

EXERCISE 2.3

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1. Find the reciprocal of each of the following fractions and classify them as proper, improper and whole numbers:

(i) $\frac{3}{7}$

(ii) $\frac{5}{8}$

(iii) $\frac{9}{7}$

(iv) $\frac{6}{5}$

(v) $\frac{12}{7}$

(vi) $\frac{1}{8}$

Solution:

(i) Given $\frac{3}{7}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{3}{7}$ is $\frac{7}{3}$

$\frac{7}{3}$ is improper fraction

(ii) Given $\frac{5}{8}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{5}{8}$ is $\frac{8}{5}$

It is improper fraction

(iii) Given $\frac{9}{7}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{9}{7}$ is $\frac{7}{9}$

It is proper fraction

(iv) Given $\frac{6}{5}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{6}{5}$ is $\frac{5}{6}$

It is proper fraction

(v) Given $\frac{12}{7}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{12}{7}$ is $\frac{7}{12}$

It is proper fraction

(vi) Given $\frac{1}{8}$

Reciprocal of $\frac{1}{8}$ is $\frac{8}{1} = 8$

It is whole number

2. Divide:



(i) $\frac{3}{8}$ by $\frac{5}{9}$

(ii) $3\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{2}{3}$

(iii) $\frac{7}{8}$ by $4\frac{1}{2}$

(iv) $6\frac{1}{4}$ by $2\frac{3}{5}$

Solution:

(i) Given $\frac{3}{8}$ by $\frac{5}{9}$

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3}{8} \div \frac{5}{9} &= \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{9}{5} \\ &= \frac{3 \times 9}{8 \times 5} \\ &= \frac{27}{40}\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Given $3\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{2}{3}$

Converting $3\frac{1}{4}$ to improper fraction we get $\frac{13}{4}$

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{13}{4} \div \frac{2}{3} &= \frac{13}{4} \times \frac{3}{2} \\ &= \frac{13 \times 3}{4 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{39}{8} \\ &= 4\frac{7}{8}\end{aligned}$$

(iii) Given $\frac{7}{8}$ by $4\frac{1}{2}$

Converting $4\frac{1}{2}$ to improper fraction we get $\frac{9}{2}$

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{7}{8} \div \frac{9}{2} &= \frac{7}{8} \times \frac{2}{9} \\ &= \frac{7 \times 2}{8 \times 9} \\ &= \frac{14}{72} \\ &= \frac{7}{36}\end{aligned}$$

(iv) Given $6\frac{1}{4}$ by $2\frac{3}{5}$

Converting $6\frac{1}{4}$ and $2\frac{3}{5}$ to improper fraction we get $\frac{25}{4}$ and $\frac{13}{5}$

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{25}{4} \div \frac{13}{5} &= \frac{25}{4} \times \frac{5}{13} \\ &= \frac{25 \times 5}{4 \times 13} \\ &= \frac{125}{52}\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \frac{21}{52}$$

3. Divide:

(i) $(\frac{3}{8})$ by 4

(ii) $(\frac{9}{16})$ by 6

(iii) 9 by $(\frac{3}{16})$

(iv) 10 by $(\frac{100}{3})$

Solution:

(i) Given $(\frac{3}{8})$ by 4

$$= (\frac{3}{8})/4$$

$$= (\frac{3}{8} \times 4)$$

$$= (\frac{3}{32})$$

(ii) Given $(\frac{9}{16})$ by 6

$$= (\frac{9}{16})/6$$

$$= (\frac{9}{16 \times 6})$$

$$= (\frac{9}{96})$$

$$= (\frac{3}{32})$$

(iii) Given 9 by $(\frac{3}{16})$

$$= 9 / (\frac{3}{16})$$

$$= (9 \times 16)/3$$

$$= 16 \times 3$$

$$= 48$$

(iv) Given 10 by $(\frac{100}{3})$

$$= 10 / (\frac{100}{3})$$

$$= (10 \times 3)/100$$

$$= (\frac{3}{10})$$

4. Simplify:

(i) $(\frac{3}{10}) \div (\frac{10}{3})$

(ii) $4 \frac{3}{5} \div (\frac{4}{5})$

(iii) $5 \frac{4}{7} \div 1 \frac{3}{10}$

(iv) $4 \div 2 \frac{2}{5}$



Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Given } & (3/10) \div (10/3) \\ & = (3 \times 3) / (10 \times 10) \\ & = (9/100) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Given } & 4 \frac{3}{5} \div (4/5) \\ \text{First convert the given mixed fraction into improper fractions} \\ 4 \frac{3}{5} & = (23/5) \\ (23/5) \div (4/5) & = (23 \times 5) / (5 \times 4) \\ & = (23/4) \\ & = 5 \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Given } & 5 \frac{4}{7} \div 1 \frac{3}{10} \\ \text{First convert the given mixed fractions into improper fractions} \\ & (39/7) \text{ and } (13/10) \\ (39/7) \div (13/10) & = (39 \times 10) / (7 \times 13) \\ & = (390/91) \\ & = (30/7) \\ & = 4 \frac{2}{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv) Given } & 4 \div 2 \frac{2}{5} \\ \text{First convert the given mixed fraction into improper fraction} \\ 2 \frac{2}{5} & = (12/5) \\ 4 \div (12/5) & = (4 \times 5) / 12 \\ & = (20/12) \\ & = 1 \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

5. A wire of length $12 \frac{1}{2}$ m is cut into 10 pieces of equal length. Find the length of each piece.

Solution:

Given total length of the wire is = $12 \frac{1}{2} = (25/2)$ m
It is cut into 10 pieces, so length of one piece is

$$\begin{aligned} &= (25/2)/10 \\ &= (25/20) \\ &= (5/4) \\ &= 1 \frac{1}{4} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

6. The length of rectangular plot of area $65 \frac{1}{3} \text{ m}^2$ is $12 \frac{1}{4} \text{ m}$. What is the width of the plot?

Solution:

Given area of rectangular plot is $65 \frac{1}{3} \text{ m}^2 = (196/3) \text{ m}^2$

Length of the same plot is $12 \frac{1}{4} \text{ m} = (49/4) \text{ m}$

Width of the plot is

Area = length \times breadth

$$(196/3) = (49/4) \times \text{breadth}$$

$$\text{Breadth} = (196/3) / (49/4)$$

$$= (196 \times 4) / (49 \times 3)$$

$$= (784/147)$$

$$= 5 \frac{1}{3}$$

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7. By what number should $6 \frac{2}{9}$ be multiplied to get $4 \frac{4}{9}$?

Solution:

Let x be the number which needs to be multiplied by $6 \frac{2}{9} = (56/9)$

$$x \times (56/9) = 4 \frac{4}{9}$$

$$x \times (56/9) = (40/9)$$

$$x = (40/9) \times (9/56)$$

$$x = (40/56)$$

$$x = (5/7)$$

8. The product of two numbers is $25 \frac{5}{6}$. If one of the numbers is $6 \frac{2}{3}$, find the other.

Solution:

Given product of two numbers is $25 \frac{5}{6} = (155/6)$

One of the number is $6 \frac{2}{3} = \frac{20}{3}$

Let the other number be x

$$\frac{155}{6} = x \times \frac{20}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{20} \times \frac{155}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{31}{8}$$

$$x = 3 \frac{7}{8}$$

9. The cost of $6 \frac{1}{4}$ kg of apples is Rs 400. At what rate per kg are the apples being sold?

Solution:

The cost of $6 \frac{1}{4}$ kg = $\frac{25}{4}$ of apples is Rs 400

Cost of apple per kg is = $\frac{25}{4} / 400$

$$= \frac{4}{25} \times 400$$

$$= \text{Rs } 64$$

10. By selling oranges at the rate of Rs $5 \frac{1}{4}$ per orange, a fruit-seller gets Rs 630. How many dozens of oranges does he sell?

Solution:

Given cost of 1 orange is Rs $5 \frac{1}{4} = \frac{21}{4}$

He got Rs 630 by selling the oranges

Number of dozens of oranges sold by him for Rs 630 is = $\frac{4}{21} \times 630$

$$= 120 \text{ apples}$$

But we know that 1 dozen = 12

120 apples means 10 dozens

11. In mid-day meal scheme $\frac{3}{10}$ liter of milk is given to each student of a primary school. If 30 liters of milk is distributed every day in the school, how many students are there in the school?

Solution:

Given $\frac{3}{10}$ liter of milk is given to each student

Number of student given $\frac{3}{10}$ liter of milk = 1

Number of students giving 1 liter of milk = $\frac{10}{3}$

Numbers of students giving 30 liters of milk = $\frac{10}{3} \times 30 = 100$ students

12. In a charity show Rs 6496 were collected by selling some tickets. If the price of each ticket was Rs $50 \frac{3}{4}$, how many tickets were sold?

Solution:

Given amount collected by selling tickets = Rs 6496

The price of each ticket is = $50 \frac{3}{4} = \frac{203}{4}$

Number of ticket bought at Rs $\frac{203}{4}$ = 1

Number of tickets bought for Rs 6496 is = $\frac{4}{203} \times 6496$

= 4×32

= 128 tickets



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