Name: Result:

1.

(2 points)

Write the following expression as  $2^a$  where  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

$$\frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot (\frac{1}{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{32})^2}{\sqrt[4]{8} \cdot (\frac{1}{16})^{-2}}$$

**2.** (8 points)

Solve the following equations. Write your answers in the simplest form.

(a) 
$$\frac{x+2}{5} - \frac{2x-1}{3} = x$$

(b) 
$$\frac{3x-1}{2} - \frac{x+1}{6} = \frac{4x+1}{3}$$

(c) 
$$(x+3)^2 - (2x-1)^2 = 3(2-x)(2+x)$$

(d) 
$$(3x-2)^2 - (2x-5)(2x+5) = 5(x+1)^2$$