

# Adding/Subtracting Fractions

Using Reducing Method to Find CD

1. Find a CD
2. Make = fractions
3. Add/subtract numerators
4. Bring down denominator
5. Simplify

**Example**  $5/18 + 7/24$   
find CD;  $\frac{24}{18} = \frac{4}{3}, \therefore CD \text{ is } 3 \times 24 = 72$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{5}{18} = \frac{20}{72} \\ + \frac{7}{24} = \frac{21}{72} \\ \hline \frac{41}{72} \end{array}$$

*Recall – to find the LCD when denominators are larger composite numbers, place the denominators over each other, simplify, then cross multiply.*

Perform the indicated operation

1.  $5/18 + 9/24$

2.  $7/12 + 4/15$

3.  $9/27 + 5/18$

4.  $13/16 - 5/24$

5.  $11/16 - 5/24$

6.  $7/15 + 6/25$

7.  $9/32 + 7/48$

8.  $17/24 - 9/40$

9.  $5/18 + 7/45$

10.  $15/16 - 9/40$

11.  $7/20 + 9/35$

12.  $5/8 + 9/28$

