<u>Step 1</u>: Multiply the first two terms, the outer two terms, the inner two terms, and the last two terms. <u>Step 2</u>: Multiply the numbers outside the radicals, then multiply the numbers inside the radicals of each term. Simplify, if possible.

When rationalizing the denominator of a fraction, multiply the numerator and denominator by the conjugate of the denominator.

## **Example 4:** Rationalize.



<u>Step 1</u>: Multiply the numerator and denominator by the conjugate of the denominator.

<u>Step 2</u>: Begin to simplify the numerator by multiplying radical 5 and 2 by 5. Begin to simplify the denominator by multiplying the binomials.

<u>Step 3</u>: Complete all multiplications, then add all like terms.

<u>Step 4</u>: Complete the simplification of the denominator by subtracting 4 from 5.

<u>Step 5</u>: Divide both terms in the numerator by the number in the denominator.

Answer:  $5\sqrt{5}+10$