Reasoning with Equation and Inequalities - Worksheet 1 Answer Key

Solve the following equations:

1.
$$3x + x^2 - 1 = 4x^2 - 4$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}.$$

6.
$$2x + 3 = -\frac{1}{2}x + 1$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{5}$$
.

2.
$$\frac{1}{x} = 2x + 5$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{33}}{4}.$$

7.
$$2x + 4 = 3 + 2x - 1$$

No solution.

3.
$$x^4 + 5x^2 - 6 = 0$$

x = -1, 1, and $\pm \sqrt{-6}$, which are imaginary roots.

8.
$$x^3 + x^2 = 4x + 4$$

$$x = -2, -1, \text{ and } 2.$$

4.
$$3x + 5 = 4x - 10$$

$$x = 15.$$

9.
$$x^3 + 4x^2 - 15x = 10x^2 - 21x$$
.

$$x = 0, 3.$$

5.
$$x^2 + 3x - 17 = 1$$

$$x = -6$$
 and 3.

10.
$$\sqrt{x+1} = \sqrt{x-2} + 1$$

$$x = 3$$
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