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Unit 10: Rational Expressions PBA Practice

Simplify.

$$1. \frac{4x+12}{x^2-2x} \cdot \frac{x}{6x+18}$$

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

$$2. \frac{a^2+5a+4}{a^3} \div \frac{a^2+3a+2}{a^2-2a}$$

$$\frac{a^2+5a+4}{a^3} \cdot \frac{a^2-2a}{a^2+3a+2}$$

$$\frac{(a+4)(a+1)}{a^2} \cdot \frac{a(a-2)}{(a+2)(a+1)} = \frac{(a+4)(a-2)}{a^2(a+2)}$$

$$3. \frac{x^2+13x+40}{x-7} \div \frac{x+8}{x^2-49}$$

$$\frac{x^2+13x+40}{x-7} \cdot \frac{x^2-49}{x+8}$$

$$\frac{(x+8)(x+5)}{x-7} \cdot \frac{(x-7)(x+7)}{x+8} = \frac{(x+5)(x+7)}{1}$$

$$4. \frac{6}{7x^4} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 7^x} = \frac{24}{28x} + \frac{7x}{28x} = \frac{24+7x}{28x}$$

LCD = 28x

$$5. \frac{k-2}{k^2+2k-8}$$

$$\frac{k-2}{(k-2)(k+4)} = \frac{1}{k+4}$$

$$6. \frac{9}{3x-1} - \frac{5x}{2x+3} = \frac{18x+27}{(3x-1)(2x+3)} - \frac{15x^2-5x}{(3x-1)(2x+3)}$$

LCD = (3x-1)(2x+3)

$$= \frac{18x+27-15x^2+5x}{(3x-1)(2x+3)} = \frac{-15x^2+23x+27}{(3x-1)(2x+3)}$$

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$$7. \frac{6x^2 - 24}{x + 2}$$

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

$$\frac{6(x-2)(x+2)}{\cancel{x+2}} = \boxed{6(x-2)}$$

$$8. \frac{4c}{2c+2} \cdot \frac{c^2+3c+2}{c-1}$$

$$\frac{4c}{\cancel{2}c+2} \cdot \frac{(c+2)(\cancel{c+1})}{c-1}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2(c+2)}{c-1}}$$

$$9. \frac{9-x^2}{x^2+x-12}$$

$$\frac{(3-\cancel{x})(3+x)}{(\cancel{x+3})(x+4)} = \boxed{\frac{-(3+x)}{x+4}}$$

$$10. \frac{7^5}{3a^5} + \frac{2^{3a}}{5^{3a}} = \frac{35}{15a} + \frac{6a}{15a} =$$

LCD = 15a

$$\boxed{\frac{35+6a}{15a}}$$

$$11. \frac{4^3}{x^3} - \frac{2^7}{3 \cdot x} = \frac{12}{3x} - \frac{2x}{3x} = \boxed{\frac{12-2x}{3x}}$$

LCD = 3x

$$12. \frac{27^7}{n^3 \cdot 7} - \frac{9 \cdot n}{7n^2 \cdot n} = \frac{189}{7n^3} - \frac{9n}{7n^3} =$$

LCD = 7n<sup>3</sup>

$$\boxed{\frac{189-9n}{7n^3}}$$