

Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

1. $\frac{x^2 - 2x - 15}{x^2 + x - 12} \cdot \frac{2x^2 - 6x}{x^3 + 3x^2}$

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

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

2. $\frac{3x^4 y^2}{16x^3 yz^2} \cdot \frac{8xyz^3}{21x^2 y}$

$$\frac{x^5 y^3 z^3}{14x^5 y^2 z^2} = \frac{yz}{14}$$

3. $\frac{x^2 + 8x + 12}{x^2 - 7x + 10} \div \frac{x^2 + 10x + 24}{x^2 + x - 6}$

$$\frac{(x+6)(x+2)}{(x-5)(x-2)} \cdot \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x+6)(x+4)}$$

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

4. $\frac{x+1}{x^2-1} \cdot \frac{x^2+4x-5}{3x} \div \frac{x^2+7x+10}{36x^2}$

$$\frac{(x+1)(x+5)(x-1)(3x)(12x)}{(x+1)(x-1)(3x)(x+5)(x+2)}$$

$$\frac{12x}{x+2}$$

5. $\frac{5x}{x^2 + 2x - 15} - \frac{2}{x+5} \frac{(x-3)}{(x-3)}$

$$\frac{(5x) - (2x-6)}{(x+5)(x-3)}$$

$$\frac{3x+6}{(x+5)(x-3)}$$

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

$$\frac{(9) + (2x^2 - 4x)}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

$$\frac{2x^2 - 4x + 9}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

7. I am growing a vegetable garden in my backyard as shown below.
Write a simplified rational expression for the ratio of the garden's perimeter to its area.

$$\frac{P}{A} = \frac{28x}{49x^2} = \frac{4}{7x}$$

7x

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8. Simplify the complex fraction.

$$\frac{\frac{5(x+2) + 4(x)}{x(x+2)}}{\frac{3}{5x+10}} = \frac{5(x+2) + 4x}{x(x+2)} = \frac{5x+10+4x}{x(x+2)}$$

$$\frac{9x+10}{(x)(x+2)} \cdot \frac{5(x+2)}{3}$$

$$\frac{45x+50}{3x}$$