

## 4.1 HW: Simplifying Rational Expressions

1. The length of a rectangular prism is 9 more than the width. The volume is  $w^3 + 8w^2 - 9w$ . What is the *simplified* expression for the height of the prism?
2. Write a rational expression that has 4 and  $-3$  as excluded values.
3. A square has a side length of  $x + 4$ . A rectangle with a height of  $2x + 8$  has the same area as the square. Write an expression for the length of the rectangle.

**Simplify and state the excluded values.**

4. 
$$\frac{k + 3}{k^2 + 8k + 15}$$

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

6. 
$$\frac{n - 2}{n^2 - 7n + 10}$$

7. 
$$\frac{20n^2 + 12n}{12n}$$

8. 
$$\frac{6b^2 - 14b}{4b^2 + 6b}$$

9. 
$$\frac{b^2 + b - 12}{b^2 - 9b + 18}$$

10. 
$$\frac{9m - 27}{m^2 - 11m + 24}$$

11. 
$$\frac{n^2 + 6n + 9}{n^2 + 9n + 18}$$

12. 
$$\frac{21p^2 + 35p}{21p^2 - 28p}$$

13. 
$$\frac{r^2 - 6r + 9}{r^2 - 10r + 21}$$

14. 
$$\frac{n^2 - 36}{n^2 - n - 42}$$

15. 
$$\frac{k^2 + 14k + 48}{k^2 - 4k - 60}$$

16. 
$$\frac{18x^3 + 30x^2 + 12x}{42x^3 + 90x^2 + 12x}$$

17. 
$$\frac{2x + 16}{5x^3 + 39x^2 - 8x}$$

Perform the following operations.

18. 
$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{5}$$

19. 
$$\frac{11}{5} \div 2$$

20. 
$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}$$

21. 
$$\frac{8}{12} - \frac{3}{8}$$