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Answers

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$$\frac{\cancel{2}(x-2)}{\cancel{2}(x-2)} \cdot \frac{4}{(x+2)(2x-5)} - \frac{9}{2(x+2)(x-2)} \cdot \frac{2x-5}{2x-5}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{-2} \\ \cancel{-5} \\ -1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} x+2 \\ \cancel{2x} \quad \cancel{4x} \\ \cancel{-5x} \quad \cancel{-10} \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{8x-16}{2(x+2)(x-2)(2x-5)} - \frac{18x-45}{2(x+2)(x-2)(2x-5)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-10x+29}{2(x+2)(x-2)(2x-5)}}$$

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$$\frac{2x(x^2+4x-21)}{2x(x+7)(x-3)} + \frac{4x^2(x^2-6x+9)}{4x^2(x-3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2x(x-3)}{2x(x+7)(x-3)} \cdot \frac{6}{(x+7)(x-3)} + \frac{5x}{4x^2(x-3)^2} \cdot \frac{x+7}{x+7}$$

$$= \frac{12x^2 - 36x}{4x^2(x-3)^2(x+7)} + \frac{5x^2 + 35x}{4x^2(x-3)^2(x+7)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{17x^2 - x}{4x^2(x-3)^2(x+7)}}$$