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PAP Algebra II Explore: 9.1 Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions

Simplify the following expressions, list any excluded values.

$$A. \quad \frac{2}{x} + \frac{3}{x} = \frac{5}{x}$$

$$B. \quad \frac{4}{x+2} + \frac{5}{x+2} = \frac{9}{x+2}$$

$$C. \quad \text{Given: } \frac{2}{x+3} + \frac{7}{x-1} = ?$$

What is the first step in problem C? Common Denom.

For problem C, the common denominator is $(x+3)(x-1)$.

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

What fraction could be multiplied that equals one and creates a common denominator?

$$\frac{7}{x-1} \cdot \frac{x+3}{x+3} = \frac{7(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-1)} \Rightarrow \frac{7x+21}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

Now that you have a common denominator, what is the resulting answer? (Make sure to list excluded values)

$$\frac{7x+21 + 2x-2}{(x+3)(x-1)} = \frac{9x+19}{(x+3)(x-1)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x \neq -3 \\ x \neq 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$D. \quad \frac{(3a)3a}{(3a)2b^2c^3} + \frac{b(b^2c)}{6ac^2(b^2c)}$$

CD: $6abc^3$

$$\frac{9a^2}{6abc^3} + \frac{b^3c}{6abc^3} \Rightarrow \frac{9a^2 + b^3c}{6abc^3}$$

Calculate each sum or difference. Make sure to list the restrictions for the variable, and simplify when possible.

a. $\frac{5x-6}{x^2-9} - \frac{4}{x-3} \frac{(x+3)}{(x+3)}$

$$\frac{5x-6-4x-12}{x^2-9} = \boxed{\frac{x-18}{x^2-9}} \quad \boxed{x \neq -3, 3}$$

b. $\frac{(x-5)x-7}{x^2-3x+2} + \frac{4}{x^2-7x+10} \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)}$
 $\frac{x-5}{x-2} \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)} + \frac{4}{x-5} \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)}$

$$\frac{x^2-12x+35+4x-4}{(x-2)(x-1)(x-5)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{x^2-8x+31}{(x-2)(x-1)(x-5)}} \quad \boxed{x \neq 2, 1, 5}$$

c. $\frac{(5)2x-5}{(5)x} - \frac{4}{5x} - 4\left(\frac{5x}{5x}\right)$

$$\frac{10x-25-4-20x}{5x} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{-10x-29}{5x}} \quad \boxed{x \neq 0}$$

d. $\frac{(3)3x-5}{4x^2+12x+9} + \frac{4x(2x+3)}{2x+3} \frac{2x}{3} \frac{(4x^2+12x+9)}{3(2x+3)(2x+3)}$
 $\frac{3}{3} \frac{(3x-5)}{(2x+3)(2x+3)}$

	2x + 3	
2x	4x ²	6x
+ 3	6x	9

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$$\frac{9x-15+24x+36-8x^2-24x^2-18x}{3(4x^2+12x+9)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{-8x^2-24x^2+15x-18x+21}{3(4x^2+12x+9)}} \quad \boxed{x \neq -3/2}$$

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$$1. \frac{5}{2a+3} + \frac{3a}{2a+3} = \frac{3a+5}{2a+3}$$

$$\frac{x+5}{x+5} \cdot \frac{7}{x-5} + \frac{3}{x+5} \cdot \frac{x-5}{x-5}$$

$$7x+35 + 3x-15$$

$$\frac{10x+20}{(x+5)(x-5)}$$

$$3. \frac{m}{4m+8} - \frac{1}{m^2+2m}$$

m) $4(m+2)$ $m(m+2)(4)$

$$4. \frac{x-1}{x^2-36} - \frac{5x-5}{x^2+5x-6} - \frac{9(x-6)}{(x+6)(x-6)(x-6)}$$

$(x-1)(x+6)(x-6)$ $(x+6)(x-1)(x-6)$

$$\frac{m^2-4}{4m(m+2)}$$

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

$$\frac{-4x+49}{(x+6)(x-6)(x-1)}$$

$$5. \frac{n}{n^2-n-20} + \frac{2(n-5)}{n+4(n-5)}$$

$(n-5)(n+4)$

$$\frac{3n-10}{(n-5)(n+4)}$$

$$6. \frac{m^2 - 3m - 6m + 18}{m^2 + 5m + 6} + \frac{m^2 - 3m - 6m - 18}{m^2 - 4m - 12} \quad (m+3)$$

$(m+3)(m+2) \quad (m-6)(m+2)(m+3)$

$$\frac{2m^2 - 12m}{(m-6)(m+3)(m+2)} = \frac{2m(m-6)}{(m-6)(m+3)(m+2)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2m}{(m+3)(m+2)}}$$

$$8. \frac{(m-3)m}{m^2+3m} - \frac{3m}{m^2-9}$$

$(m-3)m(m+3) \quad (m+3)(m-3)m$

$$\frac{m^2 - 3m - [3m^2]}{m(m+3)(m-3)}$$

$$\frac{-2m^2 - 3m}{m(m+3)(m-3)} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{-2m-3}{(m+3)(m-3)}}$$

$$10. \frac{4x}{x^2-16} - \frac{x+2}{x-4} \quad \frac{(x+4)}{(x+4)}$$

$(x+4)(x-4)$

$$\frac{4x - [x^2 + 4x + 2x + 8]}{(x+4)(x-4)}$$

$$\frac{-x^2 - 2x - 8}{(x+4)(x-4)} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{-(x^2 + 2x + 8)}{(x+4)(x-4)}}$$

$$\frac{4c^2}{4c^2} \frac{2c}{3a^2b} + \frac{a}{4bc^2} \frac{(3a^2)}{(3a^2)} \frac{12a^2bc^2}{12a^2bc^2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{8c^3 + 3a^3}{12a^2bc^2}}$$

$$9. \frac{x^2+x}{x^2+5x+6} - \frac{2x+6}{x^2+3x+2}$$

$(x+1)(x+3) \quad (x+2)(x+1)(x+3)$

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

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