

First factor out a  $-1$ , rewrite the middle term, group the terms, and factor out the common binomial factor.

$$\begin{aligned} -1(3x^2 - 14x - 5) &= -1(3x^2 + x - 15x - 5) = -1[(3x^2 + x) + (-15x - 5)] \\ &= -1[x(3x + 1) - 5(3x + 1)] = -1(3x + 1)(x - 5) \end{aligned}$$