**DIRECTIONS**: Simplify.

1. 
$$\frac{3}{x-5} - \frac{6x}{x^2-25}$$

$$-\frac{3}{x+5}$$

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

3. 
$$\frac{3}{4m^2n^2} + \frac{7}{8mn^5}$$

$$\frac{6n^3 + 7m}{8m^2n^5}$$

4. 
$$\frac{1-\frac{2}{3x}}{x-\frac{4}{9x}}$$

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

DIRECTIONS: Solve. Check for extraneous roots.

**6.** 
$$x + \frac{6}{x} = 5$$
  
 $x = 2, 3$ 

7. 
$$\frac{2}{x-1} = \frac{3}{x+1}$$
 $x = 5$ 

8. 
$$\frac{3}{y-2} - \frac{2y}{y^2-4} = \frac{5}{y+2}$$
  
 $y = 4$ 

$$9. \frac{2x-1}{15} \le \frac{5}{3}$$

$$x \le 13$$

**DIRECTIONS**: Solve. Be sure to label your answers.

**10.** Deanna can paint the outside of a house in 12 hours. Benito can paint the same house in 15 hours. How long would it take them working together to paint the house?

 $6\frac{2}{3}$  hours or 6 hours 40 minutes

**11.** If one half of a number is 10 less than two thirds of the number, what is the number?

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**12.** Dr. Bunsen Honeydew wants to obtain 400 mL of a 5% solution of acetic acid by mixing 2% and 10% solutions of acetic acid. How much of each solution should be used?

250 mL of 2% solution and 150 mL of 10% solution