Algebra Lesson 11-1 Rational Expressions

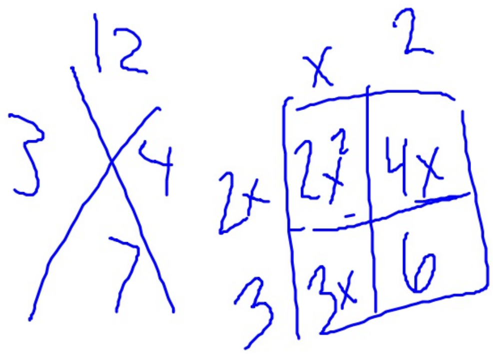
Simplifying Rational Expressions

Due Today: 11-1A p.532 #1-3 all

Due Tomorrow: 11-1B p.532 #1-17 odd; #25

$$\frac{6x+9}{2x^2+7x+6}$$

$$\frac{6x+9}{2x^2+7x+6} = \frac{3(2x+3)}{(x+2)(2x+3)}$$



$$\frac{3}{x+2}$$

Rational Expressions

$$\frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{2x^2+6x}$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 6 \qquad \frac{(x+2)(x+3)}{2x(x+3)}$$

$$2x^2+6x$$

$$\frac{x+2}{2x}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 7x}{x^2 - 49} = \frac{x(x+7)}{(x+7)(x-7)} = \frac{x}{x-7}$$

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

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

$\frac{2}{-2} = -$

$\frac{4}{-4} = -$

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Simplifying Rational Expressions

$$\frac{18 - 6x}{x^2 - 9}$$

$x^2 + 0x - 9$

-9

$3 \quad -3$

0

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