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## SOLVING RATIONAL EQUATIONS WORKSHEET

- Steps:
- 1) Determine values that are eliminated from the domain.
  - 2) Factor the denominator of each fraction and find the LCD.
  - 3) Eliminate all fractions by multiply ALL terms by the LCD.
  - 4) Solve the resulting equation.
  - 5) Check for extraneous solutions.

Use cross multiplication to solve the rational equations.

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

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

$$3) \frac{2}{x} = \frac{x}{5x+12}$$

$$4) \frac{2x-3}{x+1} = \frac{x+6}{x-2}$$

Solve.

$$5) \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{2n^2}$$

$$6) \frac{p+5}{p^2+p} = \frac{1}{p^2+p} - \frac{p-6}{p+1}$$

$$7) \frac{2}{x^2-1} - \frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$8) \frac{5}{x-2} = 7 - \frac{10}{x+2}$$

$$9) \frac{3}{x-5} - \frac{20}{x^2-25} = \frac{2}{x+5}$$

$$10) \frac{2}{3x^2+12x} + \frac{8}{2x}$$

$$11) \frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{6x}{2x+1}$$

$$12) \frac{2x}{3x+3} - \frac{2}{x+5}$$

$$13) \frac{x}{x+3} - \frac{3}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x^2+5x+6}$$

$$14) \frac{2x}{x^2-4} \div \frac{4}{x^2-4x+4} + \frac{12}{x^2-4} \cdot \frac{2-x}{3}$$