

Lesson 5.9- Rationalizing the Denominator Monomial.notebook

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Take out a sheet of paper and answer the following:

Lesson 5.9- SWBAT rationalize the denominator with a monomial.

Kickoff- Perform the indicated operations:

$$1) -2\sqrt{45} + 3\sqrt{20} - 2\sqrt{6}$$

$\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} \quad \sqrt{4 \cdot 5}$

$-2 \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt{5} \quad 3 \cdot 2 \cdot \sqrt{5}$

$-6\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{5} = -2\sqrt{6}$

$$3) \sqrt{40} \div \sqrt{10} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$2) (2 + \sqrt{5})(2 - \sqrt{5})$$

$4 - 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{25}$

$4 - 5 = -1$

$$4) \frac{9\sqrt{72} + 18\sqrt{144}}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{9\sqrt{72}}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{18\sqrt{144}}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

$\begin{array}{l} 3\sqrt{36} \\ 3 \cdot 6 \\ 18 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{l} 6\sqrt{72} \\ \sqrt{36} \cdot \sqrt{2} \\ 6 \cdot 6\sqrt{2} \\ 36\sqrt{2} \end{array}$

$18 + 36\sqrt{2}$

Examples of Rationalizing the Denominator:

$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$ the $\sqrt{2}$ can not be simplified so we must **rationalize**. There is an irrational number in the denominator that we have to make rational by turning it into a perfect square.

$$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Steps:

1) Multiply the numerator and denominator by the radical in the denominator.

2) Simplify the radicals!

3) Reduce the numbers on the outside (divide!)

$$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{4}} = \boxed{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

Examples:

$$1) \frac{\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{72}} = \frac{\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{72}} \cdot \frac{5}{5} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{72}}{\sqrt{72}} = \frac{5\sqrt{72}}{72}$$

$\frac{30\sqrt{2}}{72} = \boxed{\frac{5\sqrt{2}}{12}}$

$2) \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1\sqrt{3}}{3} = \boxed{1\sqrt{3}}$

$$3) \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5}}$$

$$5) \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{15}}{3}}$$

$$4) \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$6) \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{27}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{27}}{\sqrt{27}} = \frac{1\sqrt{2}}{\boxed{3}}$$

$$11) \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

$$12) \frac{\sqrt{3x^2}}{4\sqrt{5x}}$$

$$13) \frac{\sqrt{15}}{5\sqrt{20}}$$

$$14) \frac{\sqrt{24}}{\sqrt{6}}$$