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LEARNING OBJECTIVE: We will solve equations with variable expressions in the denominator and rewrite equations as compound equations. (Lesson 93)

ACTIVATING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE:

We can solve equations with variables in the denominator.

$\frac{7}{3x+9} \neq \frac{1}{8} \quad (3x+9)$ $(8) 7 = \frac{3x+9}{8} \quad (8) \quad \boxed{\{15\frac{2}{3}\}}$ $\begin{array}{r} 3x+9 = 56 \\ -9 \quad -9 \end{array} \quad \boxed{3x=47} \quad \boxed{x=15\frac{2}{3}}$	$\frac{6}{7x+5} \neq \frac{1}{9}$ $7x+5=54$ $\begin{array}{r} -5 \quad -5 \end{array} \quad \boxed{\{7\}}$ $\boxed{7x=49} \quad \boxed{x=7}$
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CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT:

We should rewrite expressions as compound statements noting any values for the variables that are disallowed.

Examples:

$\frac{5}{x+2}$ has a meaningful value for all values of x , except $x = -2$.

$$x+2 \neq 0$$

Why? Because $\frac{5}{0}$ would be dividing by zero, and we do not want to do that!

So, $\frac{5}{x+2}$ should be read as a compound statement:

$$\frac{5}{x+2} \text{ and } x+2 \neq 0$$

What is the value of $\frac{3x-6}{x-2}$? What values of x are disallowed?

$$x \neq 2$$

What are the values of x that are **not** permissible in this expression?

$\frac{10}{x+5}$ $x \neq -5$	$\frac{x^2 - 25}{(x^2 - 9)(x + 4)}$ $(x-3)(x+3)$ $x \neq -4, 3, -3$
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GUIDED PRACTICE:**Steps to Solving Equations with Variable Expressions in the Denominator**

1. Rewrite the Equation as a System of Equations.
2. Solve the equation and exclude the values of x that lead a denominator of 0.
3. Express your solution in set notation.

$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{3}{x-2} \quad X \neq 0, 2$ $\frac{1}{x} \times \frac{3}{x-2}$ and $x \neq 0, 2$ $3x = x - 2$ $\begin{array}{r} -x \quad -x \\ 2x = -2 \\ \frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} \quad x = -1 \end{array}$ $\boxed{\{-1\}}$	$\frac{2}{x} = \frac{3}{x-4}$ $3x = 2(x-4) \text{ and } X \neq 4, 0$ $3x = 2x - 8$ $\begin{array}{r} -2x \quad -2x \\ x = -8 \end{array} \quad \{-8\}$ $\boxed{x = -8}$
$\frac{x+3}{x-2} \times \frac{5}{x-2} \text{ and } x \neq 2$ $(x+3)(x-2) = 5(x-2)$ $(x+3)(x-2) - 5(x-2) = 0$ $(x-2)[(x+3)-5] = 0$ $(x-2)(x-2) = 0$ $x-2 = 0 \text{ or } x-2 = 0$ $x = 2 \text{ or } x = 2$ $\emptyset \quad \{ \}$	$\frac{x}{x+6} = \frac{6}{x+6}$ $x \neq -6$ $\frac{x}{x+6} \times \frac{-6}{x+6}$ $x(x+6) = -6(x+6)$ $x(x+6) + 6(x+6) = 0$ $(x+6)(x+6) = 0 \quad x = -6$ \emptyset
$\frac{x}{7-x} \times \frac{2x}{1} \text{ and } x \neq 7$ $2x(7-x) = x$ $14x - 2x^2 = x$ $\begin{array}{r} -x \quad -x \\ 13x - 2x^2 = 0 \\ x(13-2x) = 0 \end{array}$ $x = 0 \text{ or } 13-2x = 0$ $x = 6.5$ $\{0, 6.5\}$	$\frac{3+x}{3-x} \times \frac{3+2x}{3-2x} \text{ and } x \neq 3, \frac{3}{2}$ $(3+x)(3-2x) = (3-x)(3+2x)$ $9 - 3x - 2x^2 = 9 + 3x - 2x^2$ $\begin{array}{r} -3x \quad -3x \\ -3x = 3x \end{array} \quad \{0\}$ $\frac{0}{6} = \frac{6x}{6} = \boxed{x = 0}$

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INDEPENDENT PRACTICE:

Problem Set from Lesson 18?

CLOSURE:

Write an equation that will have the restriction $x \neq -3$, $x \neq 14$, and $x \neq 0$.

NOTES:

This maps to Lesson 18 in Alg 1 Mod 1 of ENY.