

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) (3/7)

(ii) (5/8)

(iii) (9/7)

(iv) (6/5)

(v) (12/7)

(vi) (1/8)

Solution:

(i) Given (3/7) Reciprocal of (3/7) is (7/3) (7/3) is improper fraction

(ii) Given (5/8) Reciprocal of (5/8) is (8/5) It is improper fraction

(iii) Given (9/7) Reciprocal of (9/7) is (7/9) It is proper fraction

(iv) Given (6/5) Reciprocal of (6/5) is (5/6) It is proper fraction

(v) Given (12/7) Reciprocal of (12/7) is (7/12) It is proper fraction

(vi) Given (1/8) Reciprocal of (1/8) is (8/1) = 8 It is whole number



2. Divide:

- (i) (3/8) by (5/9)
- (ii) 3 (1/4) by (2/3)
- (iii) (7/8) by 4 (1/2)
- (iv) 6 (1/4) by 2 (3/5)

Solution:

(i) Given (3/8) by (5/9)

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$ $(3/8)/(5/9) = (3/8) \times (9/5)$

- $= (3 \times 9) / (8 \times 5)$
- =(27/40)

(ii) Given 3 (1/4) by (2/3)

Converting 3 (1/4) to improper we get (13/4)

From the rule of division of fraction we know that $(a/b) \div (c/d) = (a/b) \times (d/c)$ $(13/4)/(2/3) = (13/4) \times (3/2)$

- $= (13 \times 3) / (4 \times 2)$
- =(39/8)
- = 4 (2/7)

(iii) Given (7/8) by 4 (1/2)

Converting 4 (1/2) to improper we get (9/2)

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

$$(7/8)/(9/2) = (7/8) \times (2/9)$$

- $= (7 \times 2) / (8 \times 9)$
- =(14/72)
- =(7/36)

(iv) Given 6 (1/4) by 2 (3/5)

Converting 6 (1/4) and 2 (3/5) to improper we get (25/4) and (13/5)

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

$$(25/4)/(13/5) = (25/4) \times (5/13)$$

- $= (25 \times 5) / (4 \times 13)$
- = (75/52)
- = 2 (21/52)



3. Divide:

(i) (3/8) by 4

(ii) (9/16) by 6

(iii) 9 by (3/16)

(iv) 10 by (100/3)

Solution:

(i) Given (3/8) by 4

= (3/8)/4

 $= (3/8 \times 4)$

=(3/32)

(ii) Given (9/16) by 6

= (9/16)/6

 $= (9/16 \times 6)$

= (9/96)

=(3/32)

(iii) Given 9 by (3/16)

= 9/ (3/16)

 $= (9 \times 16)/3$

= 16 × 3

= 48

(iv) Given 10 by (100/3)

= 10/ (100/3)

 $=(10 \times 3)/100$

=(3/10)

4. Simplify:

(i) (3/10) ÷ (10/3)

(ii) 4 (3/5) ÷ (4/5)

(iii) 5 (4/7) ÷ 1 (3/10)

(iv) $4 \div 2 (2/5)$

Solution:

(i) Given $(3/10) \div (10/3)$



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

= (9/100)

(ii) Given 4 $(3/5) \div (4/5)$

First convert the given mixed fractions into improper fraction

$$4(3/5) = (23/5)$$

$$(23/5) \div (4/5) = (23 \times 5)/(5 \times 4)$$

- =(23/4)
- = 5 (3/4)

(iii) Given 5 $(4/7) \div 1 (3/10)$

First convert the given mixed fractions into improper fraction (39/7) and (13/10)

$$(39/7) \div (13/10) = (39 \times 10) / (7 \times 13)$$

- =(390/91)
- =(30/7)
- = 4 (2/7)

(iv) Given $4 \div 2 (2/5)$

First convert the given mixed fractions into improper fraction

$$4 \div (12/5) = (4 \times 5)/12$$

- =(20/12)
- = 1 (2/3)

5. A wire of length 12 (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(1/2) = (25/2) m

It is cut into 10 pieces, so length of one piece is

- =(25/2)/10
- = (25/20)
- = (5/4)
- = 1 (1/4) m
- 6. The length of rectangular plot of area 65 (1/3) m² is 12 (1/4) m. What is the width of



the plot?

Solution:

Given area of rectangular plot is 65 (1/3) m^2 = (196/3) m^2 Length of the same plot is 12 (1/4) m = (49/4) mWidth of the plot is Area = length × breadth (196/3) = (25/2) × breadth Breadth = (196/3)/ (25/2) = (196 × 4)/ (49 × 3) = (184/147) = 5 (3/4)

7. By what number should 6 (2/9) be multiplied to get 4 (4/9)?

Solution:

Let x be the number which needs to be multiplied by 6(2/9) = (56/9)

$$x \times (56/9) = 4 (4/9)$$

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

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

$$x = (40/56)$$

$$x = (5/7)$$

8. The product of two numbers is 25 (5/6). If one of the numbers is 6 (2/3), find the other.

Solution:

Given product of two numbers is 25 (5/6) = (155/6)

One of the number is 6(2/3) = (20/3)

Let the other number be x

$$(155/6) = x \times (20/3)$$

$$x = (3/20) \times (155/6)$$

$$x = (31/8)$$

$$x = 3 (7/8)$$

9. The cost of 6 (1/4) kg of apples is Rs 400. At what rate per kg are the apples being sold?



Solution:

The cost of 6 (1/4) kg = (25/4) of apples is Rs 400 Cost of apple per kg is = (25/4) /400 = $(4/25) \times 400$ = Rs 64

10. By selling oranges at the rate of Rs 5 (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 (1/4) = (21/4) He got Rs 630 by selling the oranges Number of dozens of oranges sold by him for Rs 630 is = (4/21) × 630 = 120 apples But we know that 1 dozen = 12 120 apples means 10 dozens

11. In mid-day meal scheme (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 (3/10) liter of milk is given to each student Number of student given (3/10) liter of milk = 1 Number of students giving 1 liter of milk = (10/3)Numbers of students giving 30 liters of milk = $(10/3) \times 30 = 100$ students

12. In a charity show Rs 6496 were collected by selling some tickets. If the price of each ticket was Rs 50 (3/4), how many tickets were sold?

Solution:

Given amount collected by selling tickets = Rs 6496 The price of each ticket is = 50 (3/4) = (203/4)Number of ticket bought at Rs (203/4) = 1Number of tickets bought for Rs 6496 is = $(4/203) \times 6496$ = 4×32 = 128 tickets