

Exercise.1F

Answer.1. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{2-3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{-1} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} \{ \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{9} = 3 \}$
 $\{ \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{4} = 2 \}$

Answer.2.

i) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{7}$

ii) $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{15}}{4 \times \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{15}}{12} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{6}$

iii) $\frac{1}{2+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2^2-\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{4-3} = \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{1} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$

iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}-2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{\sqrt{5}+2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{\sqrt{5}^2-2^2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{5-4} = \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{1} = 5 + \sqrt{2}$

v) $\frac{1}{5+3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{5+3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{5-3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{5^2-(3\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{25-9 \times 2} = \frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{25-18} = \frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{7}$

vi) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{7}^2-\sqrt{6}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{7-6} = \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6}$

vii) $\frac{4}{\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{7}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7}} = \frac{4(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7})}{\sqrt{11}^2+\sqrt{7}^2} = \frac{4(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7})}{11-7} = \frac{4(\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7})}{4} = \sqrt{11} + \sqrt{7}$

viii) $\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{2+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1 \times 2 + 1 \times \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} \times 2 + \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2}}{2^2-\sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{2+\sqrt{2}+2\sqrt{2}+2}{4-2} \{ \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{4} = 2 \}$

$$= \frac{4 + 3\sqrt{2}}{4 - 2} = \frac{4 + 3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

ix) $\frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{3+2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{3+2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{3-2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(3-2\sqrt{2})^2}{3^2-(2\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{3^2+(2\sqrt{2})^2-2(3 \times 2\sqrt{2})}{9-4 \times 2} = \frac{9+4 \times 2-12\sqrt{2}}{9-8}$
 $= \frac{9 + 8 - 12\sqrt{2}}{1} = 17 - 12\sqrt{2}$

Answer.3. Given, $\sqrt{2} = 1.414$, $\sqrt{3} = 1.732$, $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$ and $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$

- i) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2}{2.236} = \frac{2}{2.236} \times \frac{1000}{1000} = \frac{2000}{2236} = 0.894$
- ii) $\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}^2}{\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}-3}{3} = \frac{2 \times 1.732-3}{3} = \frac{3.464-3}{3} = \frac{0.464}{3} = 0.155(\text{approx})$
- iii) $\frac{\sqrt{10}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3.162-2.236}{1.414} = \frac{0.962}{1.414} = 0.655(\text{approx.})$

Answer.4.

i) $\frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = a + b\sqrt{2}$
LHS,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}-1} &= \frac{(\sqrt{2}-1)^2}{\sqrt{2}^2-1^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}^2+1^2-2(\sqrt{2} \times 1)}{2-1} \{(a-b)^2 = a^2+b^2-2ab\} \\ &= \frac{2+1-2\sqrt{2}}{1} = 3-2\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

As LHS=RHS

$$\therefore 3-2\sqrt{2} = a + b\sqrt{2}$$

So, $a = 3$ and $-2\sqrt{2} = b\sqrt{2}; b = -2$

ii) $\frac{2-\sqrt{5}}{2+\sqrt{5}} = a\sqrt{5} + b$
LHS,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2-\sqrt{5}}{2+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{5}}{2-\sqrt{5}} &= \frac{(2-\sqrt{5})^2}{2^2-\sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{2^2-\sqrt{5}^2-2(2 \times \sqrt{5})}{4-5} \\ &= \frac{4+5-4\sqrt{5}}{-1} \{(a-b)^2 = a^2+b^2-2ab\} \\ &= \frac{9-4\sqrt{5}}{-1} = 4\sqrt{5}-9 \end{aligned}$$

As LHS=RHS

$$\therefore 4\sqrt{5}-9 = a\sqrt{5} + b$$

So, $4\sqrt{5} = a\sqrt{5}; a = 4$ and $b = -9$

iii) $\frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} = a + b\sqrt{6}$
LHS,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} &= \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})^2}{\sqrt{3}^2-\sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}^2+\sqrt{2}^2+2(\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2})}{3-2} = \frac{3+2+2\sqrt{6}}{1} \{(a-b)^2 \\ &= a^2+b^2-2ab\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$$

As LHS=RHS

$$\therefore 5 + 2\sqrt{6} = a + b\sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{So, } a = 5$$

and

$$2\sqrt{6} = b\sqrt{6}; b = 2$$

$$\text{iv) } \frac{5+2\sqrt{3}}{7+4\sqrt{3}} = a + b\sqrt{3}$$

LHS,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5+2\sqrt{3}}{7+4\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{7-4\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{(5+2\sqrt{3})(7-4\sqrt{3})}{7^2 - (4\sqrt{3})^2} = \frac{5 \times 7 + 5 \times -4\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} \times 7 + 2\sqrt{3} \times -4\sqrt{3}}{49 - 16 \times 3} \\ &= \frac{35 - 20\sqrt{3} + 14\sqrt{3} - 8 \times 3}{49 - 48} = \frac{35 - 24 - 6\sqrt{3}}{1} = 11 - 6\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

As LHS=RHS

$$\therefore 11 - 6\sqrt{3} = a + b\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{So, } a = 11$$

and

$$-6\sqrt{3} = b\sqrt{3}; b = -6$$

Answer.5. Given, $\sqrt{3} = 1.732$, $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$, $\sqrt{6} = 2.449$ and $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$

$$\text{i) } \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}^2-\sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{6-5} = \frac{2.449-2.236}{1} = 0.213$$

$$\text{ii) } \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{6(\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3})}{\sqrt{5}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{6(\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3})}{5-3} = \frac{6(\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3})}{2} = 3(2.236 - 1.732) = 3 \times 0.504 = 1.512$$

$$\text{iii) } \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{4\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{5}}{4\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{4\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{5}}{(4\sqrt{3})^2-(3\sqrt{5})^2} = \frac{4 \times 1.732 + 3 \times 2.236}{16 \times 3 - 9 \times 5} = \frac{6.928 + 6.708}{48 - 45} = \frac{13.636}{3} = 4.545$$

$$\text{iv) } \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{(3+\sqrt{5})^2}{(3+\sqrt{5})^2} = \frac{3^2+\sqrt{5}^2+2(3 \times \sqrt{5})}{9-5} = \frac{9+5+6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{14+6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{14+6 \times 2.236}{4} = \frac{14+13.416}{4} = \frac{27.416}{4} = 6.854$$

$$\text{v) } \frac{1+2\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1+2\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{(1+2\sqrt{3})(2+\sqrt{3})}{2^2-\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{1 \times 2 + 1 \times \sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} \times 2 + 2\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}}{4-3} = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}+4\sqrt{3}+2 \times \sqrt{3}^2}{1} = 2 + 5\sqrt{3} + 6 = 8 + 5 \times 1.732 = 8 + 8.66 = 16.66$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vi)} \quad \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} &= \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2})^2}{\sqrt{5}^2-\sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}^2+\sqrt{2}^2+2(\sqrt{5}\times\sqrt{2})}{5-2} = \frac{5+2+2\sqrt{10}}{3} = \frac{7+2\sqrt{10}}{3} = \\ &= \frac{7+2\times 3.162}{3} = \frac{13.324}{3} = 4.441 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.6.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i)} \quad \frac{7\sqrt{3}-5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{48}+\sqrt{18}} &= \frac{7\sqrt{3}-5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{16}\times\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{9}\times\sqrt{2}} = \frac{7\sqrt{3}-5\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{4\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{2}} = \\ &= \frac{7\sqrt{3} \times 4\sqrt{3} + 7\sqrt{3} \times -3\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{2} \times 4\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{2} \times -3\sqrt{2}}{(4\sqrt{3})^2 - (3\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{28 \times 3 - 21\sqrt{6} - 20\sqrt{6} - 15 \times 2}{16 \times 3 - 9 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{84 - 41\sqrt{6} + 30}{48 - 18} = \frac{114 - 41\sqrt{6}}{30} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii)} \quad \frac{2\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{3\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{6}} &= \frac{2\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{3\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{3\sqrt{5}+2\sqrt{6}}{3\sqrt{5}+2\sqrt{6}} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}\times 3\sqrt{5}+2\sqrt{6}\times 2\sqrt{6}+(-\sqrt{5})\times 3\sqrt{5}+(-\sqrt{5})\times 2\sqrt{6}}{(3\sqrt{5})^2-(2\sqrt{6})^2} = \\ &= \frac{6\sqrt{30}+(2\sqrt{6})^2-3\times\sqrt{5}^2-2\sqrt{30}}{9\times 5-4\times 6} = \frac{4\sqrt{30}+4\times 6-3\times 5}{45-24} = \frac{4\sqrt{30}+24-15}{21} = \frac{4\sqrt{30}+9}{21} \end{aligned}$$

Answer.7.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i)} \quad \frac{4+\sqrt{5}}{4-\sqrt{5}} + \frac{4-\sqrt{5}}{4+\sqrt{5}} &= \frac{4+\sqrt{5}}{4-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{4+\sqrt{5}}{4+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{4-\sqrt{5}}{4+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{4-\sqrt{5}}{4-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{(4+\sqrt{5})^2}{4^2-\sqrt{5}^2} + \frac{(4-\sqrt{5})^2}{4^2-\sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{4^2+\sqrt{5}^2+2(4\times\sqrt{5})}{16-5} + \\ &= \frac{4^2+\sqrt{5}^2-2(4\times\sqrt{5})}{16-5} = \frac{16+5+8\sqrt{11}}{11} + \frac{16+5-8\sqrt{11}}{11} = \frac{21+8\sqrt{11}+21-8\sqrt{11}}{11} = \frac{42}{11} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ii)} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}^2-\sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{3-2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{1} = \sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3})}{\sqrt{5}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3})}{5-3} = \frac{2(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3})}{2} = \sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5})}{\sqrt{2}^2-\sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{3(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5})}{2-5} = \frac{3(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5})}{-3} = -\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5}$$

Equate to question

$$= \sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}-(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5} = 0$$

$$\text{iii)} \quad \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \\
&= \frac{(2+\sqrt{3})^2}{2^2-\sqrt{3}^2} + \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})^2}{2^2-\sqrt{3}^2} + \frac{(\sqrt{3}-1)^2}{\sqrt{3}^2-1^2} \\
&= \frac{2^2+\sqrt{3}^2+2(2 \times \sqrt{3})}{4-3} + \frac{2^2+\sqrt{3}^2-2(2 \times \sqrt{3})}{4-3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}^2+1^2-2(\sqrt{3} \times 1)}{3-1} \\
&= \frac{4+3+4\sqrt{3}}{1} + \frac{4+3-4\sqrt{3}}{1} + \frac{3+1-2\sqrt{3}}{2} \\
&= \frac{7+4\sqrt{3}}{1} + \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{1} + \frac{2(2-\sqrt{3})}{2} = 7 + 4\sqrt{3} + 7 - 4\sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3} = 16 - \sqrt{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{iv)} \quad & \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}} - \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2}} \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}} - \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}} \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{12}-2\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{2}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} + \frac{6\sqrt{12}-6\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} - \frac{8\sqrt{18}-8\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}^2-\sqrt{2}^2} \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{12}-2\sqrt{18}}{2-3} + \frac{6\sqrt{12}-6\sqrt{6}}{6-3} - \frac{8\sqrt{18}-8\sqrt{6}}{6-2} \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{12}-2\sqrt{18}}{-1} + \frac{6\sqrt{12}-6\sqrt{6}}{3} - \frac{8\sqrt{18}-8\sqrt{6}}{4} \\
&= \frac{-2\sqrt{12}+2\sqrt{18}}{1} + \frac{3(2\sqrt{12}-2\sqrt{6})}{3} - \frac{4(2\sqrt{18}-2\sqrt{6})}{4} = 2\sqrt{18} - 2\sqrt{12} + 2\sqrt{12} - 2\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{18} + 2\sqrt{6} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Answer.8.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{i)} \quad & \frac{1}{3+\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} = 1 \\
& \text{LHS,} \\
&= \frac{1}{3+\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{3-\sqrt{7}}{3-\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \\
&= \frac{3-\sqrt{7}}{3^2-\sqrt{7}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{7}^2-\sqrt{5}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}^2-1^2} \\
&= \frac{3-\sqrt{7}}{9-7} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}}{7-5} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{5-3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{3-1} \\
&= \frac{3-\sqrt{7}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} = \frac{3-\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{3}-1}{2} \\
&= \frac{3-1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

As LHS=RHS, hence Proved

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{ii)} \quad & \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{4}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{8}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{9}} = 2 \\
& \text{LHS}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{1-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{4}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{8}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{9}} \times \frac{\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}} \\
&= \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{1^2-\sqrt{2}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}^2-\sqrt{3}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{3}^2-\sqrt{4}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{4}^2-\sqrt{5}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{5}^2-\sqrt{6}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{6}^2-\sqrt{7}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{7}^2-\sqrt{8}^2} + \frac{\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{8}^2-\sqrt{9}^2} \\
&= \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{1-2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{2-3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}}{3-4} + \frac{\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}}{4-5} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}}{5-6} + \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}}{6-7} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}}{7-8} + \frac{\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}}{8-9} \\
&= \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}}{-1} + \frac{\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}}{-1} \\
&= \frac{1-\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{8}-\sqrt{9}}{-1} = \frac{1-3}{-1} = \frac{-2}{-1} = 2
\end{aligned}$$

As LHS=RHS, hence Proved

Answer.9.

$$\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} - \frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} = a + b\sqrt{5}$$

Solve LHS

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} - \frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} \\
&= \frac{7 \times 3 + 7 \times (-\sqrt{5}) + 3\sqrt{5} \times 3 + 3\sqrt{5} \times (-\sqrt{5})}{3^2 - \sqrt{5}^2} \\
&\quad - \frac{7 \times 3 + 7 \times \sqrt{5} + (-3\sqrt{5}) \times 3 + (-3\sqrt{5}) \times \sqrt{5}}{3^2 - \sqrt{5}^2} \\
&= \frac{21 - 7\sqrt{5} + 9\sqrt{5} - 3 \times \sqrt{5}^2}{9 - 5} - \frac{21 + 7\sqrt{5} - 9\sqrt{5} - 3 \times \sqrt{5}^2}{9 - 5} \\
&= \frac{21 + 2\sqrt{5} - 3 \times 5}{4} - \frac{21 - 2\sqrt{5} - 3 \times 5}{4} = \frac{21 + 2\sqrt{5} - 15 - 21 + 2\sqrt{5} + 15}{4} \\
&= \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Equate LHS to RHS

$$\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{4} = a + b\sqrt{5} \therefore a = 0; \quad b\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{5}, b = 1$$

Answer.10.

$$\frac{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}} + \frac{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}} = \frac{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}} \times \frac{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}} + \frac{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}} \times \frac{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(\sqrt{13} - \sqrt{11})^2}{\sqrt{13}^2 - \sqrt{11}^2} + \frac{(\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{11})^2}{\sqrt{13}^2 - \sqrt{11}^2} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{13}^2 + \sqrt{11}^2 - 2(\sqrt{13} \times \sqrt{11})}{13 - 11} + \frac{\sqrt{13}^2 + \sqrt{11}^2 + 2(\sqrt{13} \times \sqrt{11})}{13 - 11} \\
&= \frac{13 + 11 - 2\sqrt{143}}{2} + \frac{13 + 11 + 2\sqrt{143}}{2} = \frac{24 - 2\sqrt{143} + 24 + 2\sqrt{143}}{2} = \frac{48}{2} = 24
\end{aligned}$$

Answer.11. Given $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$

Put x value in $x + \frac{1}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
x + \frac{1}{x} &= 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{3 - 2\sqrt{2}} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{3^2 - 2\sqrt{2}^2} \\
3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{9 - 4 \times 2} &= 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{9 - 8} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{1} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + 3 - 2\sqrt{2} = 3 + 3 \\
&= 6
\end{aligned}$$

It is Rational number.

Answer.12. Given $x = 2 - \sqrt{3}$

Put x value in $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3$

$$(a - b)^3 = a^3 - b^3 - 3ab(a - b)$$

$$\text{Here } a/x = 2 - \sqrt{3} \text{ and } b/\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \left(\frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2 + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2^2 - \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{1}\right) = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 &= (2 - \sqrt{3} - 2 - \sqrt{3})^3 = (-2\sqrt{3})^3 = -8 \times \sqrt{27} = -8 \times \sqrt{9} \times \sqrt{3} \\
&= -8 \times 3 \times \sqrt{3} = -24\sqrt{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Answer.13. Given $x = 9 - 4\sqrt{5}$

$$\text{Put } x \text{ value in } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 2\left(x \times \frac{1}{x}\right) = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 2 \dots (i)$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{9 - 4\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}{9 + 4\sqrt{5}} = \frac{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}{9^2 - (4\sqrt{5})^2} = \frac{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}{81 - 16 \times \sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}{81 - 80} = \frac{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}{1} = 9 + 4\sqrt{5}$$

Put in equation (i)

$$(9 - 4\sqrt{5} + 9 + 4\sqrt{5})^2 - 2 = 18^2 - 2 = 324 - 2 = 322$$

Answer.14. Given $x = \frac{5-\sqrt{21}}{2}$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\frac{5-\sqrt{21}}{2}} = \frac{2}{5-\sqrt{21}} = \frac{2}{5-\sqrt{21}} \times \frac{5+\sqrt{21}}{5+\sqrt{21}} = \frac{2(5+\sqrt{21})}{5^2 - \sqrt{21}^2} = \frac{2(5+\sqrt{21})}{25-21} = \frac{2(5+\sqrt{21})}{4}$$
$$= \frac{(5+\sqrt{21})}{2}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5-\sqrt{21}}{2} + \frac{5+\sqrt{21}}{2} = \frac{5-\sqrt{21}+\sqrt{21}+5}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

Answer.15. Given $a = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$

$$a^2 = (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^2 = 3^2 + (2\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(3 \times 2\sqrt{2}) = 9 + 4 \times 2 - 12\sqrt{2} = 17 - 12\sqrt{2}$$
$$\frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{(3 - 2\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{1}{3^2 + (2\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(3 \times 2\sqrt{2})} = \frac{1}{9 + 4 \times 2 - 12\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{9 + 8 - 12\sqrt{2}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{17 - 12\sqrt{2}}$$

Rationalise

$$\frac{1}{17 - 12\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{17 + 12\sqrt{2}}{17 + 12\sqrt{2}} = \frac{17 + 12\sqrt{2}}{17^2 - (12\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{17 + 12\sqrt{2}}{289 - 144 \times 2} = \frac{17 + 12\sqrt{2}}{289 - 288} = \frac{17 + 12\sqrt{2}}{1}$$
$$= 17 + 12\sqrt{2}$$

$$a^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} = 17 - 12\sqrt{2} - (17 + 12\sqrt{2}) = 17 - 12\sqrt{2} - 17 - 12\sqrt{2} = -24\sqrt{2}$$

Answer.16. Given $x = \sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3}$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{13}^2 - (2\sqrt{3})^2} = \frac{13 - 2\sqrt{3}}{13 - 4 \times 3} = \frac{13 - 2\sqrt{3}}{13 - 12} = 13 - 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3} - (\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

Answer.17. Given $x = 2 + \sqrt{3}$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2^2 - \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} &= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 - 3\left(x \times \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 - 3(1)\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
 &= (2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3})^3 - 3(2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3}) \\
 &= (4)^3 - 3(4) = 64 - 12 = 52
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.18. Given $x = \frac{5-\sqrt{3}}{5+\sqrt{3}}$ and $y = \frac{5+\sqrt{3}}{5-\sqrt{3}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \frac{5-\sqrt{3}}{5+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{5-\sqrt{3}}{5-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{(5-\sqrt{3})^2}{5^2 - \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{5^2 + \sqrt{3}^2 - 2(5 \times \sqrt{3})}{25 - 3} = \frac{25 + 3 - 10\sqrt{3}}{22} = \frac{28 - 10\sqrt{3}}{22} \\
 &= \frac{2(14 - 5\sqrt{3})}{22} = \frac{14 - 5\sqrt{3}}{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{5+\sqrt{3}}{5-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{5+\sqrt{3}}{5+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{(5+\sqrt{3})^2}{5^2 - \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{5^2 + \sqrt{3}^2 + 2(5 \times \sqrt{3})}{25 - 3} = \frac{25 + 3 + 10\sqrt{3}}{22} = \frac{28 + 10\sqrt{3}}{22} \\
 &= \frac{2(14 + 5\sqrt{3})}{22} = \frac{14 + 5\sqrt{3}}{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x - y = \frac{14 - 5\sqrt{3}}{11} - \frac{14 + 5\sqrt{3}}{11} = \frac{14 - 5\sqrt{3} - 14 - 5\sqrt{3}}{11} = \frac{-10\sqrt{3}}{11}$$

Answer.19. Given $a = \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}$ and $b = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}$

Equation $3a^2 + 4ab - 3b^2$

$$3\left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}\right) - 3\left(\frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}\right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3\left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}\right)^2\right) + 4 &= 3\left(\frac{(7 + 2\sqrt{10})^2 - (7 - 2\sqrt{10})^2}{7^2 - (2\sqrt{10})^2}\right) + 4 \\
 &= 3\left(\frac{49 + 40 + 28\sqrt{10} - (49 + 40 - 28\sqrt{10})}{49 - 40}\right) + 4 \\
 &= 3\left(\frac{49 + 40 + 28\sqrt{10} - 49 - 40 + 28\sqrt{10}}{9}\right) + 4 = 3\left(\frac{56\sqrt{10}}{9}\right) + 4 \\
 &= \frac{56\sqrt{10}}{3} + 4
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.20.

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}, b = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$$

Rationalise

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})^2}{\sqrt{3}^2 - \sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}^2 + \sqrt{2}^2 - 2(\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2})}{3-2} = \frac{3+2-2\sqrt{6}}{1} = 5-2\sqrt{6}$$

$$b = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})^2}{\sqrt{3}^2 - \sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}^2 + \sqrt{2}^2 + 2(\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2})}{3-2} = \frac{3+2+2\sqrt{6}}{1} = 5+2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 - 5ab &= (5-2\sqrt{6})^2 + (5+2\sqrt{6})^2 - 5[(5-2\sqrt{6})(5+2\sqrt{6})] \\ &= 5^2 + (2\sqrt{6})^2 - 2(5 \times 2\sqrt{6}) + 5^2 + (2\sqrt{6})^2 + 2(5 \times 2\sqrt{6}) - 5(5^2 - (2\sqrt{6})^2) \\ &= 25 + 4 \times 6 - 20\sqrt{6} + 25 + 4 \times 6 + 20\sqrt{6} - 5(25 - 4 \times 6) \\ &= 25 + 24 - 20\sqrt{6} + 25 + 24 - 20\sqrt{6} - 5(25 - 24) \\ &= 50 + 48 - 5 = 98 - 5 = 93 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.21 $p = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}}, q = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}}$

Rationalise

$$p = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{(3-\sqrt{5})^2}{3^2 - \sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{3^2 + \sqrt{5}^2 - 2(3 \times \sqrt{5})}{9-5} = \frac{9+5-6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{14-6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$q = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} = \frac{(3+\sqrt{5})^2}{3^2 - \sqrt{5}^2} = \frac{3^2 + \sqrt{5}^2 + 2(3 \times \sqrt{5})}{9-5} = \frac{9+5+6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{14+6\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$p \cdot q = \frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{2} \times \frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2} = \frac{7^2 - (3\sqrt{5})^2}{4} = \frac{49-45}{4} = \frac{4}{4} = 1$$

$$p^2 + q^2 = (p+q)^2 - 2 \cdot p \cdot q$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^2 - 2 \times 1 = \left(\frac{7-3\sqrt{5}+7+3\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^2 - 2 = \left(\frac{14}{2} \right)^2 - 2 = 7^2 - 2 = 49 - 2 \\ &= 47 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.22.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{i)} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{13}} &= \frac{1}{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})-\sqrt{13}} \times \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}} = \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})^2-\sqrt{13}^2} = \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{(\sqrt{7}^2+\sqrt{6}^2+2(\sqrt{7}\times\sqrt{6}))-13} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{(7+6+2\sqrt{42})-13} = \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{13+2\sqrt{42}-13} = \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{2\sqrt{42}} = \frac{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6})+\sqrt{13}}{2\sqrt{42}} \times \frac{\sqrt{42}}{\sqrt{42}} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{7} \times \sqrt{42} + \sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{42} + \sqrt{13} \times \sqrt{42}}{2 \times \sqrt{42}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{294} + \sqrt{252} + \sqrt{546}}{2 \times 42} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{49 \times 6} + \sqrt{36 \times 7} + \sqrt{49 \times 7}}{84} = \frac{7\sqrt{6} + 6\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{546}}{84}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ii)} \quad \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} &= \frac{3}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2}}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3((\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})^2-\sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{3((\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}^2+\sqrt{5}^2+2(\sqrt{3}\times\sqrt{5}))-2} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{3((\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2})}{6+2\sqrt{3}\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2}}{3+\sqrt{3}\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5})+\sqrt{2}}{3+\sqrt{15}} \times \frac{3-\sqrt{15}}{3-\sqrt{15}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2})(3-\sqrt{15})}{9-15} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2})(3-\sqrt{15})}{-6} = -\frac{1}{4}(3\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{5}+3\sqrt{2}-3\sqrt{5}-5\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{30}) \\
 &\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4}(-2\sqrt{3}+3\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{30}) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{30}}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{iii)} \quad \frac{4}{2+\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{7}} &= \frac{4}{(2+\sqrt{3})+\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{(2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7}}{(2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7}} = \frac{4((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{(2+\sqrt{3})^2-\sqrt{7}^2} = \frac{4((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{(2^2+\sqrt{3}^2+2(2\times\sqrt{3}))-7} = \frac{4((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{(4+3+4\sqrt{3})-7} \\
 &= \frac{4((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{7+4\sqrt{3}-7} = \frac{4((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{((2+\sqrt{3})-\sqrt{7})}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{2 \times \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}^2 - \sqrt{7} \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}+3-\sqrt{21}}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.23. Given $\sqrt{2} = 1.414$ and $\sqrt{6} = 2.449$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}-1} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}-(\sqrt{2}-1)} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+(\sqrt{2}-1)}{\sqrt{3}+(\sqrt{2}-1)} = \frac{\sqrt{3}+(\sqrt{2}-1)}{\sqrt{3}^2-(\sqrt{2}^2+1^2-2\cdot\sqrt{2}\cdot 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{3}+(\sqrt{2}-1)}{3-(2+1-2\sqrt{2})} = \frac{\sqrt{3}+(\sqrt{2}-1)}{3-3+2\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{3} + (\sqrt{2} - 1)}{2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2}} &= \frac{2(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}^2 - \sqrt{2})}{4 \times \sqrt{2}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + 2 - \sqrt{2}}{2 \times 2} = \frac{\sqrt{6} + 2 - \sqrt{2}}{4} \\ &= \frac{2.449 + 2 - 1.414}{4} = \frac{3.035}{4} = 0.758 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.24. Given $x = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}}$

Rationalise

$$x = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2^2 - \sqrt{3}^2} = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{4-3} = 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5 &= (2+\sqrt{3})^3 - 2(2+\sqrt{3})^2 - 7(2+\sqrt{3}) + 5 \\ &= 2^3 + \sqrt{3}^3 + 3[(2 \times \sqrt{3})(2+\sqrt{3})] - 2(2^2 + \sqrt{3}^2 + 2(2 \times \sqrt{3})) - 14 - 7\sqrt{3} + 5 \\ &= 8 + 3\sqrt{3} + 6\sqrt{3}(2+\sqrt{3}) - 2(4 + 3 + 4\sqrt{3}) - 9 - 7\sqrt{3} \\ &= 8 + 3\sqrt{3} + 12\sqrt{3} + 6\sqrt{3}^2 - 2(7 + 4\sqrt{3}) - 9 - 7\sqrt{3} \\ &= 8 + 15\sqrt{3} + 18 - 14 - 8\sqrt{3} - 9 - 7\sqrt{3} = 26 - 14 - 9 + 15\sqrt{3} - 15\sqrt{3} = 26 - 23 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Answer.25. Given $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$ and $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}} &= \frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{4} + \sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{16} \times \sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{15}{3(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5}} = \frac{5}{3.162 - 2.236} = \frac{5}{0.926} = 5.399(\text{approx.}) \end{aligned}$$