

Algebra Lesson 11-2B **Multiplying and Dividing Rational Expressions**

*Simplify the Rational Expression*

**Multiply.**

1.  $\frac{7}{3} \cdot \frac{5x}{12}$

2.  $\frac{3}{t} \cdot \frac{4}{t}$

3.  $\frac{5}{3a^2} \cdot \frac{8}{a^3}$

4.  $\frac{m-2}{m+2} \cdot \frac{m}{m-1}$

5.  $\frac{2x}{x+1} \cdot \frac{x-1}{3}$

6.  $\frac{6x^2}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{x+1}$

7.  $\frac{4c}{2c+2} \cdot \frac{c+1}{c-1}$

8.  $\frac{5x^3}{x^2} \cdot \frac{3x^4}{6x}$

9.  $\frac{3t}{t-2} \cdot \frac{3t-6}{t^2}$

10.  $\frac{m-2}{3m+9} \cdot \frac{2m+6}{2m-4}$

11.  $\frac{x-5}{4x+6} \cdot \frac{6x+9}{3x-15}$

12.  $\frac{4x+1}{5x+10} \cdot \frac{30x+60}{2x-2}$

13.  $\frac{4t+4}{t-3} \cdot (t^2 - t - 6)$

14.  $\frac{2m+1}{3m-6} \cdot (9m^2 - 36)$

15.  $(x^2 - 1) \cdot \frac{x-2}{3x+3}$

29.  $\frac{t^2 + 5t + 6}{t - 3} \cdot \frac{t^2 - 2t - 3}{t^2 + 3t + 2}$

**Due Next Class: 11-2B p.537 #16-19 all; 21-27 odds; 30-32 all**

**Due Today: 11-2A p.537 #1-15 odds; #29**

**11.**  $\frac{x-5}{4x+6} \cdot \frac{6x+9}{3x-15}$

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

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$$\frac{m-2}{3m+9} \cdot \frac{2m+6}{2m-4}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{(m-2)} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{(m+3)}}{3(m+3) \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{(m-2)}}$$


$$\frac{1}{3}$$

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$$\frac{2}{3} \div \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{8}{7}$$

## Dividing Rational Expressions: Multiply by the Reciprocal

$$\frac{(2t^2 + 11t + 15)}{t + 1} \div \frac{2t + 5}{t + 3}$$


$$10 \div 2 = 5$$

$$10 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

$$\frac{(2t^2 + 11t + 15)}{t + 1} \cdot \frac{t + 3}{2t + 5}$$

$$\frac{(2t^2 + 11t + 15)}{t+1}$$

<del>5</del>	<del>6</del>	$2t$	$2t^2$	<del>6</del>
$11$	$5$	<del>5</del>	$15$	

$30$   
 $t$   $3$

$$\frac{t+3}{2t+5}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{(2t+5)}(t+3)(t+3)}{(t+1)\cancel{(2t+5)}}$$

$$\frac{(t+3)^2}{(t+1)}$$

$$22. \frac{y-4}{10} \div \frac{4-y}{5}$$

$$\frac{y-4}{\cancel{10}_2} \cdot \frac{\cancel{5}^1}{4-y}$$

$$-1 \frac{\cancel{y-3}}{\cancel{5-x}}$$

$$\frac{y-4}{4-y} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$$

$$-\frac{6}{6} = -1$$

**p.537 #16-19 all; #21-27 odds; #30-32 all**

**Find the reciprocal of each expression.**

16.  $\frac{2}{x+1}$   $\frac{x+1}{2}$

17.  $\frac{-6d^2}{2d-5}$

18.  $\frac{c^2-1}{1}$

19.  $\frac{s+4}{1}$

**Divide.**

20.  $\frac{x-1}{x+4} \div \frac{x+3}{x+4}$

21.  $\frac{3t+12}{5t} \div \frac{t+4}{10t}$

22.  $\frac{y-4}{10} \div \frac{4-y}{5}$

23.  $\frac{x-3}{6} \div \frac{3-x}{2}$

24.  $\frac{x^2+6x+8}{x^2+x-2} \div \frac{x+4}{2x+4}$

25.  $\frac{2n^2-5n-3}{4n^2-12n-7} \div \frac{4n+5}{2n-7}$

26.  $\frac{3x+9}{x} \div (x+3)$

27.  $\frac{11k+121}{7k-15} \div (k+11)$

28.  $\frac{x^2+10x-11}{x^2+12x+11} \div (x-1)$

**Multiply or divide.**

29.  $\frac{t^2+5t+6}{t-3} \cdot \frac{t^2-2t-3}{t^2+3t+2}$

30.  $\frac{c^2+3c+2}{c^2-4c+3} \div \frac{c+2}{c-3}$

31.  $\frac{7t^2-28t}{2t^2-5t-12} \cdot \frac{6t^2-t-15}{49t^3}$

32.  $\frac{5x^2+10x-15}{5-6x+x^2} \div \frac{2x^2+7x+3}{4x^2-8x-5}$

$$1. \frac{7t^2 - 28t}{2t^2 - 5t - 12} \cdot \frac{6t^2 - t - 15}{49t^3} = \frac{7t(t-4)}{(2t+3)(t-4)} \cdot \frac{(2t+3)(3t-5)}{49t^3}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{-24} \\ \cancel{-8} \quad \cancel{3} \\ \cancel{-5} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} 2t \quad 3 \\ t \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2t^2 & 3t \\ \hline \hline -4 & -12 \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array} \rightarrow (2t+3)(t-4)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{-90} \\ \cancel{-10} \quad \cancel{9} \\ \cancel{-1} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} 2t \quad 3 \\ 2t \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 6t^2 & 9t \\ \hline \hline -6 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array}$$