

Unit 6 Test – Rational Expressions and Equations

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**Part A: Multiple Choice** Place the letter that corresponds with the best answer in the space provided to the right. (8 marks)

1. What are the non – permissible values for  $\frac{x}{2(x+3)} + \frac{3x}{(x+3)(x+1)}$ ? 1. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $x \neq 0, -3$  B)  $x \neq -3, -1$   
C)  $x \neq 0, -3, -1$  D)  $x \neq 0, -1$

2. Factor the following expression:  $2x^2 - 7x + 3$  2. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $(x - 6)(x - 1)$  B)  $(2x + 1)(x - 3)$   
C)  $(2x - 3)(x - 1)$  D)  $(2x - 1)(x - 3)$

3. Simplify the following:  $\frac{x^2+3x-4}{2x^2+12x+16}$  3. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $\frac{(x-1)}{2(x+2)}$  B)  $\frac{2(x-1)}{(x+2)}$   
C)  $\frac{(x-1)}{(x+2)}$  D)  $\frac{(x+1)}{2(x-2)}$

4. Simplify the following:  $\frac{x^2}{6} \div \frac{3x}{2y}$  4. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $\frac{xy}{9}$  B)  $\frac{x^3}{4y}$   
C)  $\frac{x^3}{2y}$  D)  $\frac{9}{xy}$

5. Simplify:  $\frac{4-2x}{x-2}$  5. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $x - 2$  B) 2  
C) -2 D)  $2x$

6. Simplify the following:  $\frac{5}{x+3} - \frac{(x-1)}{x+3}$  6. \_\_\_\_\_

- A)  $\frac{(4-x)}{(x+3)}$  B)  $\frac{6-x}{(x+3)(x+3)}$   
C)  $\frac{6}{(x+3)}$  D)  $\frac{(6-x)}{(x+3)}$

7. The area of a rectangle is  $3x^2 + 7x - 6$  and the width of the rectangle is  $x + 3$ . What is the simplified expression for the length? 7.\_\_\_\_\_

A)  $\frac{1}{3x+2}$

B)  $3x - 2$

C)  $3x + 2$

D)  $\frac{1}{3x-2}$

8. Simplify the following:  $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{x}{x+6}$  8.\_\_\_\_\_

A)  $x = -2, 3$

B)  $x = 2, -3$

C)  $x = 2$

D)  $x = -3$

**Part B: Short Answer Questions Complete each of the following in the space provided.**

**Be sure to show ALL necessary workings. (17 marks)**

1. Simplify.  $\frac{x}{x^2-3x-4} - \frac{4}{x+1}$  (4 marks)

2. Simplify. State all non – permissible values. (4 marks)

$$\frac{x^2 + 2x - 15}{2x^2 - 5x - 3} \div \frac{3x^2 + 21x + 30}{2x^2 + 3x + 1}$$

3. Simplify.  $\frac{\frac{-2}{x-7} + \frac{4}{x+7}}{\frac{x}{x^2-49} - \frac{-2}{x-7}}$  (4 marks)

4. Josh solved the following equation incorrectly. Identify and explain his mistake and find the correct solution. (5 marks)

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

$$1 + 2x(x-1) = 3(x+4)$$

$$1 + 2x^2 - 2x = 3x + 12$$

$$2x^2 - 5x - 11 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{113}}{4}$$