

# Collingwood 12

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**3.8a Problem:** Solve for  $x$ :  $\frac{x^2-2x+1}{x+5} = x - 2$ .

**3.8a Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x + 5} &= x - 2 \\ x^2 - 2x + 1 &= (x - 2)(x + 5) \\ x^2 - 2x + 1 &= x^2 + 3x - 10 \\ -5x &= -11 \\ x &= \frac{11}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $x = \frac{11}{5}$ .

**3.8b Problem:** Solve for  $x$ :  $\frac{x-3}{x+2} = 1$ .

**3.8b Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x - 3}{x + 2} &= 1 \\ x - 3 &= x - 2 \\ -3 &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Because  $-3 \neq 2$ , the derived equation is a contradiction and hence there are no solutions.

**3.8c Problem:** If  $x = -2$ , find ALL solutions of the equation  $(x + 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 10$ .

**3.8c Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}(x + 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 &= 10 \\ (-2 + 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 &= 10 \\ (y - 1)^2 &= 9 \\ y - 1 &= \pm 3 \\ y &= \pm 3 + 1\end{aligned}$$

Thus, solutions are  $(-2, -2)$  and  $(-2, 4)$ .

**3.8d Problem:** If  $y = 3$ , find ALL solutions of the equation  $5(x + 1)^2 + 2(y - 1)^2 = 10$ .

**3.8d Solution:**

$$5(x + 1)^2 + 2(y - 1)^2 = 10$$

$$5(x + 1)^2 + 2(2)^2 = 10$$

$$5(x + 1)^2 = 2$$

$$(x + 1)^2 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$x + 1 = \pm\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}$$

$$x = \frac{\pm\sqrt{10}}{5} - 1$$

Therefore, solutions are  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{10}}{5} - 1, 3\right)$  and  $\left(-\frac{\sqrt{10}}{5} - 1, 3\right)$ .