

Lesson 45 Objective: SWBAT add and subtract rational expressions with unlike denominators.

Kickoff- Simplify

$$1) \frac{x^2+16}{4-x} - \frac{8x}{4-x}$$

$\frac{x^2-8x+16}{4-x} - \frac{8x}{4-x}$
 $\frac{(x-4)(x+4)}{4-x} - \frac{8x}{4-x}$
 $\frac{-(x-4)}{4-x} - \frac{8x}{4-x}$
 $\frac{-x+4}{4-x} - \frac{8x}{4-x}$

$\frac{3}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{7} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{7}$
 $\frac{12}{21} + \frac{1}{21}$
 $\frac{13}{21}$

Homework

Add/Subtract Rational Expressions

- 1) Factor denominator completely.
- 2) Multiply factors to make the denominator the same.
- 3) Add/Subtract
*distribute -!
- 4) factor numerator
- 5) Simplify.

Examples:

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

$\frac{3x+6}{6} + \frac{2x-6}{6} = \frac{5x}{6}$

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

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

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

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

$$3) \frac{3y}{2y-6} + \frac{9}{6-2y}$$

$$\frac{-1 \cdot 3y}{-1 \cdot 2(y-3)} + \frac{9}{-2(-3+y)}$$

$$\frac{-3y}{-2(y-3)} + \frac{9}{-2(y-3)}$$

$$\frac{-3y+9}{-2(y-3)} = \frac{-3(y-3)}{-2(y-3)}$$

$$\frac{3}{2}$$

$$4) \frac{3}{4x} - \frac{3x}{8x}$$

$$\frac{6}{8x} - \frac{3x}{8x}$$

$$\frac{6-3x}{8x}$$

$$\frac{-3(-2+x)}{8x}$$

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

$$\frac{4y+3}{3y} - \frac{3y+6}{3y} = \frac{y-3}{3y}$$

$$6) \frac{x+2}{x^2-x} - \frac{6}{x^2-1}$$

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

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

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

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

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