

Simplify the complex number expression. Write your answer in standard form of a complex number.

$$1) (3 - 5i) - (8 - 6i)$$

$$3 - 5i - 8 + 6i =$$

$$\boxed{-5 + i}$$

$$2) (4 + 2i)(7 - 5i) =$$

$$28 + 14i - 20i - 10i^2 =$$

$$28 - 6i - 10(-1) =$$

$$28 - 6i + 10 =$$

$$\boxed{38 - 6i}$$

$$3) \frac{2}{1+4i} \cdot \frac{1-4i}{1-4i} =$$

$$\frac{2(1-4i)}{(1+4i)(1-4i)} = \frac{2-8i}{1-4i+4i-16i^2} =$$

$$\frac{2-8i}{1-16(-1)} = \frac{2-8i}{1+16} = \frac{2-8i}{17} =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2}{17} - \frac{8}{17}i}$$

Solve by taking the square root. Simplify the radicals, if possible.

$$4) 3x^2 - 20 = -56$$

$$+20 \quad +20$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{-36}{3}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{-12}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{-12}$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm 2i\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\sqrt{-12}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \sqrt{12}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad \sqrt{4} \sqrt{3}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$5) -4(x-3)^2 + 6 = 38$$

$$-6 \quad -6$$

$$\frac{-4(x-3)^2}{-4} = \frac{32}{-4}$$

$$\sqrt{(x-3)^2} = \sqrt{-8}$$

$$x-3 = \pm \sqrt{-8}$$

$$x-3 = \pm 2i\sqrt{2}$$

$$+3 \quad +3$$

$$\boxed{x = 3 \pm 2i\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{-8}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \sqrt{8}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad \sqrt{4} \sqrt{2}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad 2\sqrt{2}$$

Solve by completing the square.

$$6) x^2 + 8x + 68 = 0$$

$$-68 \quad -68$$

$$x^2 + 8x = -68$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = -68 + 16$$

$$\sqrt{(x+4)^2} = \sqrt{-52}$$

$$x+4 = \pm \sqrt{-52}$$

$$x+4 = \pm 2i\sqrt{13}$$

$$\boxed{x = -4 \pm 2i\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\left(\frac{8}{2}\right)^2 = 4^2 = 16$$

$$\sqrt{-52}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \sqrt{52}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad \sqrt{4} \sqrt{13}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad 2\sqrt{13}$$

Solve using the quadratic formula.

$$8) x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)} =$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} =$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2} =$$

$$\frac{2}{2} \pm \frac{2}{2}i = 1 \pm i$$

$$\sqrt{-4}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \sqrt{4}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad 2$$

$$\boxed{x = 1 \pm i}$$

$$7) 3x^2 - 12x + 18 = 0$$

$$-18 \quad -18$$

$$3x^2 - 12x = -18$$

$$3(x^2 - 4x) = -18$$

$$3(x^2 - 4x + 4) = -18 + 3(4)$$

$$\frac{3(x-2)^2}{3} = \frac{-6}{3}$$

$$\sqrt{(x-2)^2} = \sqrt{-2}$$

$$x-2 = \pm \sqrt{-2}$$

$$x-2 = \pm i\sqrt{2}$$

$$9) 4x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(4)(1)}}{2(4)} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-16}}{8} =$$

$$\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-12}}{8} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i\sqrt{3}}{8} =$$

$$-\frac{2}{8} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{8}i = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}i$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}i}$$

$$\left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 = (-2)^2 = 4$$

$$\sqrt{-2}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} \sqrt{2}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$i \quad \sqrt{2}$$

$$\boxed{x = 2 \pm i\sqrt{2}}$$

$$y^{-6-4} = y^{-10} = \frac{1}{y^{10}}$$

Simplify the expression.

10)  $(x^{-2}y^3x)^{-5}$

$$x^{10}y^{-15}x^{-5} = \frac{x^{10}}{y^{15}x^5} = \boxed{\frac{x^5}{y^{15}}}$$

11)  $\frac{2x^5y^{-2}}{6x^2} \cdot \frac{(2xy^{-3})^2}{y^4}$

$$\frac{2x^5}{6x^2y^2} \cdot \frac{2^2x^2y^{-6}}{y^4} = \frac{1(x^3)}{3y^2} \cdot \frac{4x^2}{y^{10}} = \boxed{\frac{4x^5}{3y^{12}}}$$

Simplify the expression. Write your solution in scientific notation.

12)  $(2.4 \times 10^8)(7 \times 10^{-5})$   $10^{8+(-5)} = 10^3$

$$16.8 \times 10^3 = \boxed{1.68 \times 10^4}$$

13)  $\frac{(3.6 \times 10^2)(2 \times 10^{-3})}{8.9 \times 10^{-3}}$

$$\frac{7.2 \times 10^{-1}}{8.9 \times 10^{-3}} = 10^{2+(-3)} = 10^{-1} \quad 10^{-1-(-3)} = 10^{-1+3} = 10^2$$

$$0.808988764 \times 10^2 = \boxed{8.08988764 \times 10^1}$$

Simplify the expression. Must show all steps for any credit. No decimal solutions.

14)  $64^{2/3}$

$$(64^{1/3})^2 = ((4^3)^{1/3})^2 = (4^1)^2 = 4^2 = \boxed{16}$$

15)  $4^{-3/2}$

$$(4^{1/2})^{-3} = (\sqrt{4})^{-3} = 2^{-3} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{8}}$$

16)  $(\sqrt[3]{x})^9 \cdot \sqrt{x^4}$

$$(x^{1/3})^9 \cdot (x^{1/2})^4 = x^{9/3} \cdot x^{4/2} = x^3 \cdot x^2 = \boxed{x^5}$$

17)  $8^{-1/3} \cdot 36^{1/2}$

$$(2^3)^{-1/3} \cdot \sqrt{36} = 2^{-3/3} \cdot 6 = 2^{-1} \cdot 6 = \frac{6}{2} = \boxed{3}$$

\*In calculator to take cube root on TI-83/84, hit MATH and option 4 is  $\sqrt[3]{\quad}$  (insert number) ← close parentheses. For rational exponent form if you wanted to take the one-third power of 8, you type  $8^{(1/3)}$ . **MAKE SURE YOU SHOW ALL WORK**