

Example 4:

$$\text{This is like: } \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{12 \cancel{3}^1}{20 \cancel{3}^1} = \frac{36}{180} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Simplify.

$$\text{a. } \frac{(y-5) \cdot 2y^2}{(3y^2-3y)(y^2-6y+5)} = \frac{2 \cdot \cancel{y} \cdot \cancel{y} \cdot (y-5)}{3 \cdot \cancel{y} \cdot (y-1) \cdot \cancel{(y-5)} \cdot (y-1)} = \boxed{\frac{2y}{3(y-1)^2}}$$

$$\text{b. } \frac{(2x+1)(2x-3)}{(2x^2-x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{(2x+1) \cdot \cancel{(2x-3)}}{\cancel{(2x-3)} \cdot (x+1)} = \boxed{\frac{2x+1}{x+1}}$$

Example 5:

$$\text{This is like: } \frac{12}{5} \div \frac{3}{10} = \frac{12}{5} \cdot \frac{10}{3} = \frac{120}{15} = 8$$

Simplify.

$$\text{a. } \frac{(n-2)(n-2)}{2n(n+5)} = \frac{(n-2)}{2n} \cdot \frac{(n+5)}{\cancel{(n-2)}} = \frac{\cancel{(n-2)} \cdot (n+5)}{2 \cdot n \cdot \cancel{(n-2)}} = \boxed{\frac{n+5}{2n}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } \frac{(5x^2-20x)}{(x+5)} \div \frac{(x-4)}{1} &= \frac{(5x^2-20x)}{(x+5)} \cdot \frac{1}{(x-4)} \\ &= \frac{5x \cdot \cancel{(x-4)}}{(x+5) \cdot \cancel{(x-4)}} = \boxed{\frac{5x}{x+5}} \end{aligned}$$