

## INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA

## TEST 3

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No books and no notes. Be sure to set up each problem before evaluation. Show all work in the space provided for full credit.

1. Evaluate the following: (8 points)

$$\frac{2x^2 - 3x - 2}{(x+1)(7x+1)} \div \frac{(x-2)(x+3)}{7x^2 + 8x + 1}$$

$$\frac{(2x+1)(x-2)}{(x+1)(7x+1)} \times \frac{(7x+1)(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+3)}$$

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



2. Simplify the following complex fractions. (8 points)

$$\left(\frac{4}{y} + \frac{8}{y^2}\right) y^2 \quad \text{LCD: } y^2$$

$$\left(\frac{6}{y} + \frac{12}{y^2}\right) y^2 = \frac{4y+8}{6y+12} = \frac{2(y+2)}{3(y+2)} = \frac{2}{3}$$



(-2)

3. Solve the equation and give the domain and the solution set. (12 points)

$$\cancel{x-3} \left( \frac{5}{x-3} - \frac{3}{x+3} \right) = \left( \frac{4}{x^2-9} \right) \cancel{x^2-9} \quad \text{LCD: } (x-3)(x+3) \text{ or } (x^2-9)$$

$\rightarrow (-\infty, -10) \text{ or } (-10, \infty)$

Domain:  $\{x | x \neq -10\}$

Sol. Set  $\{x | x = -10\}$

$$5(x+3) - 3(x-3) = 4$$

$$5x + 15 - 3x + 9 = 4$$

$$2x = 4 - 24$$

$$x = -\frac{20}{2} \quad \boxed{x = -10}$$

4. Find the missing number in the proportion. (12 points)

$$\text{a) } \left( \frac{k}{12} \right) \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) 12 \quad \text{LCD: } 12$$

$$\boxed{k = 16}$$

or cross method

$$3k = 12 \cdot 4$$

$$k = \frac{12 \cdot 4}{3}$$

$$\boxed{k = 16}$$

$$\text{b) } \left( \frac{y}{15} \right) \left( \frac{30}{45} \right) 45 \quad \text{LCD: } 45$$

or cross method

$$3y = 30$$

$$y = 10$$

$$45y = 30 \cdot 15$$

$$y = \frac{15}{9} \quad \boxed{y = 10}$$

5. The current in a simple electrical circuit is inversely proportional to the resistance. If the current is 5 Amperes when the resistance is 20 ohms, find the current when the resistance is 25 ohms. (10 points)

[Hint:  $y = \frac{k}{x}$ :  $y$  varies inversely as  $x$ .]

$$y = 5 \text{ amperes}$$

$x = 20 \text{ ohms}$

$k = ?$

$$5 = \frac{k}{20}$$

$$\boxed{k = 100}$$

Replace  $k = 100$

And  $y = ?$

$$k = 100$$

$$x = 25$$

$$y = \frac{100}{25}$$

$$\boxed{y = 4 \text{ amperes}}$$

6. Assume all variables represent positive real numbers. Simplify the following (if possible): (12 points)

a)  $\sqrt[3]{-\frac{27}{64}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{-3^3}{4^3}}$

$$\boxed{= -\frac{3}{4}} \quad \checkmark$$

b)  $\sqrt[4]{81x^3y} - \sqrt[4]{16x^7y}$   
 $= \sqrt[4]{3^4x^3y} - \sqrt[4]{2^4x^4x^3y}$   
 $= 3\sqrt[4]{x^3y} - 2xy\sqrt[4]{x^3y}$   
 $= (3 - 2xy)\sqrt[4]{x^3y}$

7. Rationalize the denominator in the following expression. (8 points)

$$\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{7}+(\sqrt{3}))} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow = \frac{2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{21} + 2\sqrt{3} + 3}{7 - 3} \quad \checkmark \\ & = \frac{2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{21} + 2\sqrt{3} + 3}{4} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

8. Solve each equation and give the solution set. (16 points)

a)  $(x+10)^2 = 6$

$$x+10 = \pm\sqrt{6} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} x+10 &= \sqrt{6} \quad | -10 \\ x &= \sqrt{6} - 10 \quad | \quad x+10 = -\sqrt{6} \quad | \\ x &= -\sqrt{6} - 10 \quad | \quad \checkmark \\ \text{Sol. set } \{x \mid x = \pm\sqrt{6} - 10\} & \quad | \quad \cancel{\text{X}} \end{aligned}$$

b)  $(a-4)^3 = 8$   $\checkmark$

$$\begin{aligned} a-4 &= \sqrt[3]{8} \\ a-4 &= 2 \\ a &= 2+4 \\ a &= 6 \quad | \end{aligned}$$

let  $a-4 = k$   
 $k^3 = 8$   
 $k = 2$   
 $a-4 = 2$   
 $a = 6$

Sol. set  $\{a \mid a = 6\}$

9. Write the following in standard form. (16 points)

a)  $(8-i)(5-2i)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 8(5-2i) - i(5-2i) \\ &= 40 - 16i - 5i + 2i^2 \\ &= 40 - 21i + 2(-1) \\ &= 40 - 2 - 21i \\ &= \boxed{38 - 21i} \quad | \end{aligned}$$

b)  $\frac{3i}{5-4i} \cdot \frac{(5+4i)}{(5+4i)}$

$$= \frac{15i + 12i^2}{25 - 16i^2}$$

$$= \frac{15i + 12(-1)}{25 - 16(-1)}$$

$$= \frac{15i - 12}{41}$$

$$= \frac{12}{41} - \frac{15}{41}i \quad | \quad \checkmark$$