

Rational Rewrite Lab

Use polynomial division to separate a quotient and remainder.

HIGH SCHOOL • HSA-APR.D.6

CCSS.Math.Content.HSA-APR.D.6 "Rewrite simple rational expressions in different forms; write $a(x)/b(x)$ in the form $q(x) + r(x)/b(x)$, where $a(x)$, $b(x)$, $q(x)$..."

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QUOTIENT PLUS REMAINDER

Divide the numerator polynomial by the denominator polynomial. Write the result as quotient + remainder/denominator, and make sure the remainder has a lower degree than the denominator.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Rewrite $(7x^2 + 23x + 8)/(x + 6)$.

1. Divide leading terms: $7x^2 / x = 7x$.
2. Multiply $7x(x + 6) = 7x^2 + 42x$, then subtract to get $-19x + 8$.
3. Divide $-19x / x = -19$, then multiply $-19(x + 6) = -19x - 114$.
4. Subtract to get a remainder of 122.

Answer: $7x - 19 + 122/(x + 6)$

PRACTICE 6 problems

1 Rewrite $(x^2 + 14x + 31)/(x + 5)$.

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2 Rewrite $(3x^2 - x + 10)/(x - 4)$.

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3 Rewrite $(3x^2 + 14x - 5)/(x + 5)$.

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4 Rewrite $(x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x + 12)/(x - 2)$.

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5 Rewrite $(x^3 + 5x^2 + 9x + 13)/(x^2 + x + 3)$.

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6 Rewrite $(2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x + 9)/(x^2 - x + 2)$.

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APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A student music channel uses $S(d) = (d^2 + 13d + 41)/(d + 5)$ to model playlist saves after d days. Rewrite $S(d)$ as a polynomial plus a fraction.

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- 2** An esports club uses $P(t) = (3t^2 + 9t + 18)/(t - 2)$ to model points earned after t tournament rounds. Rewrite $P(t)$ as a polynomial plus a fraction.

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CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

Rewrite $(5x^4 - 9x^3 + 9x^2 + 15x - 22)/(x^2 - 2x + 3)$. Then explain why the remainder is valid.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Rewrite $(x^2 + 14x + 31)/(x + 5)$.	$x + 9 - 14/(x + 5)$
2	Rewrite $(3x^2 - x + 10)/(x - 4)$.	$3x + 11 + 54/(x - 4)$
3	Rewrite $(3x^2 + 14x - 5)/(x + 5)$.	$3x - 1$
4	Rewrite $(x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x + 12)/(x - 2)$.	$x^2 + 4x - 1 + 10/(x - 2)$
5	Rewrite $(x^3 + 5x^2 + 9x + 13)/(x^2 + x + 3)$.	$x + 4 + (2x + 1)/(x^2 + x + 3)$
6	Rewrite $(2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x + 9)/(x^2 - x + 2)$.	$2x - 1 + (-x + 11)/(x^2 - x + 2)$

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. **$S(d) = d + 8 + 1/(d + 5)$** Divide $d^2 + 13d + 41$ by $d + 5$. The quotient is $d + 8$ and the remainder is 1.
2. **$P(t) = 3t + 15 + 48/(t - 2)$** Divide $3t^2 + 9t + 18$ by $t - 2$. The quotient is $3t + 15$ and the remainder is 48.

CHALLENGE

$5x^2 + x - 4 + (4x - 10)/(x^2 - 2x + 3)$. The remainder is valid because $4x - 10$ has degree 1, which is less than the denominator's degree of 2.

Accept equivalent forms, including a remainder written with terms in a different order. For exact division, accept the quotient alone or the quotient plus 0 divided by the original denominator.