To solve equations with fractions... GET RID OF THEM!!

... by multiplying by the Lowest Common Denominator (LCD)

Example 1: Solve the following:

a)
$$\frac{w-1}{4} = \frac{w+2}{3}$$

$$\frac{5-2a}{4} = \frac{6-a}{5}$$

c)
$$\frac{3x}{4} + \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Example 2: Solve and check

$$\frac{2}{3}(3d+5) = \frac{3}{4}(2d+4)$$

CHECK

Left Side Right Side

** NOTE you will need the following formulas for the word problems

Area of a Trapezoid =
$$\frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$$

Area of a Triangle =
$$\frac{1}{2}bh$$