Below is a list of flashcards for Chapter 1 - feel free to make more of your own! Here are some suggestions for using them:

- After making the cards, shuffle them well to form a practice deck.
- When checking the answers, focus on the principle(s) involved, not just the answer.
- When you get an item correct, remove its card from the practice deck, to focus on the ones you do not get correct.
- Reinsert cards for which you got the correct answer into the practice deck some time after you got them correct, to make sure you stay refreshed on them.

Front Back $(-4)^2 \qquad \qquad (-4)^2 = (-4)(-4) = 16$ $-7^2 \qquad \qquad -7^2 = -(7 \cdot 7) = -49$ $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 \text{ is} \qquad \qquad \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{16}$ The next step in simplifying 5 - 3(4+7) is 5 - 3(11)

When x = -2, $x^2 - 3x + 1$ is Fill () in ()² - 3() + 1 with -2 to get $(-2)^2 - 3(-2) + 1 = 4 + 6 + 1 = 11$

When x = -7, $5x + x^2$ is Fill () in 5() + ()² with -7 to get $5(-7) + (-7)^2 = -35 + 49 = 14$

When x = -4, $5x - x^2$ is Fill () in 5() - ()² with -4 to get $5(-4) - (-4)^2 = -20 - 16 = -36$

The next step in simplifying 5x - 21x + 125x - 3(7x - 4) is

Front

Back

Simplify
$$(3x^5)(6x^7)$$

$$(3x^{5})(6x^{7}) = 3 \cdot 6x^{5}x^{7}$$
$$= 18(xxxxx)(xxxxxxxx)$$
$$= 18x^{12}$$

Simplify
$$(5x^2)^3$$

$$(5x^{2})^{3} = (5x^{2})(5x^{2})(5x^{2})$$
$$= 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5(xx)(xx)(xx)$$
$$= 125x^{6}$$

Simplify
$$\frac{3x^2}{9x^7}$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{9x^7} = \frac{3}{9} \cdot \frac{xx}{xxxxxxx}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{xxxxx}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3x^5}$$

Simplify
$$\left(\frac{x^6}{2x^5}\right)^3$$

$$\left(\frac{x^6}{2x^5}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{xxxxxx}{xxxxx}\right)^3$$
$$= \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{x}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{2}$$
$$= \frac{x^3}{8}$$

$$5^{-2}$$
 is

$$5^{-2} = \frac{1}{5^2} = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$3^0$$
 is

$$3^0 = 1$$
, because $a^0 = 1$ as long as $a \neq 0$

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3}$$
 is

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} = \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2}$$

In scientific notation, 0.0027 is

$$2.7 \times 10^{-2}$$

The decimal form of 8.62×10^4 is

In scientific notation, 7100 is

$$7.1 \times 10^3$$

The decimal form of 3×10^{-5} is