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Adding and Subtracting Fractions – Year 5

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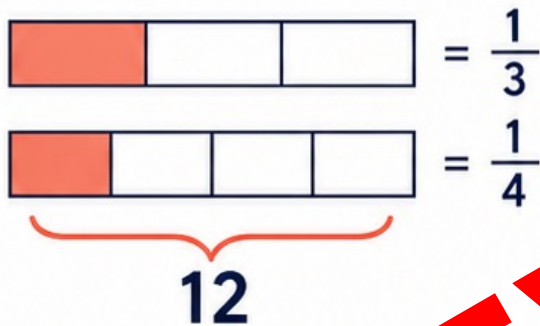


Add and Subtract Fractions

4-Step Check

1

Find a common denominator.



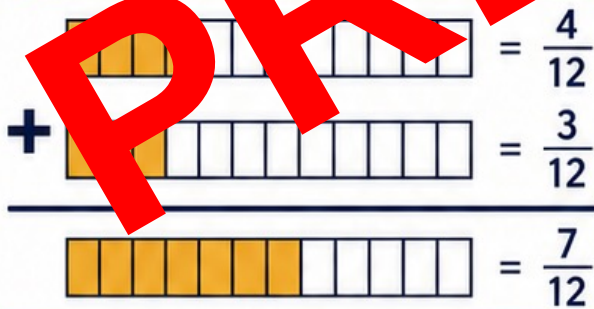
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Make equivalent fractions.



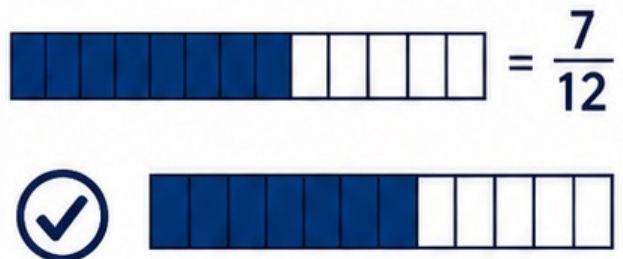
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Add or subtract the numerators.



4

Simplify and check.



$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

Keep the denominator once the parts are the same size.



Same-Denominator Fluency



Name: _____

When the denominators match, add or subtract the numerators.
Keep the denominator, then simplify.

1. Calculate and simplify.

1. $\frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{9}$ _____

6. $\frac{13}{14} - \frac{5}{14}$ _____

2. $\frac{7}{10} - \frac{3}{10}$ _____

7. $\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$ _____

3. $\frac{5}{12} + \frac{3}{12}$ _____

8. $\frac{9}{1} - \frac{2}{1}$ _____

4. $\frac{11}{15} - \frac{4}{15}$ _____

9. $\frac{4}{7} - \frac{2}{7}$ _____

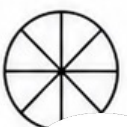
5. $\frac{1}{8} + \frac{6}{8}$ _____

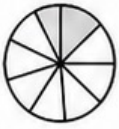
10. $\frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12}$ _____

2. Explain your thinking.

11. Mia says $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{16}$. Explain her error and correct it.

12. Write a same-denominator subtraction with an answer of $\frac{2}{9}$.





Same-Denominator Fluency



Name: ANSWERS

When the denominators match, add or subtract the numerators.
Keep the denominator, then simplify.

1. Calculate and simplify.

1. $\frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{9} = \frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$

6. $\frac{13}{14} - \frac{5}{14} = \frac{8}{14} = \frac{4}{7}$

2. $\frac{7}{10} - \frac{3}{10} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$

7. $\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$

3. $\frac{5}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3}$

8. $\frac{9}{11} - \frac{2}{11} = \frac{7}{11}$

4. $\frac{11}{15} - \frac{4}{15} = \frac{7}{15}$

9. $\frac{4}{7} + \frac{2}{7} = \frac{6}{7}$

5. $\frac{1}{8} + \frac{6}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$

10. $\frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$

2. Explain your thinking.

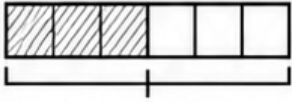
11. Mia says $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{16}$. Explain her error and correct it.

Mia added the denominators. The denominator stays 8: $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$.

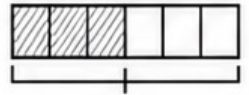
12. Write a same-denominator subtraction with an answer of $\frac{2}{9}$.

$\frac{5}{9} - \frac{3}{9} = \frac{2}{9}$





Equivalent Fractions Planner



Name: _____

Use multiplication facts to create equivalent fractions.
Choose the least common denominator when you can.

A. Complete each equivalent fraction.

1. $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\quad}{8}$

4. $\frac{5}{6} = \frac{\quad}{18}$

2. $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{\quad}{12}$

5. $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{\quad}{12}$

3. $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{\quad}{15}$

6. $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\quad}{6}$

B. Prepare each pair.

7. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{\quad}{4} = \frac{\quad}{12} + \frac{\quad}{12}$

8. $\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\quad}{10} - \frac{\quad}{10}$

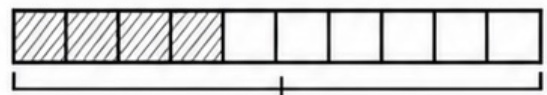
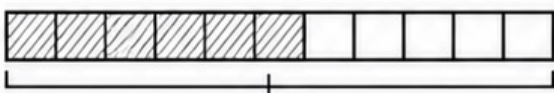
9. $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{\quad}{24} + \frac{\quad}{24}$

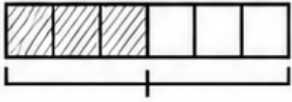
10. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{9} = \frac{\quad}{18} - \frac{\quad}{18}$

C. Circle the least common denominator.

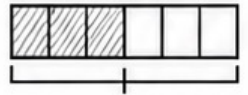
11. $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$ 7 12 24

12. $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{10}$ 10 20 50





Equivalent Fractions Planner



Name: _____ **ANSWERS**

Use multiplication facts to create equivalent fractions.
Choose the least common denominator when you can.

A. Complete each equivalent fraction.

1. $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{8}$

4. $\frac{5}{6} = \frac{15}{18}$

2. $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$

5. $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{12}{16}$

3. $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{9}{15}$

6. $\frac{7}{10} = \frac{14}{20}$

B. Prepare each pair.

7. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{12} + \frac{3}{12}$

8. $\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{6}{10} - \frac{5}{10}$

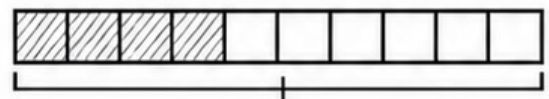
9. $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{16}{24} + \frac{9}{24}$

10. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{9} = \frac{15}{18} - \frac{2}{18}$

C. Circle the least common denominator.

11. $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$ 7 **12** 24

12. $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{10}$ **10** 20 50





Add Unlike Denominators



Name: _____

Find a common denominator.

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Calculate. Simplify every answer.

1. $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$

2. $\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{2}$

3. $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4}$

4. $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{9}$

5. $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{10}$

6. $\frac{7}{12} + \frac{1}{8}$

7. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

8. $\frac{5}{9} + \frac{7}{12}$

Challenge: convert answers greater than one.

9. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{9}{20}$

10. $\frac{11}{15} + \frac{4}{9}$



Add Unlike Denominators



Name: **ANSWERS**

Find a common denominator.

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Calculate. Simplify every answer.

1. $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$

$$\frac{3}{12} + \frac{4}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

2. $\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{4}{10} + \frac{5}{10} = \frac{9}{10}$$

3. $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4}$

$$\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

4. $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}$

$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{6} = \frac{7}{6} = 1 \frac{1}{6}$$

5. $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{10}$

$$\frac{20}{30} + \frac{9}{30} = \frac{29}{30}$$

6. $\frac{7}{12} + \frac{1}{8}$

$$\frac{14}{24} + \frac{3}{24} = \frac{17}{24}$$

7. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

$$\frac{9}{12} + \frac{10}{12} = \frac{19}{12} = 1 \frac{7}{12}$$

8. $\frac{5}{9} + \frac{7}{12}$

$$\frac{20}{36} + \frac{21}{36} = \frac{41}{36} = 1 \frac{5}{36}$$

Challenge: convert answers greater than one.

9. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{9}{20}$

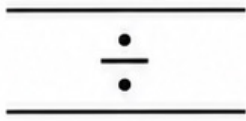
$$\frac{14}{20} + \frac{9}{20} = \frac{23}{20} = 1 \frac{3}{20}$$

10. $\frac{11}{15} + \frac{4}{9}$

$$\frac{33}{45} + \frac{20}{45} = \frac{53}{45} = 1 \frac{8}{45}$$

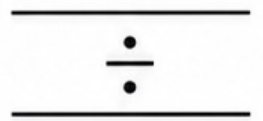
Subtract Unlike Denominators

Name: _____



Find a common denominator.

$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$



Calculate. Simplify every answer.

1. $\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3} =$ _____

2. $\frac{7}{10} - \frac{1}{4} =$ _____

3. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{2}{9} =$ _____

4. $\frac{11}{12} - \frac{3}{8} =$ _____

5. $\frac{7}{9} - \frac{1}{6} =$ _____

6. $\frac{5}{5} - \frac{1}{10} =$ _____

7. $\frac{13}{15} - \frac{2}{5} =$ _____

8. $\frac{7}{8} - \frac{5}{12} =$ _____

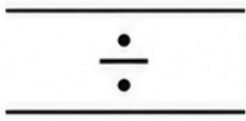
Reason and explain.

9. Jonah says $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$. Explain his error and correct it.

10. Which is greater: $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$? Show your working.

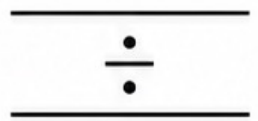
Subtract Unlike Denominators

Name: _____ **ANSWERS**



Find a common denominator.

$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$



Calculate. Simplify every answer.

1. $\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{9}{12} - \frac{4}{12} = \frac{5}{12}$

2. $\frac{7}{10} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{14}{20} - \frac{5}{20} = \frac{9}{20}$

3. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{2}{9} = \frac{15}{18} - \frac{4}{18} = \frac{11}{18}$

4. $\frac{11}{12} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{22}{24} - \frac{9}{24} = \frac{13}{24}$

5. $\frac{7}{9} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{14}{18} - \frac{3}{18} = \frac{11}{18}$

6. $\frac{5}{5} - \frac{1}{10} = \frac{8}{10} - \frac{1}{10} = \frac{7}{10}$

7. $\frac{13}{15} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{10}{15} - \frac{4}{15} = \frac{6}{15} = \frac{2}{5}$

8. $\frac{7}{8} - \frac{5}{12} = \frac{21}{24} - \frac{10}{24} = \frac{11}{24}$

Reason and explain.

9. Jonah says $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$. Explain his error and correct it.

Jonah subtracted both denominators. Use tenths: $\frac{6}{10} - \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{10}$.

10. Which is greater: $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$? Show your working.

$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{12}$; $\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{12}$. Therefore, $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$ is greater.

$\frac{\circ}{\circ}$ Whole and Mixed Number Moves $\frac{\circ}{\circ}$

Name: _____

Rename the whole before subtracting.

$$1 - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{8}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

A. Subtract from the whole.

1. $1 - \frac{2}{5}$

2. $1 - \frac{7}{12}$

3. $2 - \frac{3}{4}$

4. $3 - \frac{5}{9}$

B. Add, then convert answers greater than one.

5. $\frac{5}{8} + \frac{7}{8}$

6. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{9}{10}$

7. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

8. $\frac{11}{12} + \frac{5}{8}$

C. Convert each number.

9. $\frac{9}{4}$ to a mixed number

10. $\frac{17}{6}$ to a mixed number

11. $2\frac{3}{5}$ to an improper fraction

12. $3\frac{1}{8}$ to an improper fraction

$\frac{\circ}{\circ}$ Whole and Mixed Number Moves $\frac{\circ}{\circ}$

Name: ANSWERS

Rename the whole before subtracting.

$$1 - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{8}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

A. Subtract from the whole.

1. $1 - \frac{2}{5}$

$\frac{3}{5}$

2. $1 - \frac{7}{12}$

$\frac{5}{12}$

3. $2 - \frac{3}{4}$

$1\frac{1}{4}$

4. $3 - \frac{5}{6}$

$2\frac{1}{6}$

B. Add, then convert answers greater than one.

5. $\frac{5}{8} + \frac{7}{8}$

$\frac{12}{8} = 1\frac{1}{2}$

6. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{9}{10}$

$\frac{16}{10} = \frac{8}{5} = 1\frac{3}{5}$

7. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

$\frac{19}{12} = 1\frac{7}{12}$

8. $\frac{11}{12} + \frac{5}{8}$

$\frac{37}{24} = 1\frac{13}{24}$

C. Convert each number.

9. $\frac{9}{4}$ to a mixed number

$2\frac{1}{4}$

10. $\frac{17}{6}$ to a mixed number

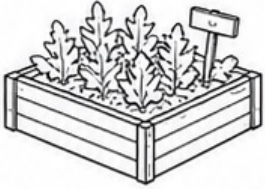
$2\frac{5}{6}$

11. $2\frac{3}{5}$ to an improper fraction

$\frac{13}{5}$

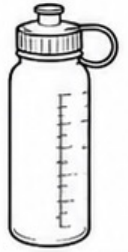
12. $3\frac{1}{8}$ to an improper fraction

$\frac{25}{8}$



Fraction Problem Solving

Support and Core



Name: _____

1. Underline the question.

2. Choose the operation.

3. Make common denominators.

4. Solve and check.

1. A community garden uses $\frac{2}{5}$ of a bed for herbs and $\frac{1}{4}$ for flowers.

What fraction of the bed is planted?

Equation:

Working:

Answer:

2. A cooler holds $\frac{7}{8}$ L of juice. Students pour out $\frac{1}{3}$

How much juice remains?

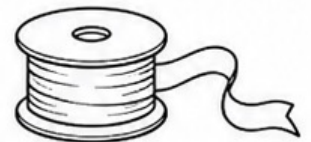
Equation:

Working:

Answer:

3. Maya has 1 m of ribbon and uses $\frac{3}{10}$ m.

How much ribbon remains?



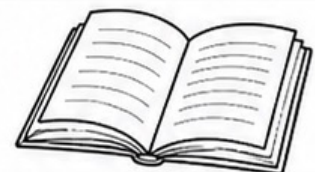
Equation:

Working:

Answer:

4. Asha reads $\frac{5}{12}$ of a novel on Monday and $\frac{1}{6}$ on Tuesday.

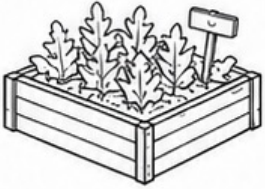
What fraction does she read altogether?



Equation:

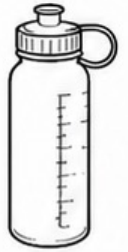
Working:

Answer:



Fraction Problem Solving

Support and Core



Name: ANSWERS

1. Underline the question.	2. Choose the operation.	3. Make common denominators.	4. Solve and check.
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1. A community garden uses $\frac{2}{5}$ of a bed for herbs and $\frac{1}{4}$ for flowers.

What fraction of the bed is planted?

Equation:

$$\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{4}$$

Working:

$$\frac{8}{20} + \frac{5}{20} = \frac{13}{20}$$

Answer:

$\frac{13}{20}$ of the bed

2. A cooler holds $\frac{7}{8}$ L of juice. Students pour out $\frac{1}{3}$ L.

How much juice remains?

Equation:

$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{3}$$

Working:

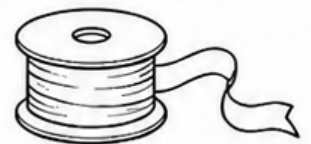
$$\frac{21}{24} - \frac{8}{24} = \frac{13}{24}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{13}{24} \text{ L}$$

3. Man has 1 m of ribbon and uses $\frac{3}{10}$ m.

How much ribbon remains?



Equation:

$$1 - \frac{3}{10}$$

Working:

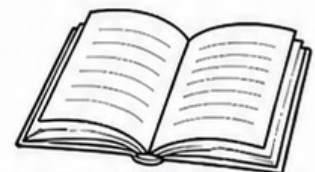
$$\frac{10}{10} - \frac{3}{10} = \frac{7}{10}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{7}{10} \text{ m}$$

4. Asha reads $\frac{5}{12}$ of a novel on Monday and $\frac{1}{6}$ on Tuesday.

What fraction does she read altogether?



Equation:

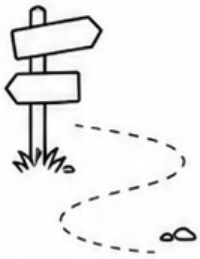
$$\frac{5}{12} + \frac{1}{6}$$

Working:

$$\frac{5}{12} + \frac{2}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

Answer:

$\frac{7}{12}$ of the novel



Fraction Problem Solving

Extension



Name: _____

1. A class hikes $\frac{3}{8}$ of a trail before lunch and $\frac{5}{12}$ after lunch. What fraction do they hike altogether?
What fraction remains?

Plan:

Working:

Answer and explanation:

2. Ava has $1\frac{1}{2}$ L of paint. She uses $\frac{2}{3}$ L for a mural and $\frac{3}{8}$ L for a chair. How much paint remains?



Plan:

Working:

Answer and explanation:

3. Recipe A uses $\frac{1}{2}$ cup oats and $\frac{2}{3}$ cup nuts. Recipe B uses $\frac{5}{6}$ cup oats and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup nuts.
Which recipe uses more oats together? Explain.

Plan:

Working:

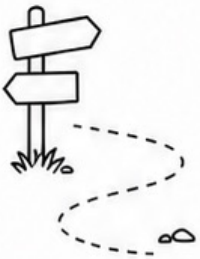
Answer and explanation:

4. Create and solve a word problem for $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{8}$. Your context must make sense and include a unit.



My problem:

My solution:



Fraction Problem Solving

Extension



Name: **ANSWERS**

1. A class hikes $\frac{3}{8}$ of a trail before lunch and $\frac{5}{12}$ after lunch. What fraction do they hike altogether?
What fraction remains?

Plan:

Add the distances;
subtract the total
from 1.

Working:

$$\frac{3}{8} + \frac{5}{12} = \frac{9}{24} + \frac{10}{24} = \frac{19}{24};$$
$$1 - \frac{19}{24} = \frac{5}{24}$$

Answer and explanation:

They hike $\frac{19}{24}$.
A further $\frac{5}{24}$ remains.

2. Ava has $1\frac{1}{2}$ L of paint. She uses $\frac{2}{3}$ L for a mural and $\frac{3}{8}$ L for a bowl. How much paint remains?



Plan:

Rename all amounts
in twenty-fourths.

Working:

$$1\frac{1}{2} = \frac{24}{24} + \frac{12}{24} = \frac{36}{24}; \quad \frac{2}{3} = \frac{16}{24}; \quad \frac{3}{8} = \frac{9}{24};$$
$$\frac{36}{24} - \frac{16}{24} - \frac{9}{24} = \frac{11}{24}$$

Answer and explanation:

$\frac{11}{24}$ L remains.

3. Recipe A uses $\frac{3}{4}$ cup oats and $\frac{1}{3}$ cup nuts. Recipe B uses $\frac{5}{6}$ cup oats and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup nuts.
Which recipe uses more altogether? Explain.

Plan:

Find each recipe total
and compare.

Working:

$$A: \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{9}{12} + \frac{4}{12} = \frac{13}{12}.$$
$$B: \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{13}{12}.$$

Answer and explanation:

Neither uses more.
The totals are equal.

4. Create and solve a word problem for $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{8}$. Your context must make sense and include a unit.



My problem:

Noah walks $\frac{2}{3}$ km in the morning and
 $\frac{5}{8}$ km after lunch. How far does he
walk altogether?

My solution:

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{8} = \frac{16}{24} + \frac{15}{24} = \frac{31}{24} = 1\frac{7}{24} \text{ km}$$



Fraction Match-Up Sort

Solve each problem and Place it in the best-matching zone.



1.

Same Denominator

Denominators already match. The result is under 1 and already simplified.

2.

Make Equivalents

Denominators differ. Make equivalent fractions before solving.

3.

Greater Than One

The result is an improper fraction or mixed number.

4.

Needs Simplifying

The result can be reduced to an equivalent fraction.

Explain your choice to a partner.

Fraction Match-Up Cards

Cut on the dashed lines. Solve each card before sorting.

A1

$$\frac{2}{7} + \frac{3}{7}$$

A2

$$\frac{7}{9} - \frac{2}{9}$$

A3

$$\frac{4}{11} + \frac{5}{11}$$

A4

$$\frac{10}{13} - \frac{3}{13}$$

A5

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$$

A6

$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{6}$$

A7

$$\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{4}$$

A8

$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{3}$$

A9

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}$$

A10

$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{5}$$

A11

$$\frac{7}{8} + \frac{5}{12}$$

A12

$$\frac{11}{12} + \frac{2}{3}$$

A13

$$\frac{2}{8} + \frac{4}{8}$$

A14

$$\frac{9}{12} - \frac{3}{12}$$

A15

$$\frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{6}$$

A16

$$\frac{8}{10} - \frac{2}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{2}{3} \quad \frac{3}{4}$$

Build-a-Whole Trail

$$\frac{3}{5} \quad \frac{2}{4} \quad \frac{5}{6}$$

— • — Solve, compare with one whole, then move. — • —

START

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

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12

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14

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16

17

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19

20

21

22

23

24



Answer a card. Move 1 space if the result is less than 1, 2 spaces if it equals 1, or 3 spaces if it is greater than 1. First to Finish wins.

FINISH

$$\frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{2}{5} \quad \frac{3}{8}$$

Build-a-Whole Operation Cards

Cut on the dashed lines. Solve and compare each result with 1.

G1

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$$

G2

$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$$

G3

$$\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{4}$$

G4

$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{3}$$

G5

$$\frac{3}{10} + \frac{2}{5}$$

G6

$$\frac{11}{12} - \frac{1}{6}$$

G7

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{9}$$

G8

$$\frac{1}{5} - \frac{3}{8}$$

G9

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3}$$

G10

$$\frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{9}$$

G11

$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6}$$

G12

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}$$

G13

$$\frac{9}{10} - \frac{1}{10}$$

G14

$$\frac{11}{12} + \frac{1}{12}$$

G15

$$\frac{7}{9} + \frac{2}{9}$$

G16

$$\frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{8}$$

G17

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}$$

G18

$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{5}$$

G19

$$\frac{7}{8} + \frac{5}{12}$$

G20

$$\frac{11}{12} + \frac{2}{3}$$

G21

$$\frac{4}{5} + \frac{3}{4}$$

G22

$$\frac{7}{10} + \frac{5}{6}$$

G23

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{7}{8}$$

G24

$$\frac{5}{9} + \frac{11}{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{2}{3} \quad \frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{4}{5}$$

Build-a-Whole: Rules and Record



MATERIALS

Game board, operation cards, one counter per player, scrap paper and pencils.



SET-UP

Shuffle the cards face down. Place every counter on START.



HOW TO PLAY

1. Draw one card. Solve it and simplify the result.
2. A partner checks the answer strip.
3. Move 1 space if the result is less than 1, 2 spaces if it equals 1, or 3 spaces if it is greater than 1.
4. Put the card at the bottom of the pile. The first player to reach FINISH wins.



RECORD YOUR TURN

Turn	Card	Common denominator	Answer	Move
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				

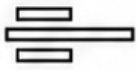


ANSWER STRIP — FOLD BACK DURING PLAY

G1 $\frac{7}{12}$
 G2 $\frac{7}{12}$
 G3 $\frac{13}{20}$
 G4 $\frac{13}{24}$
 G5 $\frac{7}{10}$
 G6 $\frac{3}{4}$
 G7 $\frac{13}{18}$
 G8 $\frac{17}{40}$

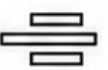
G9 1
 G10 1
 G11 1
 G12 1
 G13 1
 G14 1
 G15 1
 G16 1

G17 $1\frac{5}{12}$
 G18 $1\frac{13}{30}$
 G19 $1\frac{7}{24}$
 G20 $1\frac{7}{12}$
 G21 $1\frac{11}{20}$
 G22 $1\frac{8}{15}$
 G23 $1\frac{13}{24}$
 G24 $1\frac{17}{36}$



Adding and Subtracting Fractions Assessment

Skills



Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: ____ / 20

A. Equivalence and denominators — 4 marks

1. Complete: $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{\quad}{12}$ [1]

2. Circle the least common denominator for $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{5}{6}$: 10 12 24 [1]

3. Write a fraction equivalent to $\frac{5}{8}$ with a denominator of 24. [1]

4. Why must denominators match before adding or subtracting fractions? [1]

B. Calculate and simplify — 10 marks

5. $\frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{7}$ [1]

6. $\frac{11}{12} - \frac{5}{12}$ [1]

7. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{8}$ [2]

8. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$ [2]

9. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{5}{6}$. Convert answer greater than 1. [2]

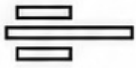
10. $1 - \frac{5}{12}$ [2]

C. Convert and reason — 6 marks

11. Convert $\frac{13}{5}$ to a mixed number. [2]

12. Convert $2\frac{3}{4}$ to an improper fraction. [2]

13. Is $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{4}$ less than, equal to or greater than 1? Explain without fully calculating. [2]



Adding and Subtracting Fractions Assessment

Skills



Name: **ANSWERS** Date: _____ Score: _____ / 20

A. Equivalence and denominators — 4 marks

1. Complete: $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$ [1]

2. Circle the least common denominator for $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{5}{6}$: 10 **12** 24 [1]

3. Write a fraction equivalent to $\frac{5}{8}$ with a denominator of 24. [1]
 $\frac{15}{24}$

4. Why must denominators match before adding or subtracting fractions? [1]

Fractions must name equal-sized parts; a common denominator makes the parts comparable.

B. Calculate and simplify — 10 marks

5. $\frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{7} = \frac{5}{7}$ [1]

6. $\frac{11}{12} - \frac{5}{12} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$ [1]

7. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{8}{24} + \frac{9}{24} = \frac{17}{24}$ [2]

8. $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$ [2]

9. $\frac{7}{10} + \frac{5}{6}$ Convert to answer greater than 1. $\frac{21}{30} + \frac{25}{30} = \frac{46}{30} = \frac{23}{15} = 1\frac{8}{15}$ [2]

10. $1 - \frac{5}{12} = \frac{12}{12} - \frac{5}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$ [2]

C. Convert and reason — 6 marks

11. Convert $\frac{13}{5}$ to a mixed number. **$2\frac{3}{5}$** [2]

12. Convert $2\frac{3}{4}$ to an improper fraction. **$\frac{11}{4}$** [2]

13. Is $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{4}$ less than, equal to or greater than 1? Explain without fully calculating. [2]

Greater than 1. Both $\frac{5}{6}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ are greater than $\frac{1}{2}$, so their sum is greater than 1.

Adding and Subtracting Fractions Assessment

Reasoning and Application

Name: _____

Date: _____

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1. Use fraction bars to model $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$. Then write the completed equation. [4]

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Equation: _____

2. Sam says $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{7}$. Explain the error and calculate the correct answer. [4]

3. A garden uses $\frac{3}{8}$ of its area for herbs and $\frac{1}{4}$ for flowers. What fraction is planted?
What fraction remains? [4]

Working:

Answer:

4. A $1\frac{1}{4}$ km route is planned. A class walks $\frac{2}{5}$ km before recess and $\frac{3}{8}$ km after recess.
How far remains? [4]

Working:

Answer:

5. Recipe A uses $\frac{5}{6}$ cup oats and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup seeds. Recipe B uses $\frac{3}{4}$ cup oats and $\frac{2}{5}$ cup seeds.
Which recipe uses more altogether, and by how much? [4]

Working:

Answer and explanation:

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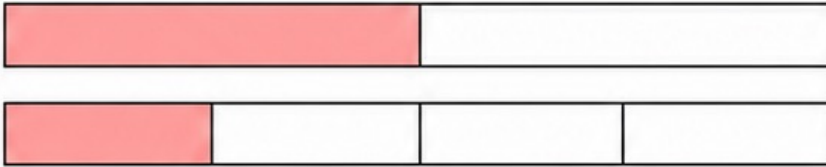
Reasoning and Application

Name: ANSWERS

Date: _____

Score: ____ / 20

1. Use fraction bars to model $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$. Then write the completed equation. [4]



Equation: $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$

2. Sam says $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{7}$. Explain the error and calculate the correct answer. [4]

Sam added numerators and denominators. Use twelfths: $\frac{8}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{11}{12}$

3. A garden uses $\frac{3}{8}$ of its area for herbs and $\frac{1}{3}$ for flowers. What fraction remains? [4]

Working:

$$\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{9}{24} + \frac{8}{24} = \frac{17}{24}$$

Answer:

$\frac{17}{24}$ is planted. $\frac{7}{24}$ remains.

4. A $1\frac{1}{4}$ km route is planned. A class walks $\frac{2}{5}$ km before recess and $\frac{3}{8}$ km after recess. How far remains? [4]

Working:

$$1\frac{1}{4} = \frac{50}{40}; \frac{2}{5} = \frac{16}{40}; \frac{3}{8} = \frac{15}{40};$$

$$\frac{50}{40} - \frac{16}{40} - \frac{15}{40} = \frac{19}{40}$$

Answer:

$\frac{19}{40}$ km remains.

5. Recipe A uses $\frac{5}{6}$ cup oats and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup seeds. Recipe B uses $\frac{3}{4}$ cup oats and $\frac{2}{5}$ cup seeds. Which recipe uses more altogether, and by how much? [4]

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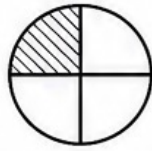
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$$\text{B: } \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{23}{20} = \frac{69}{60}$$

$$\frac{69}{60} - \frac{65}{60} = \frac{4}{60} = \frac{1}{15}$$

Answer and explanation:

Recipe B uses $\frac{1}{15}$ cup more.



$$\frac{3}{4}$$

Adding and Subtracting Fractions Rubric

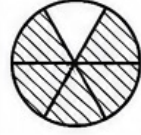
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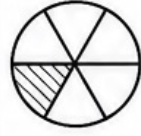
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Criteria	Beginning	Developing	Applying	Proficient	Extending
Conceptual understanding	Identifies limited fraction parts.	Shows partial understanding of equivalence.	Uses common denominators with support.	Explains equivalence and common denominators.	Connects representations and justifies equivalence.
Accuracy	Makes frequent calculation errors.	Completes some simple calculations correctly.	Is mostly accurate with familiar calculations.	Calculates varied problems accurately and simplifies.	Solves complex calculations efficiently and checks.
Strategy	Records little or no workable strategy.	Chooses a strategy with prompting.	Uses a suitable strategy.	Selects and records an efficient strategy.	Compares methods and chooses strategically.
Representation and reasoning	Models or explanations are unclear.	Uses a simple model with limited explanation.	Uses a model and gives partial reasoning.	Uses accurate models and logical reasoning.	Uses flexible representations and convincing justification.
Problem solving	Needs substantial support to begin.	Solves a single step with support.	Solves multiple steps with guidance.	Independently solves and interprets problems.	Generalises, creates and evaluates problems.

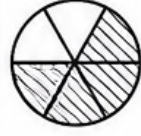
$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6}$$



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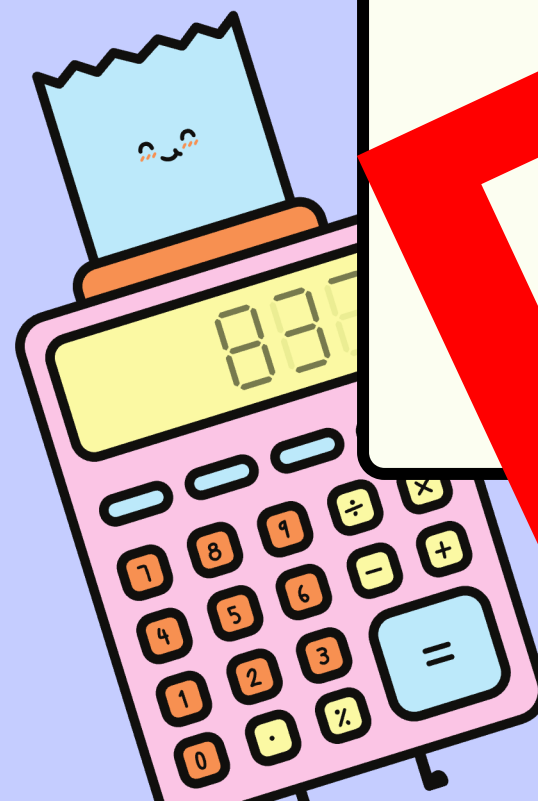
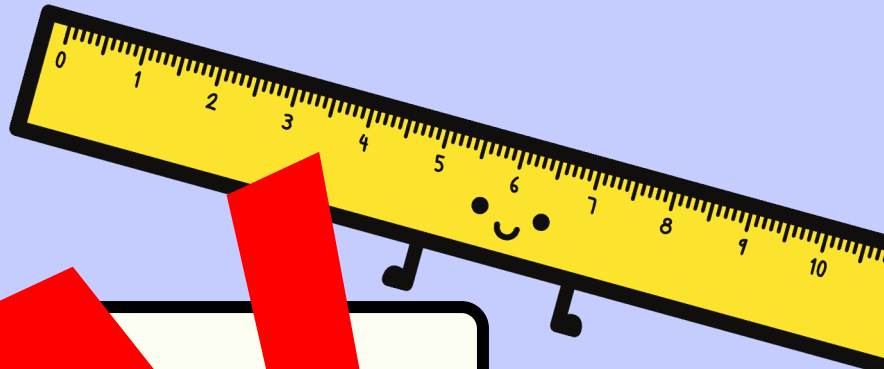
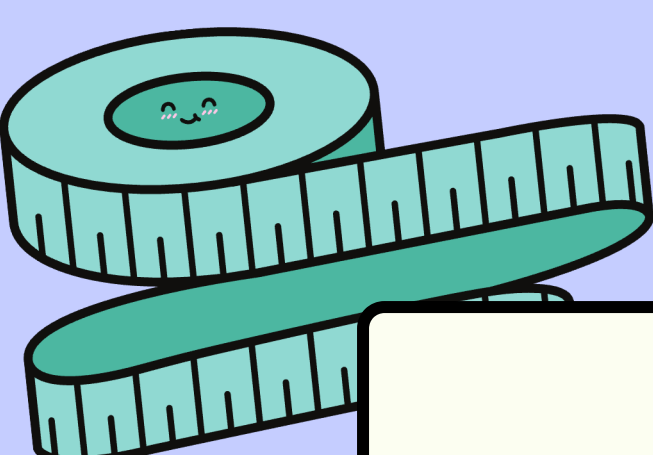


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$$\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$





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**Adding and
Subtracting
Fractions**



Learning Intentions

Today we will:

- add and subtract fractions with the same and different denominators
- use equivalent fractions to make equal-sized parts
- justify answers and explain our reasoning

Success criteria: I can use a common denominator and check whether my answer is reasonable.



Fraction Foundations

Numerator: how many parts we have

Denominator: the size of each equal part

Equivalent fractions: same thing, same amount.

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6}$$

The parts look different, but the value stays the same.



When Denominators Match

Add or subtract the numerators.

Keep the denominator because the parts are already the same size.

$$\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\frac{4}{10} - \frac{3}{10} = \frac{1}{10}$$

Always simplify when possible.



Why Denominators Must Match

You can only combine equal sized parts.

$\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ are different size pieces.

Let's make both in twelfths.

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{12} \quad \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{12}$$

Now the pieces are comparable.



Find a Common Denominator

1. List multiples of each denominator.
 2. Choose the least common multiple when it is efficient.
 3. Build equivalent fractions.
 4. Check that each fraction keeps the same value.
- For 3 and 4 the least common denominator is 12.



Worked Example: Addition

Add $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{8}$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{16}{24}$$

$$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{9}{24}$$

$$\frac{16}{24} + \frac{9}{24} = \frac{25}{24}$$

$$\frac{25}{24} = 1 \frac{1}{24}$$

The answer is just greater than 1, which is reasonable.



Worked Example: Subtraction

Subtract $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4}$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{10}{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{12}$$

$$\frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

Check: $\frac{5}{6}$ is close to 1 and $\frac{1}{4}$ is small, so $\frac{7}{12}$ makes sense.



Simplify and Convert

Simplify by dividing numerator and denominator by the same factor.

$$2/6 = 1/3$$

If the numerator is greater than the denominator, convert to a mixed number:

$$19/12 = 1 \frac{7}{12}$$



Wholes and Mixed Numbers

Rename a whole before subtracting.

$$1 - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{8}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$

For mixed numbers, rename only when needed.

$$2 - \frac{3}{4} = 1 \frac{1}{4}$$

Use equivalent fractions before combining unlike denominators.



Use a Visual Check

Fraction bars and number lines show whether an answer is sensible.

Ask:

- Is the result better, equal to, or above 1?
- Could addition grow the amount?
- Could subtraction make it smaller?

This model catches many denominator mistakes.



Solve Fraction Problems

1. Understand the question and identify the units.
2. Decide whether to add or subtract.
3. Make common denominators and calculate.
4. Write the answer in context.
5. Estimate a model to check.

Keep units in the final answer.



Spot the Error

Michelle writes:

$$3/5 + 1/2 = 4/7$$

She added the denominators. That changes the size of the parts.

Correct method:

$$3/5 + 1/2 = 6/10 + 5/10 = 11/10 = 1 \frac{1}{10}$$



Guided Review

Try these, then explain your strategy:

1. $\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{3}$

2. $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

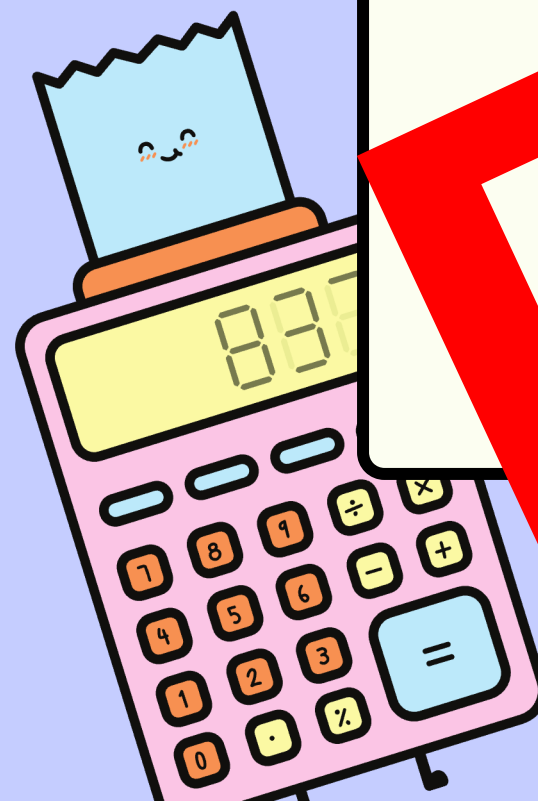
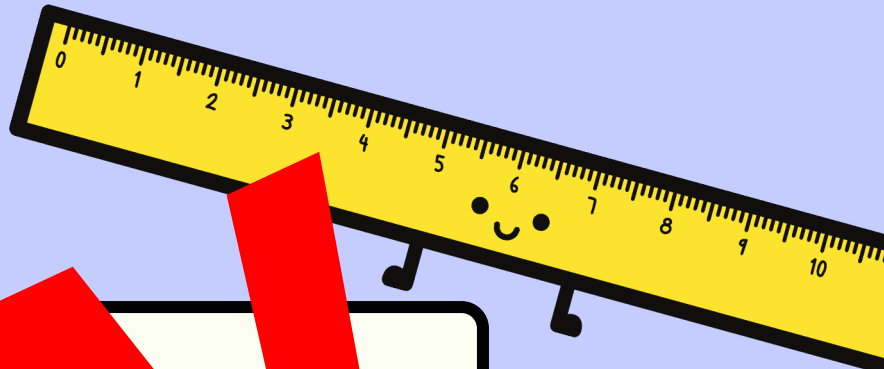
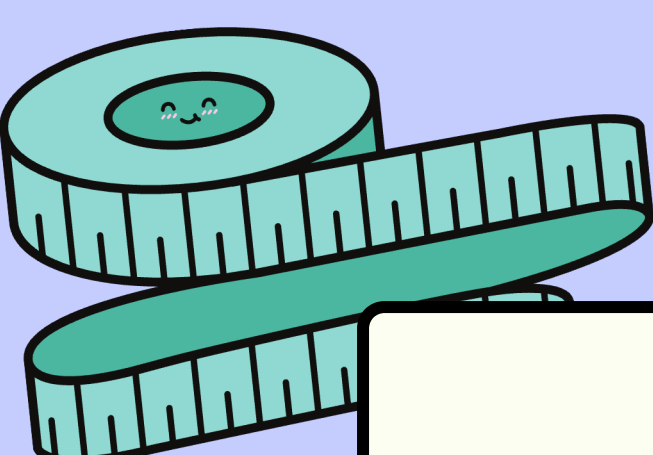
3. $1 - \frac{5}{12}$

Create a word problem for $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4}$.

Check denominators, simplify and use a mixed number when needed.







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Adding and Subtracting Fractions Quiz



Question 1 – True or False

When two fractions have the same denominator, add the numerators and keep the denominator.

True or False?



Answer 1

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The denominators are already the same size.

Add or subtract the numerators and keep the denominator.

Then simplify if possible.



Question 2 – Multiple Choice

Which fraction is equivalent to $\frac{2}{3}$?

A. $\frac{4}{6}$

B. $\frac{3}{5}$

C. $\frac{6}{8}$

D. $\frac{8}{15}$



Answer 2

A. 4/6

Multiply both numerator and denominator of $\frac{2}{3}$ by 2:

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$$



Question 3 – Short Answer

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calculate and simplify.

$$\frac{5}{9} - \frac{2}{9} = ?$$



Answer 3

$$5/9 + 2/9 = 7/9$$

The denominators are the same, so add the numerators and keep 9.



Question 4 – Multiple Choice

What is $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$?

A. $\frac{2}{7}$

B. $\frac{5}{12}$

C. $\frac{2}{12}$

D. $\frac{7}{12}$



Answer 4

D. 7/12

$$1/4 = 3/12$$

$$1/3 = 4/12$$

$$3/12 + 4/12 = 7/12$$



Question 5 – True or False

To add $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$ add the denominators to make $\frac{2}{6}$.

True or False?



Answer 5

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Do not add denominators.
 $1/2 = 2/4$, so $2/4 + 1/4 = 3/4$.



Question 6 – Short Answer

Calculate and simplify.

$$7/16 - 1/4 = ?$$



Answer 6

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$$7/10 - 1/10$$

$$4/20 - 5/20$$

$$7/20$$



Question 7 – Multiple Choice

What is $1 - \frac{3}{8}$?

A. $\frac{2}{8}$

B. $\frac{3}{8}$

C. $\frac{5}{8}$

D. $\frac{7}{8}$



Answer 7

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C. 3

name the whole.

$\frac{3}{8}$

$$\frac{8}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$$



Question 8 – Short Answer

Calculate. Convert an answer greater than 1.

$$3/4 \div 5/6 = ?$$



Answer 8

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6} \\ &= \frac{9}{12} + \frac{10}{12} \\ &= \frac{19}{12} \\ &= 1 \frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$



Question 9 – Multiple Choice

A student reads $\frac{2}{5}$ of a book on Monday and $\frac{1}{4}$ on Tuesday.

What fraction of the book has she read together?

A. $\frac{2}{9}$ B. $\frac{1}{20}$ C. $\frac{13}{20}$ D. $\frac{3}{4}$



Answer 9

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$$C. 1/20$$

$$2/5 = 8/20$$

$$1/4 = 5/20$$

$$8/20 + 5/20 = 13/20$$



Question 10 – Short Answer

A jug holds 1 litre of water.
If $\frac{2}{3}$ is poured out, how much remains?



Answer 10

$$1\frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{6}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$$

$$3 - \frac{4}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$\frac{5}{6}$ L remains.





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Well Done!

