

Answer 5

5. For all $x > 2$, $(2x^2 + 2x - 12) / (x - 2)$ simplifies to
- A) $2(x - 2)$
 - B) $x + 3$
 - C) $2(x + 3)(x - 2)$
 - D) $x - 2$
 - E) $2(x + 3)$

First, note that the numerator can be simplified by factoring out a '2'

$$\frac{2(x^2 + x - 6)}{(x - 2)}$$

Then, factor the quadratic into $(x + 3)(x - 2)$

$$\frac{2(x + 3)(x - 2)}{(x - 2)}$$

At this point, the $(x-2)$ cancels from the numerator and denominator leaving $2(x+3)$.