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- ❖ Write your name below on the space provided.
- ❖ This test has a total of 4 pages.
- ❖ Work the problem in the space provided. If you need more space, write on the back of the test. Be sure to label the test as to which problem is on the back.
- ❖ To insure maximum credit, show your work. In general, full credit will not be given for unsupported answers.
- ❖ Be sure to write neatly in pencil. If I cannot read what was written, do not expect the problem to be graded.
- ❖ If you finish early, go over the test again.

Good luck!

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# Circle Final Answers

1) (3 points) How do you find the domain of a rational function?

2) (4 points) Find the domain of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{x^2 + 9x + 8}$ :

3) (5 points each) Perform the indicated operation. You may leave the answer in factored form:

a)  $\frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{x^2 - 6x - 7} \cdot \frac{x^2 - 5x - 14}{4x^2 + 8x}$

b)  $\frac{10x - 50}{x^2 + 6x + 9} \div \frac{x^2 - 25}{x^2 + 8x + 15}$

4) (5 points each) Perform the indicated operation. Be sure to simplify the numerator and reduce as needed. You may leave the denominator factored:

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

b)  $\frac{x + 1}{x^2 + 6x + 9} + \frac{x + 2}{x^2 + 8x + 15}$

5) (5 points each) Simplify the complex fractions completely:

a)  $\frac{\frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{2}{x-1}}{\frac{2}{x+1} + \frac{1}{x-1}}$

b)  $\frac{\frac{x+1}{x^2-9} + 5}{\frac{1}{x+3}}$

c)  $\frac{a^{-2} + b}{7 - a^{-1}}$

6) (5 points each) Solve for the variable:

a)  $\frac{2}{x+4} + \frac{x}{x-7} = \frac{2}{x^2-3x-28}$

b)  $\frac{5}{x+3} + \frac{8}{x-6} = \frac{x^2+6x}{x^2-3x-18}$

7) (2 points each) Short Answer: In this chapter, several of the sections dealt with using the LCD to complete the problem. Explain in each type of problem how the LCD was used. Do not give examples. Instead, give instructions as if you were explaining the process to someone who did not know:

a) Adding/Subtracting Fractions:

b) Simplifying Complex Fractions:

c) Solving Equations with Rational Expressions:

8) (5 points) Solve for  $k$  in the equation  $\frac{2}{k} + \frac{3}{l} = \frac{1}{m+1}$ :

9) (3 points each) Consider the two problems below. Give the steps necessary to complete the problem. **Do not actually complete the problem.** *Hint: Think about the directions that would be given for each problem type.*

a)  $\frac{x^2+5x+6}{4x+4} - \frac{x+1}{x^2+2x+1}$

b)  $\frac{x^2+5x+6}{4x+4} - \frac{x+1}{x^2+2x+1} = 5$

