

## 11.2: Verifying Trigonometric Identities Practice

Verify each identity. Show all work.

$$1. \frac{\csc^2 x - 1}{\csc^2 x} = \cos^2 x$$

$$\frac{\cot^2 x}{\csc^2 x} = \frac{\frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x}}{\frac{1}{\sin^2 x}} = \cos^2 x \quad \square$$

$$2. 2 \csc x = \frac{1}{\csc x + \cot x} + \frac{1}{\csc x - \cot x}$$

$$3. \frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x} = \csc x + \cot x$$

conjugate

$$\frac{(\sin x)}{(1 - \cos x)} \cdot \frac{(1 + \cos x)}{(1 + \cos x)} = \frac{\sin x (1 + \cos x)}{\underbrace{1 - \cos^2 x}_{= \sin^2 x}} = \frac{\cancel{\sin x} (1 + \cos x)}{\cancel{\sin^2 x}}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{1}{\sin x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\csc x + \cot x \quad \square$$

$$4. \frac{\sin x}{\sec x - 1} = \cos x \cot x + \cot x$$

conjugate

$$5. \boxed{\cos x \sec^2 x \tan x - \cos x \tan^3 x} = \sin x$$
$$\cos x \tan x \left[ \underbrace{\sec^2 x - \tan^2 x}_{=1} \right]$$

$$\cos x \tan x$$

$$\cancel{\cos x} \left[ \frac{\sin x}{\cancel{\cos x}} \right] = \sin x$$

$$6. \frac{\cos x}{1 - \sin x} - \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x} = 2 \tan x$$

$$7. \frac{\sin^4 x - \cos^4 x}{\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x} = 1$$

$$\frac{(\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x)(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)}{\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x}$$

$$8. \tan^2 x = \csc^2 x \tan^2 x - 1$$

Verify that the equation is *not* an identity by finding an  $x$  value for which the left side of the equation is not equal to the right side.

$$9. (\sin x + \cos x)^2 = \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x$$

$$10. \cos(x + 30^\circ) = \cos x + \cos 30^\circ$$