

3.4 Rational Equations

1. 1
2. -1
3. $5, \frac{-2}{3}$
4. -2
5. 2
6. Let x be the hours for Sally to mow the lawn.
 $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3}; x = 12; 12 \text{ hours}$
7. Let x be the rate of the hiker, so the rate of the biker is $x+7$.
 $\frac{20}{x+7} = \frac{6}{x}; x = 3; \text{The biker goes } 3+7=10\text{mph.}$