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The **area** of a triangle is $64x^2$. It has a **base** equal to 16x, and an unknown **height**. Determine the height of this triangle. Include a well-labelled diagram in your solution and show how you came up with your answer.

Height of Hiersle is
$$8x$$

$$A = \frac{bxh}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 64x^2 = \frac{16x(h)}{2}$$

$$64x^2 \times 2 = \frac{16x(h)}{2} \times 2$$

$$128x^2 = \frac{16x(h)}{16x}$$

$$8x = h$$

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Goal(s)

- To distribute a constant through a bracket with two terms
- Apply exponent laws to distribute a monomial term with a constant and/or variable through a set of brackets with up to three terms and simplify the result
- Solve real-world problems involving the distributive property and represent the results using simplified expressions

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The **distributive property** allows you to *expand* algebraic expressions by multiplying all terms within a set of brackets by its coefficient. The distributive property states that:

$$a(x+y) = ax + ay$$

When you apply the distributive property, you are **expanding** an expression.

When distributing, multiply the monomial by each term in the polynomial.

Multiply numerical coefficients and apply exponent laws to variables.

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Expand
$$3(x+2) = -5(4m-3)$$

$$= 3(x) + 3(2) = -5(4m) - 5(-3)$$

$$= 3x + 6 = -20m + 15$$

$$(2y+5)(-4) = 2(5a^{2} - 7a + 2) = 2(5a^{2}) + 2(-7a) + 2(2)$$

$$= -4(2y) - 4(5) = (0a^{2} - 14a + 4)$$

$$= -8y - 20$$

$$x(x-3) = p(p^{2} - 2p + 1)$$

$$= x(x) + x(-3) = p(p^{2}) + p(-2p) + p(1)$$

$$= x^{2} - 3x$$

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Determine if the two expressions are equivalent.

$$3x^2 + 6x - 12$$
 and $3x(x + 2 - 4)$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(x+2-4) = 3x(x) + 3x(2) + 3x(-4)$$

$$= 3x^2 + 6x - 12x$$

$$= 3x^2 - 6x$$

Expanding and Simplifying Expressions

- apply the distributive property, remove the brackets, then collect like terms and simplify.

$$-4(x+3)+2(2x-1) \qquad \frac{1}{2}(2w-6)-\frac{2}{3}(9w-6)$$

$$= -4(x) - 4(3) + 2(2x) + 2(-1)$$

$$= -4x - 12 + 4x - 2$$

$$= 0x - 14$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2\omega) + \frac{1}{2}(-6) - \frac{3}{3}(9\omega) - \frac{3}{3}(-6)$$

$$= -14$$

$$= \omega - 3 - 6\omega + 4$$

$$=-5\omega+1$$