

**CBSE Class 9 Mathematics**  
**NCERT Solutions**  
**CHAPTER 2**  
**Polynomials(Ex. 2.2)**

**1. Find the value of the polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  at**

**(i)**  $x = 0$

**(ii)**  $x = -1$

**(iii)**  $x = 2$

**Ans. (i)** Let  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$ .

We need to substitute 0 in the polynomial  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$  to get

$$f(0) = 5(0) - 4(0)^2 + 3$$

$$= 0 - 0 + 3$$

$$= 3$$

Therefore, we conclude that at  $x = 0$ , the value of the polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  is 3.

**(ii)** Let  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$ .

We need to substitute  $-1$  in the polynomial  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$  to get.

$$f(-1) = 5(-1) - 4(-1)^2 + 3$$

$$= -5 - 4 + 3$$

$$= -6$$

Therefore, we conclude that at  $x = -1$ , the value of the polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  is  $-6$

**(iii)** Let  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$ .

We need to substitute 2 in the polynomial  $f(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$  to get

$$f(2) = 5(2) - 4(2)^2 + 3$$

$$= 10 - 16 + 3$$

$$= -3$$

Therefore, we conclude that at  $x = 2$ , the value of the polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  is  $-3$ .

**2. Find  $p(0)$ ,  $p(1)$  and  $p(2)$  for each of the following polynomials:**

(i)  $p(y) = y^2 - y + 1$

(ii)  $p(t) = 2 + t + 2t^2 - t^3$

(iii)  $p(x) = x^3$

(iv)  $p(x) = (x-1)(x+1)$

**Ans. (i)**  $p(y) = y^2 - y + 1$

$$p(0) = (0)^2 - 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$p(1) = (1)^2 - 1 + 1 = 1 - 0 = 1$$

$$p(2) = (2)^2 - 2 + 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

(ii)  $p(t) = 2 + t + 2t^2 - t^3$

$$p(0) = 2 + (0) + 2(0)^2 - (0)^3 = 2$$

$$p(1) = 2 + (1) + 2(1)^2 - (1)^3 = 2 + 1 + 2 - 1 = 4$$

$$p(2) = 2 + (2) + 2(2)^2 - (2)^3 = 4 + 8 - 8 = 4$$

(iii)  $p(x) = (x)^3$

$$p(0) = (0)^3 = 0$$

$$p(1) = (1)^3 = 1$$

$$p(2) = (2)^3 = 8$$

(vi)  $p(x) = (x-1)(x+1)$

$$p(0) = (0-1)(0+1) = (-1)(1) = -1$$

$$p(1) = (1-1)(1+1) = (0)(2) = 0$$

$$p(2) = (2-1)(2+1) = (1)(3) = 3$$

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3. Verify whether the following are zeroes of the polynomial, indicated against them.

(i)  $p(x) = 3x + 1, x = -\frac{1}{3}$

(ii)  $p(x) = 5x - \pi, x = \frac{4}{5}$

(iii)  $p(x) = x^2 - 1, x = -1, 1$

(iv)  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2), x = -1, 2$

(v)  $p(x) = x^2, x = 0$

(vi)  $p(x) = lx + m, x = -\frac{m}{l}$

(vii)  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1, x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

(viii)  $p(x) = 2x + 1, x = -\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. (i)  $p(x) = 3x + 1, x = -\frac{1}{3}$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = 3x + 1$  at  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$  is equal to zero or not.

$$p\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = 3x + 1 = 3\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1 = -1 + 1 = 0$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$  is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x + 1$ .

(ii)  $p(x) = 5x - \pi, x = \frac{4}{5}$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = 5x - \pi$  at  $x = \frac{4}{5}$  is equal to zero or not.

$$p\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - \pi = 4 - \pi \quad p(x) = 2x + 1, x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore,  $x = \frac{4}{5}$  is not a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 5x - \pi$ .

(iii)  $p(x) = x^2 - 1, x = -1, 1$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = x^2 - 1$  at  $x = -1, 1$  is equal to zero or not.

At  $x = -1$

$$p(-1) = (-1)^2 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

At  $x = 1$

$$p(1) = (1)^2 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

Therefore,  $x = -1, 1$  are the zeros of the polynomial  $p(x) = x^2 - 1$ .

(iv)  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2)$ ,  $x = -1, 2$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2)$  at  $x = -1, 2$  is equal to zero or not.

At  $x = -1$

$$p(-1) = (-1+1)(-1-2) = (0)(-3) = 0$$

At  $x = 2$

$$p(2) = (2+1)(2-2) = (3)(0) = 0$$

Therefore,  $x = -1, 2$  are the zeros of the polynomial  $p(x) = (x+1)(x-2)$ .

(v)  $p(x) = x^2$ ,  $x = 0$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = x^2$  at  $x = 0$  is equal to zero or not.

$$p(0) = (0)^2 = 0$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $x = 0$  is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = x^2$ .

(vi)  $p(x) = lx + m$ ,  $x = -\frac{m}{l}$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = lx + m$  at  $x = -\frac{m}{l}$  is equal to zero or not.

$$p\left(-\frac{m}{l}\right) = l\left(-\frac{m}{l}\right) + m = m + m = 0$$

Therefore,  $x = -\frac{m}{l}$  is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = lx + m$ .

(vii)  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ ,  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

We need to check whether  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1$  at  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$  is equal to zero or not.

At  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$p\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 3\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 = 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

At  $x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$p\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 3\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 = 3\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  is a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1$  but  $x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$  is not a zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ .

(viii)  $p(x) = 2x + 1$ ,  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

We need to check  $p(x) = 2x + 1$ ,  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  whether is equal to zero or not.

Therefore  $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 2$ , As  $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$

is not the zero of  $P(x)$

**4. Find the zero of the polynomial in each of the following cases:**

(i)  $p(x) = x + 5$

(ii)  $p(x) = x - 5$

(iii)  $p(x) = 2x + 5$

(iv)  $p(x) = 3x - 2$

(v)  $p(x) = 3x$

(vi)  $p(x) = ax, a \neq 0$

(vii)  $p(x) = cx + d, c \neq 0, c, d$  are real numbers.

Ans. (i)  $p(x) = x + 5$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = x + 5$  equal to 0, we get

$$x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -5$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = x + 5$  is  $-5$ .

(ii)  $p(x) = x - 5$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = x - 5$  equal to 0, we get

$$x - 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = x - 5$  is 5.

(iii)  $p(x) = 2x + 5$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = 2x + 5$  equal to 0, we get

$$2x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-5}{2}$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 2x + 5$  is  $\frac{-5}{2}$ .

**(iv)**  $p(x) = 3x - 2$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = 3x - 2$  equal to 0, we get

$$3x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x - 2$  is  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

**(v)**  $p(x) = 3x$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = 3x$  equal to 0, we get

$$3x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = 3x$  is 0.

**(vi)**  $p(x) = ax, a \neq 0$

$ax + b$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = ax$  equal to 0, we get



$$ax = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = ax, a \neq 0$  is 0.

**(vii)**  $p(x) = cx + d, c \neq 0, c, d$  are real numbers.

$cx + d$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, we need to find  $p(x) = 0$ .

On putting  $p(x) = cx + d$  equal to 0, we get

$$cx + d = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{d}{c}.$$

Therefore, we conclude that the zero of the polynomial  $p(x) = cx + d, c \neq 0, c, d$  are real numbers. is  $-\frac{d}{c}$ .