



# Algebraic Fractions (Operations)



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1 Write  $\frac{5y}{6} + \frac{y}{4}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{10y}{12} + \frac{3y}{12}$$

Answer  $\frac{13y}{12}$

2 Write  $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2x}{5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{5x}{10} - \frac{4x}{10}$$

Answer  $\frac{x}{10}$

3 Write  $\frac{1}{3a} + \frac{4}{a}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{1}{3a} + \frac{12}{3a}$$

Answer  $\frac{13}{3a}$





4 Write  $\frac{4b}{5} \times \frac{b}{6}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{4b^2}{30}$$

Answer  $\frac{2b^2}{15}$

5 Write  $\frac{4c}{9} \div \frac{8}{3c^2}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{4c}{9} \times \frac{3c^2}{8} = \frac{12c^3}{72}$$

Answer  $\frac{c^3}{6}$

6 Write  $\frac{3xy}{4} \times \frac{y}{6x}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{3xy^2}{24x}$$

Answer  $\frac{y^2}{8}$





7 Write  $\frac{4}{a} + \frac{3}{b} - \frac{7}{ab}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{4b}{ab} + \frac{3a}{ab} - \frac{7}{ab}$$

Answer  $\frac{4b+3a-7}{ab}$

8 Write  $\frac{2x}{y} \times \frac{5}{3x^2} \times \frac{y^6}{20}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{10xy^6}{60x^2y}$$

Answer  $\frac{y^5}{6x}$

9 Write  $\frac{2}{xy} + \frac{y}{x} + \frac{6}{x^2}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{2x}{x^2y} + \frac{xy^2}{x^2y} + \frac{6y}{x^2y}$$

Answer  $\frac{2x + xy^2 + 6y}{x^2y}$





10 Write  $\frac{5}{2x^2y} - \frac{3}{8xy^3}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{20y^3}{8x^2y^3} - \frac{3x}{8x^2y^3}$$

Answer  $\frac{20y^3 - 3x}{8x^2y^3}$

11 Write  $\frac{10xy}{6m^2n^2} \div \frac{5x^2y^2}{9mn^5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{10xy}{6m^2n^2} \times \frac{9mn^5}{5x^2y^2} = \frac{90mn^5xy}{30m^2n^2x^2y^2}$$

Answer  $\frac{3n^3}{mxy}$

12 Write  $\frac{x+2}{8} + \frac{2x}{3}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{3x+6}{24} + \frac{16x}{24}$$

Answer  $\frac{19x+6}{24}$





13 Write  $\frac{x+7}{6} + \frac{x+4}{9}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{3(x+7)}{18} + \frac{2(x+4)}{18} = \frac{3x+21+2x+8}{18}$$

Answer  $\frac{5x+29}{18}$

14 Write  $\frac{x+3}{4} - \frac{x+1}{5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{5(x+3)}{20} - \frac{4(x+1)}{20} = \frac{5(x+3)-4(x+1)}{20}$$

$$= \frac{5x+15-4x-4}{20}$$

Answer  $\frac{x+11}{20}$

15 Write  $\frac{2x+3}{7} - \frac{x-4}{2}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{2(2x+3)}{14} - \frac{7(x-4)}{14} = \frac{2(2x+3)-7(x-4)}{14}$$

$$= \frac{4x+6-7x+28}{14}$$

Answer  $\frac{34-3x}{14}$



16 Write  $\frac{8}{x+2} + \frac{1}{2x}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [2 marks]

$$\frac{8(2x)}{2x(x+2)} + \frac{1(x+2)}{2x(x+2)} = \frac{8(2x) + (x+2)}{2x(x+2)}$$

$$= \frac{16x + x + 2}{2x^2 + 4x}$$

Answer  $\frac{17x+2}{2x^2+4}$   $\left[ \frac{17x+2}{2x(x+2)} \text{ is also ok!} \right]$

17 Write  $\frac{10}{x+4} + \frac{5}{x+5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

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

$$= \frac{10x + 50 + 5x + 20}{(x+4)(x+5)}$$

Answer  $\frac{15x + 70}{x^2 + 9x + 20}$   $\left[ \frac{15x + 70}{(x+4)(x+5)} \text{ also ok!} \right]$

18 Write  $\frac{9}{x+8} - \frac{5}{x-5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

$$\frac{9(x-5)}{(x+8)(x-5)} - \frac{5(x+8)}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \frac{9(x-5) - 5(x+8)}{(x+8)(x-5)}$$

$$= \frac{9x - 45 - 5x - 40}{(x+8)(x-5)}$$

Answer  $\frac{4x - 85}{x^2 + 3x - 40}$   $\left[ \frac{4x - 85}{(x+8)(x-5)} \text{ is ok!} \right]$





19 Write  $\frac{5}{x-3} - \frac{3}{x+3}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

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

$$= \frac{5x+15-3x+9}{(x-3)(x+3)}$$

Answer  $\frac{2x+24}{x^2-9}$   $\left[ \frac{2x+24}{(x+3)(x-3)} \text{ is ok!} \right]$

20 Write  $\frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{2}{x+3}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [3 marks]

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

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

Answer  $\frac{x^2+x+2}{x^2+2x-3}$   $\left[ \frac{x^2+x+2}{(x-1)(x+3)} \text{ is ok!} \right]$

21 Write  $\frac{1}{2x-3} - \frac{x}{3x+5}$  as a single fraction in its simplest form. [4 marks]

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

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

Answer  $\frac{6x+5-2x^2}{6x^2+x-15}$   $\left[ \frac{6x+5-2x^2}{(2x-3)(3x+5)} \text{ is ok!} \right]$

