Unit 12: Rational Expressions and Equations

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Transfer

Big Idea: Rational Expressions & Equations

Essential Questions

How do you use your prior knowledge of performing operations with fractions to performing operations with rational expressions?

What are the characteristics of rational functions?

Enduring Understandings

A single quantity may be represented by many different expressions.

Functions can be represented in a variety of ways, such as graphs, tables, equations, or words. Each representation is particularly useful in certain situations.

The numbers and types of solutions vary predictably, based on the type of equation.

Standards in Mathematics

MA.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
MA.K-12.4	Model with mathematics.
MA.F-IF.B	Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context
MA.F-IF.B.4	For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of

	graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship.
MA.K-12.6	Attend to precision.
MA.K-12.7	Look for and make use of structure.
MA.A-APR.D	Rewrite rational expressions
MA.A-APR.D.7	Understand that rational expressions form a system analogous to the rational numbers, closed under addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division by a nonzero rational expression; add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational expressions.
MA.A-CED.A	Create equations that describe numbers or relationships
MA.A-CED.A.1	Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems.

Critical Knowledge and Skills

Vocabulary

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Asymptote, Exclude Value, Rational Equation, Rational Expression, Rational Function

Learning Objectives

Simplify rational expressions (A.APR.7)

Multiply and divide rational expressions (A.APR.7)

Add and subtract rational expressions (A.APR.7)

Solve rational equations and proportions (A.CED.1)

Graph rational functions (F.IF.4)

Resources

Khan Academy: Rational relationships

Desmos: Rational Functions Sign Analysis