

A.APR.D.6: Rational Expressions 4

1 The expression $\frac{x^2 + 12}{x^2 + 3}$ can be rewritten as

- 1) $\frac{10}{x^2 + 3}$ 2) $1 + \frac{9}{x^2 + 3}$ 3) $x + 9$ 4) 4

2 The expression $\frac{x^2 + 6}{x^2 + 4}$ is equivalent to

- 1) $\frac{6}{4}$ 2) $1 + \frac{10}{x^2 + 4}$ 3) $1 - \frac{2}{x^2 + 4}$ 4) $1 + \frac{2}{x^2 + 4}$

3 The expression $\frac{4x^2 - 5}{x^2 - 1}$ is equivalent to

- 1) $4 - \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$ 2) $4 + \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$ 3) $4 - \frac{9}{x^2 - 1}$ 4) $4 - \frac{4}{x^2 - 1}$

4 The expression $2 - \frac{x - 1}{x + 2}$ is equivalent to

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

5 Algebraically prove that $\frac{x^3 + 9}{x^3 + 8} = 1 + \frac{1}{x^3 + 8}$, where $x \neq -2$.

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Answer Section

1 ANS: 2

$$\frac{x^2 + 12}{x^2 + 3} = \frac{x^2 + 3}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{9}{x^2 + 3} = 1 + \frac{9}{x^2 + 3}$$

REF: 062218aaii

2 ANS: 4

$$\frac{x^2 + 6}{x^2 + 4} = \frac{x^2 + 4}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{2}{x^2 + 4} = 1 + \frac{2}{x^2 + 4}$$

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3 ANS: 1

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

REF: 012510aaii

4 ANS: 2

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

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5 ANS:

$$\frac{x^3 + 9}{x^3 + 8} = \frac{x^3 + 8}{x^3 + 8} + \frac{1}{x^3 + 8}$$

$$\frac{x^3 + 9}{x^3 + 8} = \frac{x^3 + 9}{x^3 + 8}$$

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