The domain is all values that x is allowed to be. Since I can't divide by zero (division by zero isn't allowed,

I need to find all values of x that would cause division by zero.

The domain will then be all other x-values.

When is this denominator equal to zero? $x^2 - 1 = 0$

 $x=\pm 1$ then the domain of q is $\{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ or } -1\}$