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Directions: Solve the following problems. Give supporting work/justification where appropriate.

1. [**2 points**] Find the coefficient of x^5 in $(2 - x)^8$. (It is small enough that you will be able to do the computation by hand.)

2. [**2 points**] Use the Binomial Theorem to find a simple formula for $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 8^k (-5)^{n-k}$. Your answer may involve factorials and/or binomial coefficients.

3. **[3 points]** Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Prove that if n is odd and $\binom{n}{2}$ is even, then $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.
4. **[3 parts, 1 point each]** Let A be a set of size $2n$. Answer each question with a simple formula in terms of n ; your formula may involve factorials and/or binomial coefficients. No justification required.
- (a) How many subsets of A are there?
 - (b) How many subsets of A contain exactly half the elements in A ?
 - (c) How many subsets of A contain fewer than half the elements in A ?