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Read each problem **very carefully** before starting to solve it. Each problem is worth 10 points. It is necessary to show **all** your work. Correct answers without explanations are worth 0 points. GOOD LUCK!!

1. (a) Solve the equation  $(x - 6)(x + 1) = 18$ .

- (b) Find the domain of the rational function

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2}.$$

2. Perform the operations and reduce to lowest terms:

(a)  $\frac{4x - 2}{x^2 - 5x} \div \frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 - 25} =$

(b)  $\frac{10}{x^2 + x - 6} - \frac{2}{x - 2} =$

3. Simplify the complex fraction and reduce to lowest terms  $\frac{x - \frac{x + 6}{x + 2}}{x - \frac{4x + 15}{x + 2}}$ .

4. Perform the division  $(6x^3 - 7x^2 + 5x + 6) \div (3x - 2)$  and write your answer in the form  
Quotient +  $\frac{\text{Remainder}}{\text{Divisor}}$ .

5. Solve the rational equation  $\frac{x - 4}{x^2 + 2x - 15} = 2 - \frac{2}{x - 3}$ .