

2-4 HW Answer Key

1. $\frac{16x-9}{4(3x+1)}, x \neq -\frac{1}{3}$

2. $\frac{-1}{x-4}, x \neq \pm 4$

3. 7

4. $-\frac{6}{5}$

5. -3

6. $\frac{4}{5}$

7. -1

8. 6

9. -3

10. -1 and 4

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Name Kay (2016)Add or subtract. Identify any x-values for when the expression is undefined.

1. $\frac{4x-5}{12x+4} + \frac{3x-1}{3x+1}$

$$\frac{4x-5}{4(3x+1)} + \frac{3x-1}{3x+1} \cdot \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\frac{4x-5}{4(3x+1)} + \frac{12x-4}{4(3x+1)}$$

$$\frac{16x-9}{4(3x+1)} \quad x \neq -\frac{1}{3}$$

Solve and check for extraneous roots:

2. $\frac{2x+8}{x^2-16} - \frac{3}{x-4}$

$x \neq \pm 4$

$$\frac{2x+8}{(x+4)(x-4)} - \frac{3}{x-4} \cdot \frac{x+4}{x+4}$$

$$\frac{2x+8}{(x+4)(x-4)} - \frac{3x+12}{(x-4)(x+4)}$$

$$\frac{-x-4}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \frac{-1(x+4)}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{x-4}}$$

3. $\frac{x+3}{12} = \frac{5}{6}$

$$6x+18=60$$

$$6x=42$$

$$x=7$$

$$\{7\}$$

4. $\frac{3}{x} = \frac{8}{x-2}$

$x \neq 0, 2$

$$3(x-2) = 8x$$

$$3x-6 = 8x$$

$$-6 = 5x$$

$$-\frac{6}{5} = x$$

$$\{-\frac{6}{5}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x-2}{1}\right) \frac{x^2-1}{x-3} &= \frac{8}{x-3} \left(\frac{x-2}{1}\right) \quad x \neq 3 \\ x^2-1 &= 8 \\ x^2-9 &= 0 \\ (x+3)(x-3) &= 0 \\ x+3=0 & \quad x-3=0 \\ x=-3 & \quad x=3 \\ & \text{reject} \\ \{ -3 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 12x \cdot \left(\frac{6}{3x} + \frac{5}{4} + \frac{3}{x} \right) &= 12x \cdot \frac{8}{x} \quad x \neq 0 \\ \left(\frac{12x}{1} \cdot \frac{6}{3x} + \frac{12x}{1} \cdot \frac{5}{4} + \frac{12x}{1} \cdot \frac{3}{x} \right) &= \left(\frac{12x}{1} \right) \left(\frac{8}{x} \right) \\ 24 + 15x &= 36 \\ 15x &= 12 \\ x &= 12/15 = 4/5 \\ \{ 4/5 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x, 4, 3 &= 12x \\ (x^2-1)(x-3) &= 8(x-3) \\ x^3-3x^2-x+3 &= 8x-24 \\ x^3-3x^2-9x+27 &= 0 \\ x^2(x-3)-9(x-3) &= 0 \\ (x-3)(x^2-9) &= 0 \\ x=3 \quad x=\pm 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 7. \quad \frac{x+3}{\frac{3x+6}{3(x+2)}} + \frac{4}{x+2} &= \frac{14}{3} \quad x \neq -2 \\ \frac{3(x+2)}{1} \left(\frac{x+3}{3(x+2)} + \frac{4}{x+2} \right) &= \frac{14}{3} \left(\frac{3(x+2)}{1} \right) \\ x+3 + 12 &= 14(x+2) \\ x+15 &= 14x+28 \\ -13 &= 13x \\ -1 &= x \\ \{ -1 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8. \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{x} &= \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \quad x \neq 0 \\ \left(\frac{6x}{1} \right) \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{6x}{1} \right) \frac{2}{x} &= \left(\frac{6x}{1} \right) \frac{3}{x} + \left(\frac{6x}{1} \right) \frac{1}{3} \\ 3x + 12 &= 18 + 2x \\ x &= 6 \\ \{ 6 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$2, x, 3 = 6x$$

$$9. \frac{x}{x-2} + \frac{x}{x^2-4} = \frac{x+3}{x+2} \quad x \neq \pm 2 \quad 10. \frac{12}{x-1} - \frac{8}{x} = 2$$

$$\frac{(x+2)(x+2)}{1} \left(\frac{x}{x-2} \right) + \frac{(x+2)(x+2)}{1} \left(\frac{x}{(x+2)(x-2)} \right) = \frac{(x+2)(x+2)}{1} \left(\frac{x+3}{x+2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(x+2) + x &= (x-2)(x+3) \\ x^2 + 2x + x &= x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6 \\ 3x &= x - 6 \\ 2x &= -6 \\ x &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$10. \frac{12}{x-1} \left(\frac{x(x-1)}{1} \right) - \frac{8}{x} \left(\frac{x(x-1)}{1} \right) = \frac{2}{1} \left(\frac{x(x-1)}{1} \right) \quad x \neq 0, 1$$

$$12x - 8(x-1) = 2x(x-1)$$

$$12x - 8x + 8 = 2x^2 - 2x$$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 6x - 8$$

$$0 = x^2 - 3x - 4$$

$$0 = (x-4)(x+1)$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x-4=0 & x+1=0 \\ x=4 & x=-1 \end{array}$$

$$\{ -1, 4 \}$$

Rational Expressions

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Warm-Up

$$1. \quad 2a \left(\frac{2}{a} + 4 + \frac{4}{2a} \right) \quad a \neq 0$$

$$2 \cancel{\left(\frac{2}{a} \right)} = 2a(4) + 2 \cancel{a} \left(\frac{4}{\cancel{2a}} \right)$$

$$4 = 8a + 4$$

$$0 = 8a$$

$$\cancel{0 = a} \text{ reject } \emptyset$$

$$x(x-4) \left(\frac{x+4}{x} + \frac{3}{x-4} \right) = \frac{-16}{x^2-4x} \cdot x(x-4)$$

$$\cancel{x(x-4)} \left(\frac{x+4}{\cancel{x}} \right) + \cancel{x(x-4)} \left(\frac{3}{\cancel{x-4}} \right) = \cancel{x(x-4)} \left(\frac{-16}{x^2-4x} \right)$$

$$(x+4) + 3 = -16$$

$$x^2 + 4x - 4x - 16 + 3x = -16$$

$$x^2 + 3x = 0$$

$$x(x+3) = 0$$

$$\frac{x=0}{\text{reject}} \mid x=-3$$

$$x \neq 0, 4$$

$$\{ -3 \}$$

Complex Fractions

Def → A complex fraction is a fraction in which the numerator or denominator contain one or more fractions or negative exponents.

- ❖ To simplify means to write it as a fraction in lowest terms with no fractions in the numerator or denominator.
- ❖ In order to simplify a complex fraction, multiply the numerator and denominator by the LCD of all the fractions. (Think, "How can I multiply to get rid of these denominators?")
- ❖ Note: Remember to distribute the LCD when you have a binomial numerator or denominator.

Simplify

$$\frac{2x \left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{x} \right)}{2x \left(\frac{1}{2x} \right)} = \frac{\cancel{2x} \left(\cancel{\frac{x}{2}} + \cancel{\frac{1}{x}} \right)}{\cancel{2x} \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{2x}} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + 2}{1}$$

$$= \boxed{x^2 + 2}$$

$$\frac{x^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x} \right)}{x^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)} = \frac{x^2(1) - x^2 \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)}{x^2(1) - x^2 \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 - x}{x^2 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{x \cancel{(x-1)}}{\cancel{(x-1)}(x+1)} = \boxed{\frac{x}{x+1}}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right) = x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{x}} \right) - x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{y}} \right) \\
 \text{3. } x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{y^2} \right) = \cancel{x} y^2 \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{x}} \right) - x^2 \cancel{y} \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{y}} \right)
 \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{xy^2 - x^2y}{y^2 - x^2}$$

$$= \frac{xy(\cancel{y-x})}{(\cancel{y-x})(y+x)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{xy}{y+x}}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 y^2 \left(4 - \frac{1}{y^2} \right) = y^2(4) - \cancel{y^2} \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{y^2}} \right) \\
 \text{4. } y^2 \left(\frac{2}{y} - \frac{1}{y^2} \right) = y^2 \left(\frac{2}{\cancel{y}} \right) - \cancel{y^2} \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{y^2}} \right)
 \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{4y^2 - 1}{2y - 1}$$

$$= \frac{(2y+1)(\cancel{2y-1})}{\cancel{2y-1}}$$

$$= \boxed{2y+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \quad & 2x \left(\frac{\frac{3}{x} + \frac{x}{2}}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} \right) = \frac{\cancel{2x} \left(\frac{\cancel{3}}{\cancel{x}} \right) + \cancel{2x} \left(\frac{\cancel{x}}{\cancel{2}} \right)}{2x(1) - \cancel{2x} \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{x}} \right)} \\
 & = \frac{6 + x^2}{2x - 2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 6. \quad & \frac{xy \left(\frac{y}{x} - 1 \right)}{xy \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right)} = \frac{xy \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) - xy(1)}{xy \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) - xy \left(\frac{1}{y} \right)} \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \textcircled{\cdot y}
 \end{aligned}$$

Discuss with partner and write a response:

a) What is a complex fraction?

b) Can you think of another way to simplify the complex fraction below (example 1 from earlier)?
Try.

$$\frac{\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{2x}}$$

c) Would multiplying by the reciprocal be a good choice for example 2 shown below? Try it. Why or why not?

$$\frac{1 - \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

