

Use properties of logarithms to write the expression as a single logarithm.

$$f(x) = 3 \ln(x+4) - 2 \ln(x-3) + 5 \ln(x-1)$$

- Remember the laws of logarithms:

$$\log ab = \log a + \log b$$

$$\log \frac{a}{b} = \log a - \log b$$

$$\log a^b = b \log a$$

- So $f(x) = 3 \ln(x+4) - 2 \ln(x-3) + 5 \ln(x-1) = \ln(x+4)^3 - \ln(x-3)^2 + \ln(x-1)^5$

$$= \ln \frac{(x+4)^3}{(x-3)^2} + \ln(x-1)^5$$

$$= \ln \frac{(x+4)^3 (x-1)^5}{(x-3)^2}$$