

Solve:

The height of a cake varies directly as the amount of batter available and inversely as the base area of its baking pan. Baking 3 cups of batter in a 48 square inch pan results in a 2 inch tall cake. How much batter is needed for a 4 inch tall cake in a 36 square inch pan?

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FOR FULL CREDIT, YOU MUST IDENTIFY WHAT ALL YOUR VARIABLES REPRESENT, FIND THE SPECIFIC EQUATION CONNECTING THEM, AND SUMMARIZE YOUR FINAL ANSWER IN A SENTENCE USING THE CORRECT UNITS OF MEASUREMENT.

h = HEIGHT OF CAKE

b = AMOUNT OF BATTER

a = AREA OF PAN

$$h = \frac{kb}{a}$$

$$2 = \frac{k(3)}{48}$$

$$k = 32$$

$$h = \frac{32b}{a}$$

$$4 = \frac{32b}{36}$$

$$b = 4.5$$

4.5 CUPS OF BATTER
ARE NEEDED

Subtract and simplify:

$$\frac{x+5}{x^2+7x+12} - \frac{x+6}{x^2+6x+8}$$

$$x^2+7x+12 = (x+3)(x+4)$$

$$x^2+6x+8 = (x+2)(x+4)$$

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$$\text{LCD} = (x+2)(x+3)(x+4)$$

$$= \frac{x+5}{(x+3)(x+4)} \cdot \frac{x+2}{x+2} - \frac{x+6}{(x+2)(x+4)} \cdot \frac{x+3}{x+3}$$

$$= \frac{x^2+7x+10 - (x^2+9x+18)}{(x+2)(x+3)(x+4)}$$

$$= \frac{-2x-8}{(x+2)(x+3)(x+4)} = \frac{-2(x+4)}{(x+2)(x+3)(x+4)} = \frac{-2}{(x+2)(x+3)}$$

Subtract and simplify:

$$\frac{5x^2 - 8x - 9}{x^2 - 2x - 8} - \frac{3x^2 - 5x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8}$$

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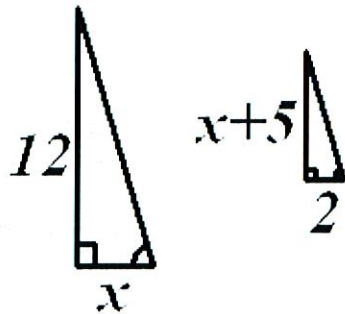
$$= \frac{2x^2 - 3x - 14}{x^2 - 2x - 8}$$

$$= \frac{(x+2)(2x-7)}{(x+2)(x-4)}$$

$$= \frac{2x-7}{x-4}$$

Solve for x in the following similar triangles:

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$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{12}{x+5}$$

$$x^2 + 5x = 24$$

$$x^2 + 5x - 24 = 0$$

$$(x+8)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = -\cancel{8}, 3$$

Simplify:

$$\frac{6x^2 - 7x + 2}{4x^2 + 4x - 3}$$

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

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

Find the equation of the horizontal asymptote of $y = \frac{5-9x}{15x-10}$. Simplify your answer.

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$$\text{As } x \rightarrow \pm\infty, y \approx \frac{-9x}{15x}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{5}$$

Find the equation of the vertical asymptote of $y = \frac{5-9x}{15x-10}$. Simplify your answer.

$$15x - 10 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Divide and simplify:

$$\frac{32x^2 - 18}{45x^2 - 30x^3} \div \frac{24x - 18}{10x^2 - 15x}$$

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$$= \frac{2(16x^2 - 9)}{-15x^2(2x - 3)} \cdot \frac{5x(2x - 3)}{6(4x - 3)}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{2}(4x - 3)(4x + 3)}{\cancel{-15}x^2(2x - 3)} \cdot \frac{\cancel{5}x(2x - 3)}{\cancel{6}(4x - 3)}$$

$\begin{matrix} -3 & 3 \end{matrix}$

$$= \frac{4x + 3}{-9x} = -\frac{4x + 3}{9x}$$

Simplify:

$$\frac{1 - \frac{8}{x-6}}{\frac{4}{x-6} - \frac{6}{x-2}} \cdot \frac{(x-6)(x-2)}{(x-6)(x-2)}$$

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$$= \frac{(x-6)(x-2) - 8(x-2)}{4(x-2) - 6(x-6)}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(x-6-8)}{4x-8-6x+36}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(x-14)}{-2x+28}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(x-14)}{-2(x-14)}$$

$$= -\frac{x-2}{2} \text{ or } \frac{2-x}{2}$$

Solve for x:

$$\frac{5}{x^2+3x-4} + \frac{3}{x^2+8x+16} = \frac{1}{x-1}$$

CHECK YOUR ANSWER(S).

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$$(x+4)^2(x-1) \left(\frac{5}{(x+4)(x-1)} + \frac{3}{(x+4)^2} \right) =$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{x-1} \right) (x+4)^2(x-1)$$

$$5(x+4) + 3(x-1) = (x+4)^2$$

$$\cancel{5x} + 20 + \cancel{3x} - 3 = x^2 + \cancel{8x} + 16$$

$$1 = x^2$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

$$\boxed{x = -1}$$

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

$$x^2+8x+16 = (x+4)^2$$

$$x-1 = (x-1)$$

$$\text{LCD} = (x+4)^2(x-1)$$

CHECK:

$$x=1 \quad \frac{5}{0} + \dots \quad \text{FAILS}$$

$$x=-1 \quad \frac{5}{-6} + \frac{3}{9} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{1}{-2}$$

$$= -\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= -\frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{6} = -\frac{3}{6} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

Solve:

Pat & Chris & Hunter each took a 63 km hike.

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- [a] Hunter was hiking at 6 km per hour. How many hours did Hunter hike ?

$$\frac{63}{6} = 10.5 \text{ HOURS}$$

- [b] Pat was hiking 1 km per hour faster than Chris, and took 4 hours less time than Chris.
How fast was Pat hiking ?

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LET x = PAT'S SPEED

SO $x - 1$ = CHRIS' SPEED

$$\frac{63}{x} = \text{PAT'S TIME}$$

$$\frac{63}{x-1} = \text{CHRIS' TIME}$$

$$\frac{63}{x} = \frac{63}{x-1} - 4$$

$$x(x-1)\left(\frac{63}{x}\right) = \left(\frac{63}{x-1} - 4\right) \times (x-1)$$

$$63(x-1) = 63x - 4x(x-1)$$

$$\cancel{63x} - 63 = \cancel{63x} - 4x^2 + 4x$$

$$4x^2 - 4x - 63 = 0$$

$$(2x - 9)(2x + 7) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{9}{2}, -\frac{7}{2}$$

PAT WAS HIKING

4.5 km PER HOUR