

Mth 098 – Intermediate Algebra – **Practice Exam 5**

NOTE: This exam should not be taken as a complete list of possible problems. It is merely intended to be an example of the difficulty level of the regular exam. To best utilize it as a *practice* exam, try to complete the exam without notes or distractions. Try to emulate the classroom environment as much as possible.

1. Find the domain of the function $f(x) = \frac{2x - 4}{x^3 + 4x}$.

2. Simplify each rational expression.

a. $\frac{x^2 - 2x}{2 - x}$

b. $\frac{p^2 - 2p - 24}{p - 6}$

3. Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

$$\frac{x^2 + 12x + 35}{x^2 + 4x - 5} \cdot \frac{x - 1}{x^2 + 3x - 28}$$

4. Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

$$(x-3) \div \frac{x^2 + 3x - 18}{x^2}$$

5. Find the LCD. (You do NOT need to add or subtract. JUST find the LCD.)

a. $\frac{4}{x+2} + \frac{x}{(x-1)^2} - \frac{x^2}{x^2 + x - 2}$

b. $\frac{3}{12x^2y} - \frac{x^2}{18y^3}$

6. Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

$$\frac{x}{x+1} - \frac{2}{x^2-1}$$

7. Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

$$\frac{x+5}{x-4} - \frac{x+2}{x-4}$$

8. Perform the indicated operation and simplify.

$$\frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{7}{x^2+5x-6}$$

9. Simplify.

$$\frac{\frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{x^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{x}}$$

10. Simplify.

$$\frac{\frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x}}{\frac{x+y}{x}}$$

11. Solve the equation.

$$\frac{x-1}{x-5} = \frac{4}{x-5}$$

12. Solve the equation.

$$x + \frac{6}{x} = -5$$

13. For the pair of similar triangles shown below, find the length of the two unknown sides. Use methods learned in this class.

