

$$\underline{1.} \quad a.) \quad p + \frac{9-p}{2} = \frac{2p}{2} + \frac{9-p}{2} = \frac{2p+9-p}{2} = \underline{\underline{\frac{p+9}{2}}}$$

$$b.) \quad \frac{x-y}{3x} - 1 = \frac{x-y}{3x} - \frac{3x}{3x} = \frac{x-y-3x}{3x} = \underline{\underline{\frac{-2x-y}{3x}}}$$

$$c.) \quad 2 - \frac{k^2-k+1}{k^2} = \frac{2k^2-(k^2-k+1)}{k^2} = \frac{2k^2-k^2+k-1}{k^2} = \underline{\underline{\frac{k^2+k-1}{k^2}}}$$

$$\underline{2.} \quad a.) \quad \frac{2a}{a+b} + 1 = \frac{2a}{a+b} + \frac{a+b}{a+b} = \frac{2a+a+b}{a+b} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3a+b}{a+b}}}$$

$$b.) \quad 4 - \frac{u-v}{u+v} = \frac{4(u+v)}{u+v} - \frac{u-v}{u+v} = \frac{4u+4v-(u-v)}{u+v} =$$

$$\frac{4u+4v-u+v}{u+v} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3u+5v}{u+v}}}$$

$$c.) \quad \frac{z^2}{z+1} - z = \frac{z^2}{z+1} - \frac{z(z+1)}{z+1} = \frac{z^2-z(z+1)}{z+1} =$$

$$\frac{z^2-z^2-z}{z+1} = \underline{\underline{-\frac{z}{z+1}}}$$

$$\underline{3.} \quad a.) \quad 3 - \frac{m}{m-n} = \frac{3(m-n)}{m-n} - \frac{m}{m-n} = \frac{3m-3n-m}{m-n} = \underline{\underline{\frac{2m-3n}{m-n}}}$$

$$b.) \quad \frac{9}{9+1} - 1 = \frac{9}{9+1} - \frac{9+1}{9+1} = \frac{9-(9+1)}{9+1} = \frac{9-9-1}{9+1} = \underline{\underline{-\frac{1}{9+1}}}$$

$$c.) \quad e - \frac{e^2-z}{e-z} = \frac{e(e-z)}{e-z} - \frac{e^2-z}{e-z} = \frac{e^2-2e-(e^2-z)}{e-z} =$$

$$\frac{e^2-2e-e^2+z}{e-z} = \underline{\underline{\frac{-2e+z}{e-z}}}$$

$$d.) \quad 1 + \frac{z}{1-z} = \frac{1-z}{1-z} + \frac{z}{1-z} = \frac{1-z+z}{1-z} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{1-z}}}$$

$$1 + z + \frac{z^2}{1-z} = \frac{1-z}{1-z} + \frac{z(1-z)}{1-z} + \frac{z^2}{1-z} =$$

$$\frac{1-z+z-z^2+z^2}{1-z} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{1-z}}}$$

$$1 + z + z^2 + \frac{z^3}{1-z} = \frac{1-z}{1-z} + \frac{z(1-z)}{1-z} + \frac{z^2(1-z)}{1-z} + \frac{z^3}{1-z} =$$

$$\frac{1-z+z-z^2+z^2-z^3+z^3}{1-z} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{1-z}}}$$

$$\underline{4.} \quad a.) \quad \frac{1}{a+b} + \frac{1}{c} = \frac{c}{(a+b) \cdot c} + \frac{a+b}{(a+b) \cdot c} = \frac{c+a+b}{(a+b) \cdot c}$$

$$b.) \quad \frac{8}{n+5} - \frac{n+2}{n} = \frac{8 \cdot n}{(n+5) \cdot n} - \frac{(n+2)(n+5)}{(n+5) \cdot n} =$$

$$\frac{8n - [(n+2)(n+5)]}{(n+5)n} = \frac{8n - [n^2 + 7n + 10]}{(n+5)n} = \frac{8n - n^2 - 7n - 10}{(n+5)n} =$$

$$\frac{n - n^2 - 10}{(n+5)n}$$

$$c.) \quad \frac{x+y}{x-y} - \frac{x-y}{x+y} = \frac{(x+y)(x+y)}{(x-y)(x+y)} - \frac{(x-y)(x-y)}{(x-y)(x+y)} =$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - [x^2 - 2xy + y^2]}{(x-y)(x+y)} = \frac{x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - x^2 + 2xy - y^2}{(x-y)(x+y)} =$$

$$\frac{4xy}{(x-y)(x+y)}$$

$$\underline{5.} \quad a.) \quad \frac{m}{m-1} - \frac{m-1}{m+2} = \frac{m(m+2)}{(m-1)(m+2)} - \frac{(m-1)(m-1)}{(m-1)(m+2)} =$$

$$\frac{m^2 + 2m - [m^2 - 2m + 1]}{(m-1)(m+2)} = \frac{m^2 + 2m - m^2 + 2m - 1}{(m-1)(m+2)} = \frac{4m - 1}{(m-1)(m+2)}$$

$$b.) \quad \frac{2r}{s} - \frac{r+3}{r+s+1} = \frac{2r(r+s+1)}{s(r+s+1)} - \frac{s(r+3)}{s(r+s+1)} =$$

$$\frac{2r^2 + 2rs + 2r - sr - 3s}{s(r+s+1)} = \frac{2r^2 + rs + 2r - 3s}{s(r+s+1)}$$

$$c.) \quad \frac{w-4}{w-2} + \frac{w+6}{w+3} = \frac{(w-4)(w+3)}{(w-2)(w+3)} + \frac{(w+6)(w-2)}{(w-2)(w+3)} =$$

$$\frac{w^2 - w - 12 + w^2 + 4w - 12}{(w-2)(w+3)} = \frac{2w^2 + 3w - 24}{(w-2)(w+3)}$$

$$\underline{6.} \quad a.) \quad \frac{c}{c+d} - \frac{c-d}{2(c+d)} = \frac{2c}{2(c+d)} - \frac{c-d}{2(c+d)} = \frac{2c - (c-d)}{2(c+d)} =$$

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

$$b.) \quad \frac{4}{z-1} + \frac{z}{z^2-1} = \frac{4}{z-1} + \frac{z}{(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{4(z+1)}{(z+1)(z-1)} + \frac{z}{(z+1)(z-1)} =$$

$$\frac{4z + 4 + z}{(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{5z + 4}{(z+1)(z-1)}$$

$$c.) \quad \frac{3u}{u^2 + 2uv + v^2} - \frac{1}{u+v} = \frac{3u}{(u+v)(u+v)} - \frac{1 \cdot (u+v)}{(u+v)(u+v)} =$$

$$\frac{3u - u - v}{(u+v)(u+v)} = \frac{2u - v}{(u+v)(u+v)}$$

$$d.) \frac{a+2b+t}{4at+8bt} - \frac{1}{4t} = \frac{a+2b+t}{4t \cdot (a+2b)} - \frac{1 \cdot (a+2b)}{4t \cdot (a+2b)} =$$

$$\frac{a+2b+t-a-2b}{4t \cdot (a+2b)} = \frac{\cancel{a} + \cancel{2b} + t - \cancel{a} - \cancel{2b}}{4\cancel{t} \cdot (a+2b)} = \frac{1}{4(a+2b)}$$

$$7. a.) \frac{x-y}{15x+10y} + \frac{x+y}{3x+2y} = \frac{x-y}{5(3x+2y)} + \frac{5(x+y)}{5(3x+2y)} =$$

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

$$b.) \frac{8p}{4p^2-4p+1} - \frac{3}{2p-1} = \frac{8p}{(2p-1)(2p-1)} - \frac{3(2p-1)}{(2p-1)(2p-1)} =$$

$$\frac{8p-6p+3}{(2p-1)(2p-1)} = \frac{2p+3}{(2p-1)(2p-1)}$$

$$c.) \frac{r+2}{5r^2} - \frac{4r+4}{5r^2+10r^2} = \frac{r+2}{5r^2} - \frac{4r+4}{5r^2(r+2)} =$$

$$\frac{(r+2)(r+2)}{5r^2(r+2)} - \frac{(4r+4)}{5r^2(r+2)} = \frac{r^2+4r+4-4r-4}{5r^2(r+2)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{r^2} + \cancel{4r} + 4 - \cancel{4r} - \cancel{4}}{5\cancel{r^2} \cdot (r+2)} = \frac{1}{5(r+2)}$$

$$d.) \frac{1}{q-1} - \frac{q^2+2}{q^3-1} = \frac{q^3-1}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} - \frac{(q^2+2)(q-1)}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} =$$

$$\frac{q^3-1 - [q^3 - q^2 + 2q - 2]}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} = \frac{q^3-1 - q^3 + q^2 - 2q + 2}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} = \frac{q^2 - 2q + 1}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} =$$

$$\frac{(q-1)(q-1)}{(q-1)(q^3-1)} = \frac{q-1}{q^3-1} = \frac{\cancel{q-1}}{(q-1)(q^2+q+1)} = \frac{1}{q^2+q+1}$$

$$8. a.) \frac{c}{c-d} - \frac{2cd}{c^2-d^2} - \frac{d}{c+d} = \frac{c}{c-d} - \frac{2cd}{(c+d)(c-d)} - \frac{d}{c+d} =$$

$$\frac{c \cdot (c+d)}{(c+d)(c-d)} - \frac{2cd}{(c+d)(c-d)} - \frac{d(c-d)}{(c+d)(c-d)} = \frac{c^2+cd-2cd-cd+d^2}{(c+d)(c-d)} =$$

$$\frac{c^2-2cd+d^2}{(c+d)(c-d)} = \frac{(c-d)(c-d)}{(c+d)(c-d)} = \frac{c-d}{c+d}$$

$$b.) \frac{1}{a-2} + \frac{1}{a+5} - \frac{2a+3}{a^2+3a-10} = \frac{1}{a-2} + \frac{1}{a+5} - \frac{2a+3}{(a+5)(a-2)} =$$

$$\frac{1 \cdot (a+5)}{(a+5)(a-2)} + \frac{1 \cdot (a-2)}{(a+5)(a-2)} - \frac{(2a+3)}{(a+5)(a-2)} = \frac{a+5+a-2-2a-3}{(a+5)(a-2)} =$$

$$\frac{0}{(a+5) \cdot (a-2)} = \underline{\underline{0}}$$

9. a.) 
$$\frac{z}{z-5} - \frac{5}{z+3} - \frac{40}{z^2-2z-15} = \frac{z}{z-5} - \frac{5}{z+3} - \frac{40}{(z+3)(z-5)} =$$

$$\frac{z \cdot (z+3)}{(z+3)(z-5)} - \frac{5 \cdot (z-5)}{(z+3)(z-5)} - \frac{40}{(z+3)(z-5)} = \frac{z^2+3z-5z+25-40}{(z+3)(z-5)} =$$

$$\frac{z^2-2z-15}{(z+3)(z-5)} = \frac{\overset{1}{(z+3)} \overset{1}{(z-5)}}{\overset{1}{(z+3)} \overset{1}{(z-5)}} = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

b.) 
$$\frac{n}{n+1} - \frac{2n+1}{n-1} + \frac{n^2+5n}{n^2-1} = \frac{n}{n+1} - \frac{2n+1}{n-1} + \frac{n^2+5n}{(n+1)(n-1)} =$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{(n+1)(n-1)} - \frac{[(2n+1)(n+1)]}{(n+1)(n-1)} + \frac{n^2+5n}{(n+1)(n-1)} = \frac{n^2-n-[2n^2+3n+1]+n^2+5n}{(n+1)(n-1)} =$$

$$\frac{n^2-n-2n^2-3n-1+n^2+5n}{(n+1)(n-1)} = \frac{\overset{1}{(n-1)}}{\overset{1}{(n+1)} \overset{1}{(n-1)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{n+1}}}$$

10. a.) 
$$\frac{a-b}{4a+4b} + \frac{a+4b}{6a+6b} = \frac{a-b}{4(a+b)} + \frac{a+4b}{6(a+b)} = \frac{3(a-b)}{12(a+b)} + \frac{2(a+4b)}{12(a+b)} =$$

$$\frac{3a-3b+2a+8b}{12(a+b)} = \frac{5a+5b}{12(a+b)} = \frac{5 \overset{1}{(a+b)}}{12 \overset{1}{(a+b)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{5}{12}}}$$

b.) 
$$\frac{t+7}{3t-6} - \frac{t+4}{t^2-2t} = \frac{t+7}{3(t-2)} - \frac{t+4}{t(t-2)} = \frac{t(t+7)}{3t(t-2)} - \frac{3(t+4)}{3t(t-2)} =$$

$$\frac{t^2+7t-3t-12}{3t(t-2)} = \frac{t^2+4t-12}{3t(t-2)} = \frac{(t+6) \overset{1}{(t-2)}}{3t \overset{1}{(t-2)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{t+6}{3t}}}$$

c.) 
$$\frac{u}{uv+v^2} - \frac{v}{u^2+uv} = \frac{u}{v(u+v)} - \frac{v}{u(u+v)} = \frac{u^2}{uv(u+v)} - \frac{v^2}{uv(u+v)} =$$

$$\frac{u^2-v^2}{uv(u+v)} = \frac{\overset{1}{(u+v)} \overset{1}{(u-v)}}{\overset{1}{uv} \overset{1}{(u+v)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{u-v}{uv}}}$$

d.) 
$$\frac{c}{c^2-8c+16} + \frac{2}{c^2-6c+8} = \frac{c}{(c-4)(c-4)} + \frac{2}{(c-4)(c-2)} =$$

$$\frac{c(c-2)}{(c-4)(c-4)(c-2)} + \frac{2(c-4)}{(c-4)(c-4)(c-2)} = \frac{c^2-2c+2c-8}{(c-4)(c-4)(c-2)} =$$

$$\underline{\underline{\frac{c^2-8}{(c-4)(c-4)(c-2)}}}$$

11. a.)  $\frac{1}{rx+ry} + \frac{1}{sx+sy} = \frac{1}{r(x+y)} + \frac{1}{s(x+y)} =$   
 $\frac{s}{rs(x+y)} + \frac{r}{rs(x+y)} = \frac{s+r}{rs(x+y)}$

b.)  $\frac{a}{a^2-b^2} + \frac{b}{(a-b)^2} = \frac{a}{(a+b)(a-b)} + \frac{b}{(a-b)(a-b)} =$   
 $\frac{a(a-b)}{(a+b)(a-b)(a-b)} + \frac{b(a+b)}{(a+b)(a-b)(a-b)} = \frac{a^2-ab+ab+b^2}{(a+b)(a-b)(a-b)} =$   
 $\frac{a^2+b^2}{(a+b)(a-b)(a-b)}$

c.)  $\frac{z+9}{z^2-1} - \frac{z+5}{z^2+z} = \frac{z+9}{(z+1)(z-1)} - \frac{z+5}{z(z+1)} =$   
 $\frac{z(z+9)}{z(z+1)(z-1)} - \frac{[(z+5)(z-1)]}{z(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{z^2+9z - [z^2+4z-5]}{z(z+1)(z-1)} =$   
 $\frac{z^2+9z-z^2-4z+5}{z(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{5z+5}{z(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{5 \cdot \overset{1}{(z+1)}}{z \cdot \overset{1}{(z-1)} \cdot \overset{1}{(z+1)}} = \frac{5}{z(z-1)}$

d.)  $\frac{5}{n^2+n-6} - \frac{3}{n^2-n-2} = \frac{5}{(n+3)(n-2)} - \frac{3}{(n-2)(n+1)} =$   
 $\frac{5(n+1)}{(n+3)(n-2)(n+1)} - \frac{3(n+3)}{(n+3)(n-2)(n+1)} = \frac{5n+5-3n-9}{(n+3)(n-2)(n+1)} =$   
 $\frac{2n-4}{(n+3)(n-2)(n+1)} = \frac{2 \cdot \overset{1}{(n-2)}}{(n+3) \cdot \overset{1}{(n-2)} \cdot \overset{1}{(n+1)}} = \frac{2}{(n+3)(n+1)}$

12. a.)  $\frac{7}{e-1} + \frac{6}{1-e} = \frac{7}{e-1} \ominus \frac{6}{(e-1)} = \frac{7-6}{e-1} = \frac{1}{e-1}$

b.)  $\frac{5}{3h-3} - \frac{4}{2-2h} = \frac{5}{3(h-1)} - \frac{4}{2(1-h)} = \frac{5}{3(h-1)} \oplus \frac{4}{2 \cdot \overset{1}{(h-1)}} =$   
 $\frac{10}{6(h-1)} + \frac{12}{6(h-1)} = \frac{22}{6(h-1)} = \frac{11}{3(h-1)}$

c.)  $\frac{r-4}{5r+5} + \frac{2}{1-r^2} = \frac{r-4}{5(r+1)} + \frac{2}{(1+r)(1-r)} =$   
 $\frac{r-4}{5(r+1)} \ominus \frac{2}{(1+r)(r-1)} = \frac{(r-4)(r-1)}{5(r+1)(r-1)} - \frac{10}{5(r+1)(r-1)} = \frac{r^2-5r+4-10}{5(r+1)(r-1)} =$   
 $\frac{r^2-5r-6}{5(r+1)(r-1)} = \frac{(r-6) \cdot \overset{1}{(r+1)}}{5 \cdot \overset{1}{(r+1)} \cdot \overset{1}{(r-1)}} = \frac{r-6}{5(r-1)}$

$$d.) \frac{u}{u-v} - \frac{4uv}{u^2-v^2} - \frac{v}{v-u} = \frac{u}{u-v} - \frac{4uv}{(u+v)(u-v)} \oplus \frac{v}{u-v} =$$

$$\frac{u(u+v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} - \frac{4uv}{(u+v)(u-v)} + \frac{v(u+v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{u^2+uv-4uv+uv+v^2}{(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{u^2-2uv+v^2}{(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{(u-v)(\overset{1}{u-v})}{(u+v)(\overset{1}{u-v})} = \underline{\underline{\frac{u-v}{u+v}}}$$

13. a.)  $\frac{a-b}{c-d} - \frac{a+b}{d-c} = \frac{a-b}{c-d} \oplus \frac{a+b}{c-d} = \frac{a-b+a+b}{c-d} = \underline{\underline{\frac{2a}{c-d}}}$

b.)  $\frac{x+y}{2x-6y} + \frac{x+3y}{3y-3x} = \frac{x+y}{2(x-3y)} + \frac{x+3y}{3(3y-x)} = \frac{x+y}{2(x-3y)} \ominus \frac{x+3y}{3(x-3y)} =$

$$\frac{3(x+y)}{6(x-3y)} - \frac{2(x+3y)}{6(x-3y)} = \frac{3x+3y-2x-6y}{6(x-3y)} = \frac{\overset{1}{x-3y}}{6(x-3y)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{6}}}$$

c.)  $\frac{8s}{s^2-4} + \frac{2+s}{2-s} = \frac{8s}{(s+2)(s-2)} \ominus \frac{2+s}{s-2} = \frac{8s}{(s+2)(s-2)} - \frac{[(2+s)(s+2)]}{(s+2)(s-2)} =$

$$\frac{8s - [s^2+4s+4]}{(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{8s-s^2-4s-4}{(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{-s^2+4s-4}{(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{(s-2)(-s+2)}{(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{-s+2}{s+2} = \underline{\underline{\frac{-s+2}{s+2}}}$$

d.)  $\frac{m^2-8m}{2m^2+m-15} - \frac{m}{5-2m} = \frac{m^2-8m}{(2m-5)(m+3)} \oplus \frac{m}{2m-5} =$

$$\frac{m^2-8m}{(2m-5)(m+3)} + \frac{m(m+3)}{(2m-5)(m+3)} = \frac{m^2-8m+m^2+3m}{(2m-5)(m+3)} = \frac{2m^2-5m}{(2m-5)(m+3)} =$$

$$\frac{\overset{1}{m(2m-5)}}{\overset{1}{(2m-5)(m+3)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{m}{m+3}}}$$

14. a.)  $\frac{2n-11}{3n-5} - \frac{4n+15}{n+7} + 1 = \frac{(2n-11)(n+7)}{(3n-5)(n+7)} - \frac{[(4n+15)(3n-5)]}{(3n-5)(n+7)} + \frac{(3n-5)(n+7)}{(3n-5)(n+7)} =$

$$\frac{2n^2+3n-77 - [12n^2+25n-75] + 3n^2+16n-35}{(3n-5)(n+7)} = \frac{2n^2+3n-77-12n^2-25n+75+3n^2+16n-35}{(3n-5)(n+7)} =$$

$$\frac{-7n^2-6n-37}{(3n-5)(n+7)}$$

b.)  $\frac{2v+3w}{2v+w} - \frac{2v-w}{2v} - \frac{2v+3w}{w} =$

$$\frac{2vw(2v+3w)}{2vw(2v+w)} - \frac{[w(2v+w)(2v-w)]}{2vw(2v+w)} - \frac{[2v(2v+w)(2v+3w)]}{2vw(2v+w)} =$$

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$$\frac{4v^2w + 6vw^2 - [4v^2w - w^3] - [8v^2 + 16v^2w + 6vw^2]}{2vw(2v+w)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{4v^2w} + 6vw^2 - \cancel{4v^2w} + w^3 - 8v^2 - \cancel{16v^2w} - \cancel{6vw^2}}{2vw(2v+w)} =$$

$$\frac{w^3 - 8v^2 - 16v^2w}{2vw(2v+w)}$$

15. a.)  $\frac{2r-19}{3r-7} - \frac{5r}{6r-8} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2r-19}{3r-7} - \frac{5r}{2(3r-4)} - \frac{1}{2} =$

$$\frac{2(2r-19)(3r-4)}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} - \frac{5r(3r-7)}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} - \frac{[(3r-7)(3r-4)]}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} =$$

$$\frac{12r^2 - 130r - 152 - 15r^2 + 35r - [9r^2 - 33r + 28]}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} =$$

$$\frac{12r^2 - 130r - 152 - 15r^2 + 35r - 9r^2 + 33r - 28}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} =$$

$$\frac{-12r^2 - 62r - 180}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} = \frac{-2(6r^2 + 31r + 90)}{2(3r-7)(3r-4)} = \underline{\underline{-\frac{6r^2 + 31r + 90}{(3r-7)(3r-4)}}}$$

b.)  $\frac{5}{p-2} - \frac{3}{2p+1} + \frac{1}{p+1} =$

$$\frac{5(2p+1)(p+1)}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} - \frac{[3(p-2)(p+1)]}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} + \frac{(p-2)(2p+1)}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} =$$

$$\frac{10p^2 + 15p + 5 - [3p^2 - 3p - 6] + 2p^2 - 3p - 2}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} =$$

$$\frac{10p^2 + 15p + 5 - 3p^2 + 3p + 6 + 2p^2 - 3p - 2}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} =$$

$$\frac{9p^2 + 15p + 9}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3(3p^2 + 5p + 3)}{(p-2)(2p+1)(p+1)}}}$$

16.

$$a.) \frac{5}{4x-8y} - \frac{3}{10y-5x} - \frac{11}{6x-12y} =$$

$$\frac{5}{4(x-2y)} - \frac{3}{5(2y-x)} - \frac{11}{6(x-2y)} =$$

$$\frac{5}{4(x-2y)} \oplus \frac{3}{5 \cdot (x-2y)} - \frac{11}{6(x-2y)} =$$

$$\frac{75}{60(x-2y)} + \frac{36}{60(x-2y)} - \frac{110}{60(x-2y)} =$$

$$\frac{75+36-110}{60(x-2y)} = \frac{1}{60(x-2y)}$$

$$b.) \frac{b-c}{a^2+ac} - \frac{a-b}{ac+c^2} + \frac{a^2+c^2}{a^2c+ac^2} =$$

$$\frac{b-c}{a(a+c)} - \frac{a-b}{c(a+c)} + \frac{a^2+c^2}{ac(a+c)} =$$

$$\frac{c(b-c)}{ac(a+c)} - \frac{a(a-b)}{ac(a+c)} + \frac{a^2+c^2}{ac(a+c)} =$$

$$\frac{bc-c^2-a^2+ab+a^2+c^2}{ac(a+c)} = \frac{bc+ab}{ac(a+c)} = \frac{b \cdot (c+a)}{ac(a+c)} = \frac{b}{ac}$$

17.

$$a.) \frac{k+2}{6k-15} + \frac{8k+1}{8k-20} + \frac{k+11}{10-4k} = \frac{k+2}{3(2k-5)} + \frac{8k+1}{4(2k-5)} + \frac{k+11}{2(5-2k)} =$$

$$\frac{k+2}{3(2k-5)} + \frac{8k+1}{4(2k-5)} \ominus \frac{k+11}{2(2k-5)} = \frac{4(k+2)}{12(2k-5)} + \frac{3(8k+1)}{12(2k-5)} - \frac{6(k+11)}{12(2k-5)} =$$

$$\frac{4k+8+24k+3-6k-66}{12(2k-5)} = \frac{22k-55}{12(2k-5)} = \frac{11(2k-5)}{12(2k-5)} = \frac{11}{12}$$

$$b.) \frac{u}{u-v} + \frac{v}{v-u} - \frac{u+v-1}{u+v} = \frac{u}{u-v} \ominus \frac{v}{u-v} - \frac{u+v-1}{u+v} =$$

$$\frac{u(u+v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} - \frac{v(u+v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} - \frac{[u+v-1](u+v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{u^2+uv-uv-v^2-[u^2-v^2-u+v]}{(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{u^2+uv-uv-v^2-u^2+v^2+u-v}{(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{(u-v)}{(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{1}{u+v}$$



18. a.) 
$$\frac{2x-1}{x-3} - \frac{2x(x+2)}{x^2-9} - \frac{2}{3x} = \frac{2x-1}{x-3} - \frac{2x(x+2)}{(x+3)(x-3)} - \frac{2}{3x} =$$

$$\frac{3x(x+3)(2x-1)}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} - \frac{6x^2(x+2)}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} - \frac{[2(x+3)(x-2)]}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} =$$

$$\frac{6x^3 + 15x^2 - 9x - 6x^3 - 12x^2 - [2x^2 - 18]}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{6x^3} + 15x^2 - 9x - \cancel{6x^3} - 12x^2 - 2x^2 + 18}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} =$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 9x + 18}{3x(x+3)(x-3)} = \frac{\overset{1}{(x-3)}(x-6)}{\underset{1}{3x(x+3)}(x-3)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{x-6}{3x(x+3)}}}$$

b.) 
$$\frac{3s}{(s-2)^2} - \frac{2}{s} + \frac{s+4}{2s-s^2} = \frac{3s}{(s-2)(s-2)} - \frac{2}{s} + \frac{s+4}{s(2-s)} =$$

$$\frac{3s}{(s-2)(s-2)} - \frac{2}{s} \oplus \frac{s+4}{s(s-2)} =$$

$$\frac{3s^2}{s(s-2)(s-2)} - \frac{[2(s-2)(s-2)]}{s(s-2)(s-2)} - \frac{[(s+4)(s-2)]}{s(s-2)(s-2)} =$$

$$\frac{3s^2 - [2s^2 - 8s + 8] - [s^2 + 2s - 8]}{s(s-2)(s-2)} =$$

$$\frac{3s^2 - 2s^2 + 8s - 8 - s^2 - 2s + 8}{s(s-2)(s-2)} = \frac{\overset{1}{6s}}{\underset{1}{s(s-2)(s-2)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{6}{(s-2)(s-2)}}}$$

19. a.) 
$$\frac{2u-v}{2u-2v} - \frac{u-v}{3u+3v} - \frac{v(3v-u)}{3v^2-3u^2} =$$

$$\frac{2u-v}{2(u-v)} - \frac{u-v}{3(u+v)} - \frac{v(3v-u)}{3(v^2-u^2)} =$$

$$\frac{2u-v}{2(u-v)} - \frac{u-v}{3(u+v)} \oplus \frac{v(3v-u)}{3(u^2-v^2)} =$$

$$\frac{2u-v}{2(u-v)} - \frac{u-v}{3(u+v)} + \frac{v(3v-u)}{3(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{3(u+v)(2u-v)}{6(u+v)(u-v)} - \frac{[2(u-v)(u-v)]}{6(u+v)(u-v)} + \frac{2v(3v-u)}{6(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{6u^2 + 3uv - 3v^2 - [2u^2 - 4uv + 2v^2] + 6v^2 - 2uv}{6(u+v)(u-v)} =$$

$$\frac{6u^2 + 3uv - 3v^2 - 2u^2 + 4uv - 2v^2 + 6v^2 - 2uv}{6(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{4u^2 + 5uv + v^2}{6(u+v)(u-v)} =$$



$$\frac{(4u+v)(u+v)}{6(u+v)(u-v)} = \frac{4u+v}{6(u-v)}$$

b.)  $\frac{1}{z^2-z} - \frac{z}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^2+z} = \frac{1}{z(z-1)} - \frac{z}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z(z+1)} =$

$$\frac{z \cdot (z+1)}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)} - \frac{[2(z+1)(z-1)]}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)} + \frac{z(z-1)}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)} =$$

$$\frac{z^2+z - [2z^2-2] + z^2-z}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)} =$$

$$\frac{z^2+z-2z^2+2+z^2-z}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)} = \frac{2}{z^2(z+1)(z-1)}$$

20.  $\frac{a}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{b}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{c}{(c-a)(c-b)} =$

$$\frac{a}{(a-b)(a-c)} - \frac{b}{(b-c)(a-b)} + \frac{c}{(a-c)(b-c)} =$$

$$\frac{a(b-c)}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} - \frac{b(a-c)}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} + \frac{c(a-b)}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{ab} - \cancel{ac} - \cancel{ab} + \cancel{bc} + \cancel{ac} - \cancel{bc}}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} = \underline{\underline{0}}$$

21.  $\frac{x^4+36x^2-32}{x^4-8x^2+16} - \frac{16x}{x^3+2x^2-4x-8} - \frac{16x}{x^3-2x^2-4x+8} - 1 =$

$$\frac{x^4+36x^2-32}{(x^2-4)(x^2-4)} - \frac{16x}{(x^2-4)(x+2)} - \frac{16x}{(x^2-4)(x-2)} - 1 =$$

$$\frac{x^4+36x^2-32}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} - \frac{16x(x-2)}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} - \frac{16x(x+2)}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} - \frac{[(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)]}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)}$$

$$\frac{x^4+36x^2-32-16x^2+32x-16x^2-32x-[(x^2-4)(x^2-4)]}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} =$$

$$\frac{x^4+36x^2-32-16x^2+32x-16x^2-32x-[x^4-8x^2+16]}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{x^4}+36x^2-32-16x^2+32x-16x^2-32x-\cancel{x^4}+8x^2-16}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} =$$

$$\frac{12x^2-48}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} = \frac{12(x^2-4)}{(x^2-4)(x+2)(x-2)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{12}{(x+2)(x-2)}}}$$

$$\underline{22.} \quad \frac{a^2+3a+5}{a^4-a^3-31a^2+25a+150} - \frac{a+2}{a^3-3a^2-25a+75}$$

$$+ \frac{a-3}{a^3+2a^2-25a-50} - \frac{a-5}{a^3+4a^2-11a-30} =$$

$$\frac{a^2+3a+5}{(a^2-a-6)(a^2-25)} - \frac{a+2}{(a-3)(a^2-25)}$$

$$+ \frac{a-3}{(a+2)(a^2-25)} - \frac{a-5}{(a+5)(a^2-a-6)} =$$

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

$$+ \frac{a-3}{(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} - \frac{a-5}{(a+5)(a-3)(a+2)} =$$

$$\frac{a^2+3a+5}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} - \frac{[(a+2)(a+2)]}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)}$$

$$+ \frac{(a-3)(a-3)}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} - \frac{[(a-5)(a-5)]}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} =$$

$$\frac{a^2+3a+5 - [a^2+4a+4] + a^2-6a+9 - [a^2-10a+25]}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{a^2}+3a+5 - \cancel{a^2}-4a-4 + \cancel{a^2}-6a+9 - \cancel{a^2}+10a-25}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} =$$

$$\frac{3a-15}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)(a-5)} = \frac{3(a-5)}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)\cancel{(a-5)}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{(a-3)(a+2)(a+5)}}}$$

$$23. \frac{6-x}{x^4+2x^3-13x^2-14x+24} + \frac{1}{x^2-2x^2-5x+6} + \frac{1}{x^2+x-2} - \frac{1}{x^2-4x+3} =$$

$$\frac{6-x}{(x^2-2x^2-5x+6)(x+4)} + \frac{1}{(x^2-4x+3)(x+2)} + \frac{1}{(x+2)(x-1)} - \frac{1}{(x-3)(x-1)} =$$

$$\frac{6-x}{(x^2-4x+3)(x+2)(x+4)} + \frac{1}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)} + \frac{1}{(x+2)(x-1)} - \frac{1}{(x-3)(x-1)} =$$

$$\frac{6-x}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} + \frac{1}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)} + \frac{1}{(x+2)(x-1)} - \frac{1}{(x-3)(x-1)} =$$

$$\frac{6-x}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} + \frac{x+4}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} + \frac{(x-3)(x+4)}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} - \frac{[(x+2)(x+4)]}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)}$$

$$\frac{6-x + x + 4 + x^2 + x - 12 - [x^2 + 6x + 8]}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} =$$

$$\frac{\cancel{6-x} + \cancel{x} + 4 + \cancel{x^2} + x - 12 - \cancel{x^2} - 6x - 8}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} =$$

$$\frac{-5x - 10}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)(x+4)} = \frac{-5 \overset{1}{(x+2)}}{(x-3)(x-1)\underset{1}{(x+2)}(x+4)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{5}{(x-3)(x-1)(x+4)}}}$$