

## 9.6 Rational Equations

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Solve for  $x$ .

①

proportion

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

$$x^2 + 4x = 3x + 12$$

$$x^2 + x - 12 = 0$$

$$(x+4)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = -4, 3$$

②

$$\left[ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{4}{x+1} = 6 \right] x(x+1)$$

$$x+1 + 4x = 6x(x+1)$$

$$0 = 6x^2 + x - 1$$

$$0 = (3x-1)(2x+1)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{2}$$

③

$$\left[ \frac{3x-2}{x-2} = \frac{6}{x^2-4} + 1 \right] (x+2)(x-2)$$

$$(3x-2)(x+2) = 6 + (x^2-4)$$

$$3x^2 + 4x - 4 = x^2 + 2$$

$$2x^2 + 4x - 6 = 0 \quad x = -3, 1$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-1) = 0$$