**DIRECTIONS**: Solve. Check for extraneous roots.

**1.** 
$$z^2 - \frac{15z}{8} - \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

$$z = -\frac{1}{8}, 2$$

**2.** 
$$\frac{a^2}{24} - \frac{a}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$a = 2, 6$$

3. 
$$\frac{5b^2}{8} - \frac{1}{2} = -b$$

$$b = \frac{2}{5}, -2$$

**4.** 
$$w^3 - \frac{5w^2}{6} - w = 0$$

$$w = -\frac{2}{3}, 0, \frac{3}{2}$$

**5.** 
$$\frac{d}{4} - \frac{1}{5} \le 0$$

$$d \leq \frac{4}{5}$$

**6.** 
$$\frac{m+1}{5} + \frac{m+2}{7} < \frac{4}{5}$$

$$m < \frac{11}{12}$$

7. If  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a number is 4 more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the number, what is the number?

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**8.** 
$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{z} - \frac{5}{6z}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{4}$$

9. 
$$\frac{a-7}{a+3} = \frac{a-9}{a-3}$$

$$a = 12$$

**10.** 
$$\frac{1}{v-6} + \frac{1}{v+6} = \frac{2v}{v^2-36}$$

$$v \neq \pm 6$$
 (all other real numbers are OK)

**11.** 
$$6 + \frac{12}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{5}{x - 1}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$$

**12.** 
$$\frac{n-4}{3n-2} - \frac{n-7}{n+1} = 0$$

$$n = 1, 9$$

**13.** 
$$\frac{u+3}{4u+7} = 1 + \frac{2(1-2u)}{5u-1}$$

$$u = -5.2$$