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Class worksheet: Alg2H
Rational expressions: Divide (Long)
(book chapter 6)

Divide (two fractions)

$$\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{d}{c}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{8}}{\frac{1}{9}} = \frac{1}{8} \div \frac{1}{9} = \boxed{\frac{9}{8}}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 7x + 10}{2x - 4} \div \frac{x^2 - 3x - 10}{x - 2} = \left(\begin{array}{l} x \neq 2 \\ \neq -5 \\ \neq -2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(x+2)(x+5)}{2(x-2)} \cdot \frac{(x-2)}{(x-5)(x+2)} =$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{x+5}{2(x-5)}}$$

Division (simple)

$$\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c} = \frac{a+b}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c}$$

$$\frac{8x^2 + 4x + 12}{4x} = \frac{8x^2}{4x} + \frac{4x}{4x} + \frac{12}{4x} = \boxed{2x + 1 + \frac{3}{x}}$$

$$\frac{6x^3 + 2x^2 + 8x}{2x} = \boxed{3x^2 + x + 4}$$

Division (Long)

$$(3x^3 + 19x^2 + 26x + 8) \div (3x + 4) = ?$$

$$(3x^3 + 19x^2 + 26x + 8) = (3x + 4) \cdot [x^2 + 5x + 2]$$

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| | $\begin{array}{r} 5y^2 + 3y + 4 \\ \hline 2y + 3 \overline{) 10y^3 + 21y^2 + 17y + 12} \\ \underline{10y^3 + 15y^2} \\ 6y^2 + 17y \\ \underline{6y^2 + 9y} \\ 8y + 12 \end{array}$ | $\boxed{5y^2 + 3y + 4}$ |
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$$\frac{6y^3 - 8y^2 - 17y - 6}{3y + 1} = 2y^2 - 4y - 3$$

$$\frac{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 2x - 1}{(x + 1)} = x^3 + x + 1$$

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| $\frac{9y^4 + 19y^2 - 8}{3y + 2}$ | $3y^3 - 2y^2 + 6y - 4$ |
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