Find the Restrictions on the Domain

We need to restrict the domain to exclude values for x that make any denominator equal to zero. Look at the following expression:

$$\frac{x^2 + 2x - 8}{x^2 + 3x - 10} \cdot \frac{3x + 15}{x + 3}$$

For the second fraction, we see that the denominator ix (x + 3). This denominator will equal zero when x = -3, so we need to exclude x = -3.

For the first fraction, we see that the denominator is $x^2 + 3x - 10$. We can factor it as (x+5)(x-2). The denominator will equal zero for two cases, when x = -5 or when x = 2. So we need to exclude these two values as well.

The three restrictions are: x = -5, x = -3, and x = 2.