

National 5 Homework : 1 year course

Fractions & Algebraic Fractions

1. Copy and complete

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{(a)} & 2\frac{3}{8} + 4\frac{1}{4} & \text{(b)} & 5\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{2}{3} \\ \text{(e)} & 1\frac{5}{6} + 3\frac{3}{4} & \text{(f)} & 6\frac{1}{8} - 2\frac{3}{10} \\ & & \text{(g)} & 2\frac{7}{10} \times 4\frac{2}{3} \\ & & \text{(h)} & 6\frac{3}{4} \div 5\frac{5}{8} \end{array}$$

2. Simplify these fractions:

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{(a)} & \frac{y^2}{y} & \text{(b)} & \frac{9x}{6x^2} \\ & & \text{(c)} & \frac{10a^2b}{4ab^2} \\ & & \text{(d)} & \frac{2(x+1)(x-2)}{10(x+3)(x+1)} \end{array}$$

3. Factorise the numerator and/or the denominator, then simplify:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} & \frac{x+2}{4x+8} \\ \text{(b)} & \frac{x^2 + 2x - 15}{5x+25} \end{array}$$

4. Express each of the following as a single fraction and simplify where possible:

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{(a)} & \frac{3}{8k} \times \frac{2k}{21} & \text{(b)} & \frac{pq}{2} \times \frac{q}{p} \\ & & \text{(c)} & \frac{3m}{7} \div \frac{15m}{56} \\ & & \text{(d)} & \frac{h^2}{t} \div \frac{9h}{3t} \end{array}$$

5. By finding a common denominator work out these additions/subtractions.

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{(a)} & \frac{2x}{4} + \frac{5x}{3} & \text{(b)} & \frac{3}{m} - \frac{7}{n} \\ & & \text{(c)} & \frac{1}{g^2} + \frac{1}{g} \\ & & \text{(d)} & \frac{x+4}{2} - \frac{x+1}{3} \end{array}$$