

Do you really understand??...Let's find out...

$$\frac{2x-3}{3x^2} + \frac{3x+3}{9x}$$

$\left[\frac{3(2x-3) + 1(3x+3)}{9x^2} \right] \cdot x$

$$= \frac{6x-9+3x^2+3x}{9x^2}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2+9x-9}{9x^2}$$

$$= \frac{3(x^2+3x-3)}{9x^2}$$

$$= \frac{x^2+3x-3}{3x^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{4y}{(y-1)(y+1)} - \frac{2}{y} - \frac{2}{y+1}$$

$$= \frac{4y(y) - 2(y-1)(y+1) - 2y(y-1)}{(y-1)(y+1)(y)}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{2}{(y-1)y} \quad y \neq 1, -1, 0$$

$$\frac{2z}{1-2z} + \frac{3z}{2z+1} - \frac{3}{4z^2-1}$$

$$\frac{2z}{1-2z} + \frac{3z}{2z+1} - \frac{3}{(2z-1)(2z+1)}$$

$$\frac{2z}{-(-1+2z)} + \frac{3z}{2z+1} - \frac{3}{(2z-1)(2z+1)}$$

$$\frac{-2z(2z+1) + 3z(2z-1) - 3}{(2z-1)(2z+1)}$$

$$= \frac{-4z^2 - 2z + 6z^2 - 3z - 3}{(2z-1)(2z+1)}$$

$$= \frac{2z^2 - 5z - 3}{(2z+1)(2z-1)} \rightarrow \frac{2z^2 - 6z + z - 3}{(2z+1)(z-3)}$$

$$= \frac{2z(z-3) + 1(z-3)}{(2z+1)(z-3)}$$

$$= \frac{(2z+1)(z-3)}{(2z+1)(z-3)}$$

$$\frac{2x}{x^2-4} - \frac{1}{x^2-3x+2} + \frac{x+1}{x^2+x-2}$$

$$\frac{2x}{(x-2)(x+2)} - \frac{1}{(x-2)(x-1)} + \frac{x+1}{(x+2)(x-1)}$$

$$\frac{2x(x-1) - 1(x+2) + (x+1)(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+2)(x-1)}$$

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

$$= \frac{3x^2 - 4x - 4}{(x-2)(x+2)(x-1)} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 3x^2 - 6x + 2x - 4 \\ 3x(x-2) + 2(x-2) \\ (x-2)(3x+2) \end{matrix}$$

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

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

part II : Open response

Show all work for each of the following in the space provided.

1. Simplify each of the following rational expressions and state all restrictions on the variables:

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(a) $\frac{v^2-3v-40}{v^2-11v+24}$

$$\frac{(v-8)(v+5)}{(v-8)(v-3)} = \frac{v+5}{v-3}, v \neq 8, 3$$

(b) $\frac{20n^3 + 4n^2}{50n^2 + 10n} + \frac{4n^2}{6n^5}$

$$\frac{4n^2(5n+1)}{10n(5n+1)} + \frac{6n^5}{4n^2} = \frac{24n^4}{40n^2} = \frac{3}{5}n^2$$

Restrictions: $n \neq 0, -\frac{1}{5}$

(c) $\frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{4}{x-6} + \frac{5}{x}$

(d) $\frac{x^2+3x-4}{x^2-9x+20} + \frac{4x+24}{25-x^2} \times \frac{x^2+2x-24}{x^2+x-12} + \frac{x^2+4x-5}{2x-6}$

$$\frac{2(x)(x-6) - 4x(x+3) + 5(x+3)(x-6)}{x(x+3)(x-6)}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 - 12x - 4x^2 - 12x + 5(x^2 - 3x - 18)}{x(x+3)(x-6)}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2 - 39x - 90}{x(x+3)(x-6)} \leftarrow \frac{3(x^2 - 13x - 30)}{x(x+3)(x-6)}$$

$$\frac{3(x-15)(x+2)}{x(x+3)(x-6)}$$

2. Solve the following equation:

$$\sqrt{x-2} - \sqrt{2x-6} = 1$$

[6]

$$(\sqrt{x-2})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{2x-6})^2$$

$$x-2 = 1 + 2\sqrt{2x-6} + 2x-6$$

$$x-2-1-2x+6 = 2\sqrt{2x-6}$$

$$(-x+3)^2 = (2\sqrt{2x-6})^2$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 4(2x-6)$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 8x - 24$$

$$x^2 - 14x + 33 = 0$$

$$(x-11)(x-3) = 0$$

$x = 11, 3$

$x=11$ is extraneous

Verify:

LS: $x=11$

RS: $x=3$

$$(d) \frac{x^2 + 3x - 4}{x^2 - 9x + 20} \div \frac{4x + 24}{25 - x^2} \times \frac{x^2 + 2x - 24}{x^2 + x - 12} \div \frac{x^2 + 4x - 5}{2x - 6}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{(x+7)}\cancel{(x-1)}}{\cancel{(x-5)}\cancel{(x-4)}} \cdot \frac{\overset{-1}{\cancel{(5-x)}}\cancel{(5+x)}}{\underset{+}{\cancel{(x+6)}}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{(x+6)}\cancel{(x-4)}}{\cancel{(x+7)}\cancel{(x-3)}} \cdot \frac{\overset{2}{\cancel{(x-3)}}}{\cancel{(x+5)}\cancel{(x-1)}}$$

$$x \neq 5, 4, -6, -5, 3, 1, -4$$

$$= -\frac{2}{4} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$