## **Radicals: Adding and Subtracting**

WARNING  $\rightarrow$  One can only add or subtract LIKE radicals.

To Have Like Radicals, the Following Must be True:

- 1. The radicals must have the same index.
- 2. The radicals must have the same radicand.

$$\sqrt{7} + 4\sqrt{7} = 5\sqrt{7}$$
  $6\sqrt[3]{x^2} - 2\sqrt[3]{x^2} = 4\sqrt[3]{x^2}$ 

One cannot add radicals with different indices.  $\sqrt[3]{7} + 4\sqrt{7}$ One cannot add radicals with different radicands.  $\sqrt{11} + 4\sqrt{7}$ 

TRY:

$$\sqrt{5}$$
 - 3 $\sqrt{5}$ 

$$3\sqrt{6a} + 7\sqrt{6a}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{5y} - 4\sqrt[3]{5y} + \sqrt[3]{x} + \sqrt[3]{x}$$