Algebra Unit 1 Line Master 6

Adding and Subtracting Polynomials

1. Add or subtract.

a)
$$2x^2 + x + 2y - 1 + (y^2 + 3y - 2x + 3)$$

b)
$$2x^2 + x + 2y - 1 - (y^2 + 3y - 2x + 3)$$

2. Switch the order of the polynomials in questions 1a and 1b, then add or subtract. Does the answer stay the same?

Does
$$a + b = b + a$$
?

Does
$$a - b = b - a$$
?

Show your thinking.