

$$1) 7a + 5b + (-6a - b) - (9b - a) =$$

$$\text{Probe } a = 1, b = 2$$

$$2) 4x - (3y + 1) - [8 - (7x + y) - 5] + 4x =$$

$$\text{Probe } x = 3, y = 2$$