \\ &= -3y^3 \cdot 3 \cdot y \sqrt{2 \cdot y} \\ &= -3 \cdot 3 \cdot y^3 \cdot y \sqrt{2y} \\ &= -9 \cdot y^{3+1} \sqrt{2y} \\ &= -9y^4 \sqrt{2y} \text{ when } y \geq 0, \text{ and } y \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

2. $-2\sqrt{a}(4\sqrt{5} - 8a)$

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$$\begin{aligned} &= ((-2\sqrt{a}) \cdot 4\sqrt{5}) - ((-2\sqrt{a}) \cdot 8a) \\ &= (-8\sqrt{5a}) - (-16a\sqrt{a}) \\ &= -8\sqrt{5a} + 16a\sqrt{a} \text{ when } a \geq 0, \text{ and } a \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

3. $\frac{48\sqrt{z^5}}{-6\sqrt{16z^3}}$

Note: z cannot be negative

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-8\sqrt{z^5}}{\sqrt{4^2 z^3}} \\ &= \frac{-8\sqrt{z^5}}{4\sqrt{z^3}} \\ &= \frac{-8}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{z^5}}{\sqrt{z^3}} \\ &= -2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{z^5}{z^3}} \\ &= -2\sqrt{z^{5-3}} \\ &= -2\sqrt{z^2} \\ &= -2z \text{ when } z \geq 0, \text{ and } z \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

*Although there is no radical in the final, simplified expression, the restrictions placed on the variable are based on the original expression $\frac{48\sqrt{z^5}}{-6\sqrt{16z^3}}$.