

## Practice - Least Common Denominator

**Build up denominators.**

1)  $\frac{3}{8} = \frac{?}{48}$

2)  $\frac{a}{5} = \frac{?}{5a}$

3)  $\frac{a}{x} = \frac{?}{xy}$

4)  $\frac{5}{2x^2} = \frac{?}{8x^3y}$

5)  $\frac{2}{3a^3b^2c} = \frac{?}{9a^5b^2c^4}$

6)  $\frac{4}{x+5} = \frac{?}{9a^5b^2c^4}$

7)  $\frac{2}{x+4} = \frac{?}{x^2-16}$

8)  $\frac{x+1}{x-3} = \frac{?}{x^2-6x+9}$

9)  $\frac{x-4}{x+2} = \frac{?}{x^2+5x+6}$

10)  $\frac{x-6}{x+3} = \frac{?}{x^2-2x-15}$

**Find Least Common Denominators**

11)  $2a^3, 6a^4b^2, 4a^3b^5$

12)  $5x^2y, 25x^3y^5z$

13)  $x^2 - 3x, x - 3, x$

14)  $4x - 8, x - 2, 4$

15)  $x + 2, x - 4$

16)  $x, x - 7, x + 1$

17)  $x^2 - 25, x + 5$

18)  $x^2 - 9, x^2 - 3x + 9$

19)  $x^2 + 3x + 2, x^2 + 5x + 6$

20)  $x^2 - 7x + 10, x^2 - 2x - 15, x^2 + x - 6$

**Find LCD and build up each fraction**

21)  $\frac{3a}{5b^2}, \frac{2}{10a^3b}$

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

23)  $\frac{x+2}{x-3}, \frac{x-3}{x+2}$

24)  $\frac{5}{x^2-6x}, \frac{2}{x}, \frac{-3}{x-6}$

25)  $\frac{x}{x^2-16}, \frac{3x}{x^2-8x+16}$

26)  $\frac{5x+1}{x^2-3x-10}, \frac{4}{x-5}$

27)  $\frac{x+1}{x^2-36}, \frac{2x+3}{x^2+12x+36}$

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

29)  $\frac{4x}{x^2-x-6}, \frac{x+2}{x-3}$

30)  $\frac{3x}{x^2-6x+8}, \frac{x-2}{x^2+x-20}, \frac{5}{x^2+3x-10}$



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## Answers - Least Common Denominators

1) 18

2)  $a^2$

3)  $ay$

4)  $20xy$

5)  $6a^3c^3$

6) 12

7)  $2x - 8$

8)  $x^2 - 2x - 3$

9)  $x^2 - x - 12$

10)  $x^2 - 11x + 30$

11)  $12a^4b^5$

12)  $25x^3y^5z$

13)  $x(x - 3)$

14)  $4(x - 2)$

15)  $(x + 2)(x - 4)$

16)  $x(x - 7)(x + 1)$

17)  $(x + 5)(x - 5)$

18)  $(x - 3)^2(x + 3)$

19)  $(x + 1)(x + 2)(x + 3)$

20)  $(x - 2)(x - 5)(x + 3)$

21)  $\frac{6a^4}{10a^3b^2}, \frac{2b}{10a^3b}$

22)  $\frac{3x^2 + 6x}{(x - 4)(x + 2)}, \frac{2x - 8}{(x - 4)(x + 2)}$

23)  $\frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{(x - 3)(x + 2)}, \frac{2x^2 - 8x}{(x - 4)(x + 3)(x + 1)}$

24)  $\frac{5}{x(x - 6)}, \frac{2x - 12}{x(x - 6)}, \frac{-3x}{x(x - 6)}$

25)  $\frac{x^2 - 4x}{(x - 4)^2(x + 4)}, \frac{3x^2 + 12x}{(x - 4)^2(x + 4)}$

26)  $\frac{5x + 1}{(x - 5)(x + 2)}, \frac{4x + 8}{(x - 5)(x + 2)}$

$$27) \frac{x^2 + 7x + 6}{(x - 6)(x + 6)^2}, \frac{2x^2 - 9x - 18}{(x - 6)(x + 6)^2}$$

$$28) \frac{3x^2 + 4x + 1}{(x - 4)(x + 3)(x + 1)}, \frac{2x^2 - 8x}{(x - 4)(x + 3)(x + 1)}$$

$$29) \frac{4x}{(x - 3)(x + 2)}, \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{(x - 3)(x + 2)}$$

$$30) \frac{3x^2 + 15x}{(x - 4)(x - 2)(x + 5)}, \frac{x^2 - 4x + 4}{(x - 4)(x - 2)(x + 5)}, \frac{5x - 20}{(x - 4)(x - 2)(x + 5)}$$



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