

Unit 3: Rational Functions and Equations

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Solve each problem and give the exact answer. Use plain-text notation (e.g., $3/4$, $x+5$, $y=1/2$); write "no solution" where appropriate.

1. Find the vertical asymptote of $f(x) = (x^2 - 9)/(x^2 - 2x - 15)$. (Note: one factor cancels, so give only the x-value of the true vertical asymptote.)

Answer: _____

3. Solve for x: $2/(x - 3) + 5/(x + 2) = 3/(x^2 - x - 6)$.

Answer: _____

5. Find the slant (oblique) asymptote of $f(x) = (x^2 + 3x - 4)/(x - 2)$. Give the answer in the form $y = \text{an expression}$.

Answer: _____

7. The function $f(x) = (x^2 - x - 6)/(x - 3)$ has a removable discontinuity (hole). Find the y-coordinate of that hole.

Answer: _____

9. Find the sum of all solutions of the equation $1 + 6/x = 7/x^2$.

Answer: _____

2. Find the horizontal asymptote of $f(x) = (3x^2 - 5x + 2)/(6x^2 + x - 1)$. Give the answer in the form $y = a$ number.

Answer: _____

4. Find the x-intercept of $f(x) = (2x^2 - 8)/(x^2 + x - 2)$. Give only the x-value (exclude any value that is a hole or asymptote).

Answer: _____

6. Solve for x: $x/(x - 4) = 3 + 4/(x - 4)$. If the only candidate is excluded from the domain, answer 'no solution'.

Answer: _____

8. Solve for x: $1/(x - 1) - 2/(x + 1) = 4/(x^2 - 1)$. If the only candidate is excluded from the domain, answer 'no solution'.

Answer: _____

10. Find the horizontal asymptote of $f(x) = (4x^3 - 2x + 1)/(2x^3 + x^2 - 7)$. Give the answer in the form $y = a$ number.

Answer: _____

11. The function $f(x) = (x + 1)/(x^2 - x - 12)$ has two vertical asymptotes. Find the sum of the two x-values where they occur.

Answer: _____