

Review - Rational Functions

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Simplify each expression.

1) $\frac{x+6y}{15xy^2} - \frac{x+3y}{15xy^2}$

2) $\frac{2}{7} - \frac{6}{7p-3}$

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

4) $\frac{8b}{2b^2 + b - 3} + \frac{3}{8}$

5) $\frac{20}{5} \cdot \frac{8x}{18}$

6) $\frac{10}{19} \cdot \frac{4n^2}{13}$

$$7) \frac{8a^2}{28a+8} \div \frac{8}{28a+8}$$

$$8) \frac{2v-8}{2} \div \frac{v^2+v-20}{v+7}$$

$$9) \frac{7n^2 - 64n - 60}{14n + 12} \cdot \frac{10n - 4}{5n^2 + 48n - 20}$$

$$10) \frac{x+1}{20x-40} \cdot \frac{20x-40}{24x}$$

$$11) \frac{49k^2 - 35k - 24}{7k + 3} \div \frac{49k^2 - 91k + 40}{7k^2 + 2k - 5}$$

Solve each equation. Remember to check for extraneous solutions.

$$12) \frac{7}{n^2 + 7n} = \frac{1}{n+7} - \frac{1}{n^2 + 7n}$$

$$13) \frac{1}{x^2 + 3x} - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{x-2}{x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x}$$

Simplify each expression.

$$14) \frac{\frac{x-5}{25} + \frac{x-5}{5}}{\frac{25}{x+5} - \frac{2x-10}{x+5}}$$

$$15) \frac{\frac{4}{2x-5} + \frac{2x-5}{4}}{\frac{2x-3}{x-5} - \frac{4}{2x-5}}$$

Identify the holes, vertical asymptotes, x-intercepts, and horizontal asymptote of each. Then sketch the graph.

$$16) \ f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{3x^2 + 6x - 9}$$

$$17) \ f(x) = \frac{x - 4}{3x + 9}$$

$$18) \ f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 8x}{x^2 - 7x + 12}$$

$$19) \ f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 7x + 12}{-2x^2 - 10x - 12}$$

Find the domain by factoring completely and then graphing.

$$20) \ \sqrt{x^6 - 3x^4 - 25x^2 + 75}$$

Answers to Review - Rational Functions

1) $\frac{1}{5xy}$

2) $\frac{14p - 48}{7(7p - 3)}$

3) $\frac{2n^2 + 9n - 7}{(n+5)(n-1)}$

4) $\frac{67b + 6b^2 - 9}{8(2b+3)(b-1)}$

5) $\frac{16x}{9}$

6) $\frac{40n^2}{247}$

7) a^2

8) $\frac{v+7}{v+5}$

9) $\frac{n-10}{n+10}; \left\{-\frac{6}{7}, \frac{2}{5}, -10\right\}$

10) $\frac{x+1}{24x}; \{2, 0\}$

11) $k+1; \left\{-\frac{3}{7}, \frac{5}{7}, -1, \frac{8}{7}\right\}$

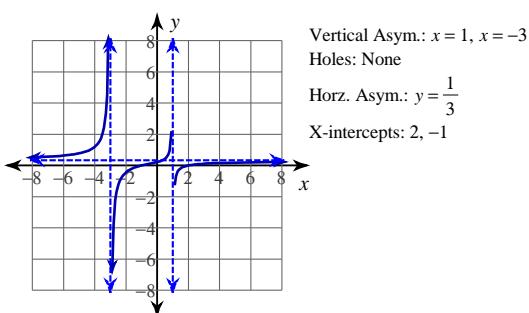
12) $\{8\}$

13) $\{-4\}$

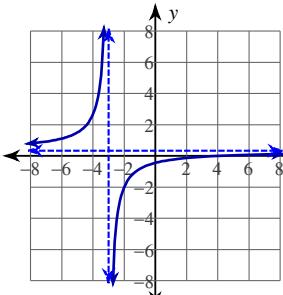
14) $\frac{6x^2 - 150}{875 - 50x}$

15) $\frac{141x - 205 + 4x^3 - 40x^2}{16x^2 - 80x + 140}$

16)

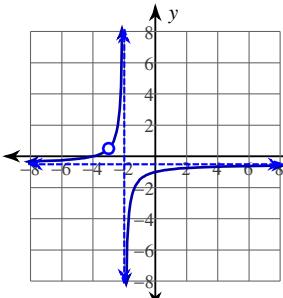


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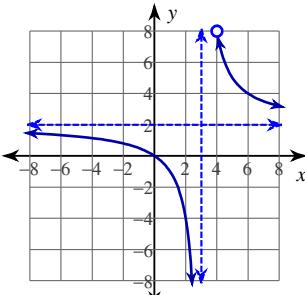
Vertical Asym.: $x = -3$
Holes: None
Horz. Asym.: $y = \frac{1}{3}$
X-intercepts: 4

19)



Vertical Asym.: $x = -2$
Holes: $x = -3$
Horz. Asym.: $y = -\frac{1}{2}$
X-intercepts: -4

18)



Vertical Asym.: $x = 3$
Holes: $x = 4$
Horz. Asym.: $y = 2$
X-intercepts: 0

20) $(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)(x^2 + 5) = 0$