

1. Evaluate by using suitable identity:  $(998)^3$
2. If  $x^2 - 1$  is a factor of  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , show that  $a + c = 0$ .
3. Factorise:
  - a.  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 - 2x - \frac{2}{x}$
  - b.  $x^4 - y^4$
4. Factorise:
  - a.  $27a^3 + 8b^3 + 54a^2b + 36ab^2$
  - b.  $8x^3 + 64$
5. If the polynomial  $p(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - ax + 8$  is divided by  $(x - 2)$  leaves the remainder 10, then find the value of  $a$ .
6. Factorise:  $x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24$
7. Verify that:  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z)[(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2]$
8. Find the value of  $p$  if the polynomial  $p(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - px + 3p - 7$  when divided by  $(x + 1)$  leaves the remainder 19. Also find the remainder when  $p(x)$  is divided by  $(x + 2)$ .