


Algebra 2      8.2  *new denom*  
Determine the LCM of polynomials  
Add and subtract rational expressions

LCM  
denominator  
numerator  
complex fraction  
whiteboards?

What denominator will work? (LCM)

What do I need? (FFOO)

Combine terms (EWE, whatever)

Simplify

$$\frac{5a^3}{2b} \cdot \frac{3a^2}{16b^2} + \frac{-8x}{5a^3b} \cdot \frac{16b}{16b} = \frac{15a^5}{80b^2a^3} + \frac{-128bx}{80b^2a^3}$$

$$= \frac{15a^5 + -128bx}{80b^2a^3}$$

$$3B. \frac{3}{3} \frac{x-8}{4x^2+21x+5} + \frac{6}{12x+3} \frac{x+5}{x+5}$$

$(4x+1)(x+5)$      $3(4x+1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 1 \ 20 \end{array} (4x^2 + 20x + 5)$$

$$4x(x+5) + 1(x+5)$$

$$= \frac{3(x-8)}{3(4x+1)(x+5)} + \frac{6(x+5)}{3(4x+1)(x+5)}$$

Factor first!

$$\frac{3x-24+6x+30}{3(4x+1)(x+5)}$$

$$\frac{9x+6}{3(4x+1)(x+5)}$$

$$\frac{3x+2}{(4x+1)(x+5)}$$

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

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

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

$$\frac{\cancel{x}(-x+4)}{2\cancel{x}(x+4)}$$

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

### Guided Practice

Simplify each expression.

$$3A. \frac{x-1}{x^2-x-6} + \frac{-4(x-3)}{5x+10}$$

$(x-3)(x+2)$      $5(x+2)$

Subtraction: be careful

$$(x-1) \cdot (x-3)$$

$$\frac{5(x-1)}{5(x-3)(x+2)} + \frac{-4(x-3)}{5(x-3)(x+2)}$$

$$5x-5-4x+12 \quad \frac{x+7}{5(x-3)(x+2)}$$

$$24. \frac{r+2}{r+2} \left( \frac{r+6}{r} + \frac{-1}{r+2} \right)$$

$$\frac{(r+2)(r+6)}{r(r+2)} + \frac{-r}{r(r+2)}$$

$$\frac{r^2+4r+3}{r^2+2r}$$

$$r^2+8r+12-r$$

$\frac{12}{7}$

$$\frac{r^2+7r+12}{r(r+2)}$$

$$\frac{r^2+2r}{r^2+4r+3}$$

$\frac{3}{4}$

$$\frac{(r+4)(r+3)}{r(r+2)}$$

$$\frac{r(r+2)}{(r+1)(r+3)}$$

$$\frac{r+4}{r+1}$$

**Guided Practice**

Simplify each expression.

4A.  $\frac{x(1 - \frac{y}{x})}{\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x}}$

$$\frac{\left(\frac{x-y}{x}\right)}{\left(\frac{x+y}{xy}\right)} = \frac{\cancel{xy} \cdot y}{x+y} \cdot \frac{y(x-y)}{\cancel{xy}} = \frac{xy - y^2}{x+y}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{5y^2} S}{\cancel{5y^2} 12x^4y} + \frac{-1 \cdot \frac{12x^2}{\cancel{5}x^2} \cdot \cancel{25y^2}}{\cancel{5}x^2y^3} + \frac{-12x^2}{60x^4y^3}$$

$$\frac{1}{(a+3)} + \frac{1}{(a+5)}$$

$$\frac{25y^2 + -12x^2}{60x^4y^3}$$

$$\frac{a+5+a+3}{(a+3)(a+5)} = \frac{2a+8}{(a+3)(a+5)}$$

**4B.**  $\frac{\frac{c}{d} - \frac{d}{c}}{\frac{d}{c} + 2}$

