

1. $(x-1)^2 + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} - 2$ 를 인수분해하면?

① $\frac{x^2(x-2)}{(x-1)^2}$

② $\frac{x(x-2)^2}{(x-1)^2}$

③ $\frac{x^2(x-2)^2}{(x-1)}$

④ $\frac{(x-2)^2}{(x-1)^2}$

⑤ $\frac{x^2(x-2)^2}{(x-1)^2}$

해설

$x-1=a$ 로 치환하면

$$(x-1)^2 + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} - 2$$

$$= a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - 2 = \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{a^2-1}{a}\right)^2$$

$$= \left\{\frac{(a+1)(a-1)}{a}\right\}^2$$

$$= \frac{x^2(x-2)^2}{(x-1)^2}$$

2. $a + b = 5$, $ab = -10$ 일 때, $(a - b)^2$ 의 값은?

① -5

② 5

③ -65

④ 65

⑤ 45

해설

$$\begin{aligned}(a - b)^2 &= (a + b)^2 - 4ab \\ &= 5^2 - 4 \times (-10) \\ &= 25 + 40 \\ &= 65\end{aligned}$$