10.4 Solve Rational Equations

NOTES Write your SOLVE. CHECK FOR EXTRANEOUS SOLUTIONS! questions here! $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{x} = \frac{2}{5}$ $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{x}{4} = 2$ Excluded Value(s): $\frac{2}{3x} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{3x}$ $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{x+3} = x$ $\frac{2x}{x^2 - x - 12} + \frac{5}{x + 3} = \frac{2}{x - 4}$ $\frac{6}{x-3} = \frac{8x^2}{x^2-9} - \frac{4x}{x+3}$



$$\frac{18}{x^2 - 3x} - \frac{6}{x - 3} = \frac{5}{x}$$

SUMMARY:



PRACTICE

Solve each equation. Check for extraneous solutions.

 1.

$$\frac{a+4}{2a} + 2 = \frac{3}{2}$$
 2.

 3.
 $\frac{3m+15}{m^2} - \frac{1}{m} = 1$

 3.
 $8 = \frac{1+2x}{3x-5}$
 4.

 $\frac{4}{3} - \frac{y}{y+1} = \frac{1}{2}$
 5.

 $\frac{-3d}{4d+8} + 2 = \frac{5}{d+2}$
 6.

 $\frac{-4}{n-2} = \frac{n}{3n-6}$

 7.
 $\frac{1}{r+2} + \frac{r-1}{r^2+6r+8} = \frac{1}{r+4}$

 8.
 $\frac{1}{5w-5} = \frac{1}{w-3} + \frac{w+2}{5w^2-20w+15}$

9.

$$\frac{1}{k^{2}} + \frac{k+3}{2k} = \frac{1}{2}$$
10.

$$\frac{9}{h^{2} - 6h + 9} = \frac{3h}{h^{2} - 3h}$$
ERROR ANALYSIS Describe and correct the error.
11.

$$\frac{3}{x^{2}} + \frac{5}{2x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$6x + 5x = x^{2}$$

$$11x = x^{2}$$

$$0 = x^{2} - 11x$$

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

$$x \neq 0$$
 because it extraneous

Algebra Skillz				
GRAPH	SIMPLIFY	SOLVE		
1. Sketch a graph of $f(x) = x + 3 - 4$	2. $3\sqrt{2}(2+4\sqrt{5})$	4. Factor: $7x^2 + 72x + 20$		
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3. $(5 + \sqrt{2})(3 - \sqrt{2})$	5. Solve by factoring. $4x^2 - 81 = 0$		

APPLICATION

Solve. Check for extraneous solutions.

4x - 2	_	5
x+5	_	-0

1.

$$\frac{4}{b-3} + \frac{6}{3b-9} = \frac{b}{3}$$

3. Mr. Kelly has a head cold and takes some Algebrobitussin Cough Syrup to help him feel better. The concentration C (in mg) of medicine in his bloodstream is modeled by the equation below. Where t is the time (in hours) after taking the medicine.

2.

$$C(t) = \frac{50t}{t^2 + 25}$$

- a. What does C(2.5) mean? Find it.
- b. What does C(t) = 4 mean? Find it.

- c. Graph with a friendly window that shows a 24 hour time period of the medicine concentration. Record below.
- d. What is the maximum concentration?
- e. The label says not to operate heavy machinery if your concentration is 3 or above. When is it safe for Mr. Kelly to operate heavy machinery?





4. **I WORK OUT** Classic Algebra work problems can be solved using rational equations. Check this one out. Mr. Bean can make 1 Algebro video in 8 hours. If Mr. Sullivan helps him, they can finish 1 video in 2 hours. How fast can Mr. Sullivan make a video on his own? The table helps to explain the equation that models this.

	Work Rate	· Time =	= Work Done
Mr. Bean	1 video 8 hours	2 hours	$\frac{2}{8}$ of a video
Mr. Sullivan	<u>1 video</u> x hours	2 hours	$\frac{2}{x}$ of a video

 $\frac{2}{8} + \frac{2}{x} = 1$

Solve the equation that models this situation. \longrightarrow

5. YOU WORK OUT Now, fill out a table like the one above and create your own equation to solve this problem. Mr. Kelly can make a quilt in 12 hours. If Mr. Brust helps him, they can finish a quilt in 10 hours. How fast can Mr. Brust make a quilt on his own?

	Work Rate	· Time =	= Work Done
Mr. Kelly			
Mr. Brust			

6. SAT PREP

MULITPLE CHOICE	GRID IN
What is(are) the solutions(s) of $\frac{2}{x-3} = \frac{1}{x^2-2x-3}$ (A) $-3, -\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $-\frac{1}{2}, 3$ (C) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (D) 3 (E) None of the above	Find the value of k , $\frac{\frac{k}{x}}{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{12}{-x}$ (0) (0) (1)

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