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 Quiz # 1R

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1. Solve for x: (a) $x + \frac{9}{x} > 6$ (b) $|2x - 1| \leq |x + 1|$. [4]

2. Find the coordinates of the vertex of the parabola $y = 2x^2 - 8x + 1$. [3]

3. Simplify and find all x for which the expressions are defined $\frac{1 + \frac{2x}{x+1}}{x - \frac{3}{x+2}}$. [3]

Solution For 1a)

for $x \neq 0$ $x + \frac{9}{x} - 6 > 0 \rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 9 - 6x}{x} > 0 \rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 6x + 9}{x} > 0$
 discriminant of the top is $D = 0$ so double root and the top is always positive or 0
 $\frac{(x-3)^2}{x} > 0$ thus the bottom must be positive, too $\rightarrow x > 0, x \neq 3$

Or using the split points $x = 0, 3$
 testing $\begin{matrix} neg \\ x=-1 \end{matrix} - -0 - \begin{matrix} pos \\ x=0 \end{matrix} -3 - \begin{matrix} pos \\ x=4 \end{matrix} -$
 check the split points $x = 0, 3$ Not included, so $x \in (0, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$.

For 1b)
 always $|\dots| \geq 0$ so both sides positive or 0 we can square
 $|2x - 1|^2 \leq |x + 1|^2 \rightarrow 4x^2 - 4x + 1 \leq x^2 + 2x + 1 \rightarrow 3x^2 - 6x \leq 0$
 $3x(x - 2) \leq 0$ parabola open up, negative between roots
 OR using the split points $x = 0, 2$
 testing $\begin{matrix} pos \\ x=-1 \end{matrix} - -0 - \begin{matrix} neg \\ x=1 \end{matrix} -2 - \begin{matrix} pos \\ x=3 \end{matrix} - -$
 check the split points $x = 0, 2$ incl.;so $x \in [0, 2]$.

For 2) complete the square
 $y = 2x^2 - 8x + 1 \rightarrow y = 2(x^2 - 4x) + 1 \rightarrow y + 8 = 2(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 1 = 2(x - 2)^2 + 1$
 so $y = 2(x - 2)^2 - 7$ and $V(2, -7)$

For 3)
 for $x \neq -2, -1$ using $\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{d}} = \frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{d}{c} = \frac{ad}{bc}$
 $\frac{1 + \frac{2x}{x+1}}{x - \frac{3}{x+2}} = \frac{\frac{x+1+2x}{x+1}}{\frac{x^2+2x-3}{x+2}} = \frac{\frac{3x+1}{x+1}}{\frac{x^2+2x-3}{x+2}} = \frac{(3x+1)(x+2)}{(x^2+2x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{(3x+1)(x+2)}{(x+3)(x-1)(x+1)}$
 for $x \neq -3, -2, -1, 1$.