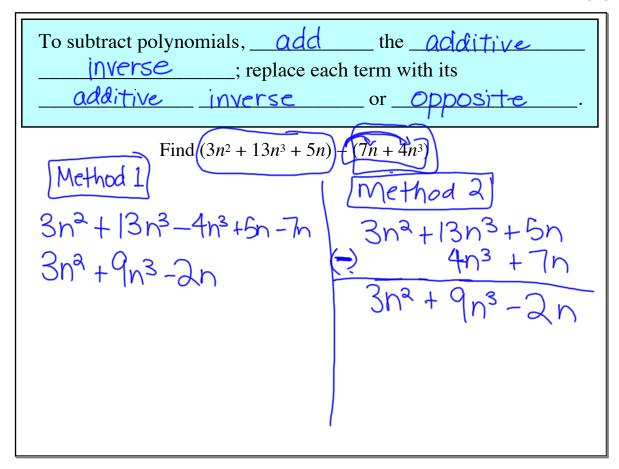


To add polynomials, <u>group</u> like terms
Find $(3x^2 - 4x + 8) + (2x - 7x^2 - 5)$ Method 1 $3x^2 + 7x^2 + 4x + 2x + 8 + 5$ $-4x^2 + 3x + 3$ Method 2 $3x^2 - 4x + 8$ $3x^2 - 4x + 8$ $-4x^2 - 2x + 3$ $4x^2 - 2x + 3$



The total number of public school teachers T consists of two groups, elementary E and secondary S. From 1985 to 1998, the number (in thousands) of secondary teachers and total teachers could be modeled by the following equations, where n is the number of years since 1985.

$$S = 11n + 942$$
$$T = 44n + 2216$$

Find an equation that models the number of elementary teachers E for this time period.

$$\frac{T}{-S} = \frac{44n + 2216}{11n + 942}$$

 $\frac{(-)}{E} = \frac{33n + 1274}{1274}$

Use the equation to predict the number of elementary teachers in the year 2010.

$$E = 33(25) + 1274$$

= 825 + 1274
= 2,099,000

