

12.5 EXERCISES

HOMEWORK KEY

- = **WORKED-OUT SOLUTIONS**
on p. WS1 for Exs. 5, 15, and 35
- ✚ = **TAKS PRACTICE AND REASONING**
Exs. 21, 26, 27, 28, 36, 37, 39, and 40
- ◆ = **MULTIPLE REPRESENTATIONS**
Ex. 35

SKILL PRACTICE

- VOCABULARY** Copy and complete: To divide by a rational expression, multiply by its .
- WRITING** Describe how to multiply a rational expression by a polynomial.

EXAMPLES 1, 2, and 3

on pp. 802–803
for Exs. 3–10, 12

MULTIPLYING EXPRESSIONS Find the product.

- $\frac{9p^2}{7} \cdot \frac{5}{6p^4}$
- $\frac{v^2 + v - 12}{5v + 10} \cdot \frac{-v - 2}{v^2 + 5v + 4}$
- $\frac{5x}{2x^3 - 17x^2 - 9x} \cdot \frac{4x^2 - 20x - 144}{20}$
- $\frac{5}{8q^6} \cdot \frac{4q^5}{3}$
- $\frac{y - 2}{-2y^2 - 10y} \cdot \frac{4y^2 + 20y}{y^2 - 4}$
- $\frac{r^5}{7r^3 + 56r} \cdot (r^2 + 8)$
- $\frac{-3m}{m^2 - 7m + 10} \cdot (m - 5)$
- $\frac{2n - 6}{3n^2 - 7n - 6} \cdot (3n^2 + 14n + 8)$

EXAMPLES 4 and 5

on p. 804
for Exs. 11,
13–21

ERROR ANALYSIS Describe and correct the error in finding the product or quotient.

11. $\frac{x^3}{5} \div \frac{15x^3}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^3}{5} \div \frac{15x^3}{2} &= \frac{5}{x^3} \cdot \frac{15x^3}{2} \\ &= \frac{75x^3}{2x^3} \\ &= \frac{75}{2} \end{aligned}$$

12. $\frac{x - 2}{x + 5} \cdot \frac{x}{2 - x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x - 2}{x + 5} \cdot \frac{x}{2 - x} &= \frac{(x - 2)x}{(x + 5)(2 - x)} \\ &= \frac{(x - 2)x}{(x + 5)(2 - x)} \\ &= \frac{x}{x + 5} \end{aligned}$$

DIVIDING EXPRESSIONS Find the quotient.

- $\frac{16r^2}{3} \div \frac{12}{5r}$
- $\frac{2w^2 + 5w}{w^2 - 81} \div \frac{w^2}{w + 9}$
- $\frac{a^2 + 3a - 10}{a^2 + 6a - 7} \div \frac{9a^3 - 18a^2}{3a^2 + 18a - 21}$
- $\frac{4k^2 + 4k - 15}{2k - 3} \div (2k + 5)$
- $\frac{25s^{12}}{18} \div \frac{5s^6}{2}$
- $\frac{c^2 + c}{c^2 + c - 30} \div \frac{c - 6}{c^2 - 11c + 30}$
- $\frac{2x^2 - 9x + 9}{35x + 14} \div \frac{-3x^2 + 13x - 12}{15x^2 - 14x - 8}$
- $\frac{t^2 - 9t - 22}{5t - 1} \div (5t^2 + 9t - 2)$
- TAKS REASONING** What common factor do you divide out when finding the quotient $\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x^2 - 2x - 3} \div \frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{x^2 - 7x + 12}$?

- (A) $x - 1$ (B) $x - 3$ (C) $x + 1$ (D) $x + 3$