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Preview Review



Mathematics Grade 7
**W1 - Lesson 3: Fractions and Mixed
Numbers**

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Materials Required

Math Set
Calculator

**No Textbook
Required**

**This is a stand-
alone course.**

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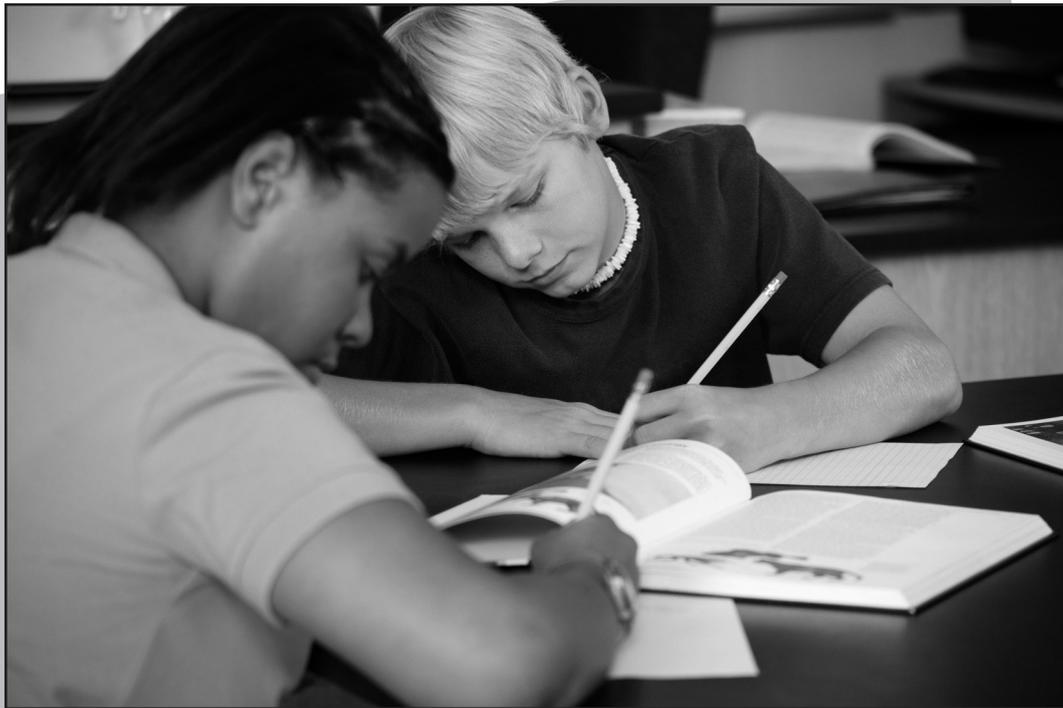
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W1 - Lesson 3:

Fractions and Mixed Numbers

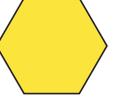
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Warm-up:

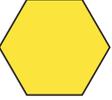
- *I can use pattern blocks to model fractions.*

Fraction Tiles

How many?

1.  are in  ? _____
2.  are in  ? _____
3.  are in  ? _____
4.  are in  ? _____
5.  are in  ? _____

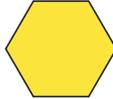
Based on the relationships above,

1. If  = 1.  = _____
2. If  = 1.  = _____
3. If  = 1.  = _____
4. If  = 1.  = _____

Now, try some really fun shapes.

1. If  +  = 1, what is  ? _____

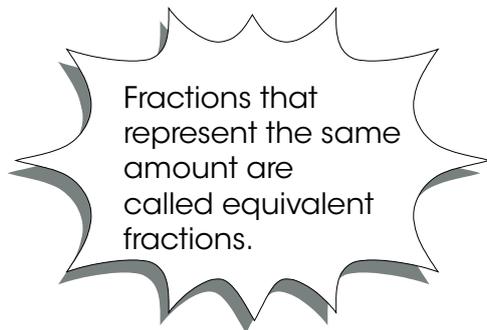
2. If  +  = 1, what is  +  ? _____

3. If  +  = 1, what is  +  ? _____

4. If  +  = 1, what is  ? _____

5. If  -  = 1, what is  +  ? _____

Equivalent Fractions



Example: Write three equivalent fractions for $\frac{2}{3}$.

$$\begin{array}{c} \times 2 \\ \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6} \\ \times 2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \times 3 \\ \frac{2}{3} = \frac{6}{9} \\ \times 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \times 4 \\ \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12} \\ \times 4 \end{array}$$

$\frac{4}{6}$, $\frac{6}{9}$, and $\frac{8}{12}$ are all equivalent fractions of $\frac{2}{3}$.

Multiplying or dividing the numerator **and** denominator by the **same number** can generate an unlimited number of equivalent fractions.

Practice

Fill in the blanks to complete the equivalent fractions.

a. $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{\quad}{15}$

b. $\frac{1}{7} = \frac{\quad}{21}$

c. $\frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{\quad}$

d. $\frac{5}{12} = \frac{10}{\quad}$

e. $\frac{7}{11} = \frac{\quad}{33}$

f. $\frac{6}{18} = \frac{\quad}{9}$

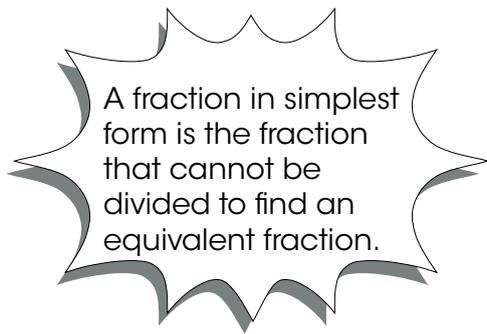
g. $\frac{8}{20} = \frac{\quad}{5}$

h. $\frac{33}{99} = \frac{1}{\quad}$

i. $\frac{2}{\quad} = \frac{4}{10}$

j. $\frac{3}{\quad} = \frac{21}{28}$

Reducing Fractions to Simplest Form



Example: Write the fractions in lowest terms.

a. $\frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4}$

The diagram shows the fraction $\frac{9}{12}$ with a horizontal arrow above it labeled $\div 3$ pointing from 9 to 3, and a horizontal arrow below it labeled $\div 3$ pointing from 12 to 4.

9 and 12 are both divisible by 3.

The simplest form of $\frac{9}{12}$ is $\frac{3}{4}$.

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

Because 7 and 12 do not have any numbers by which they are **both** divisible, the fraction is already in its simplest form.

A fraction in **simplest form** is also known as a **reduced fraction** or a fraction expressed in **lowest terms**.

Answers should always be given in **lowest terms**.

Practice

Express each fraction in lowest terms.

a. $\frac{2}{4} = \text{---}$

b. $\frac{4}{12} = \text{---}$

c. $\frac{6}{9} = \text{---}$

d. $\frac{5}{15} = \text{---}$

e. $\frac{7}{21} = \text{---}$

f. $\frac{10}{18} = \text{---}$

g. $\frac{8}{24} = \text{---}$

h. $\frac{50}{100} = \text{---}$

i. $\frac{3}{12} = \text{---}$

j. $\frac{5}{25} = \text{---}$

Objective:

- *I can add and subtract fractions with the same denominators..*

Adding fractions with the same denominator

Keep the denominator the same; add the numerators.

Example: $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4} =$
 $1 + 2 = 3$ Therefore, $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$

Subtracting fractions with the same denominator.

Keep the denominator the same; subtract the numerators.

Example: $\frac{7}{12} - \frac{3}{12} =$
 $7 - 3 = 4$ Therefore, $\frac{7}{12} - \frac{3}{12} = \frac{4}{12}$

Practice

Solve. Express your answers in lowest terms..

a. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} =$

b. $\frac{1}{7} + \frac{5}{7} =$

c. $\frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{9} =$

d. $\frac{5}{10} + \frac{3}{10} =$

e. $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{3}{6} =$

f. $\frac{11}{20} + \frac{5}{20} =$

g. $\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} =$

h. $\frac{10}{12} - \frac{8}{12} =$

i. $\frac{17}{21} - \frac{8}{21} =$

j. $\frac{13}{15} - \frac{3}{15} =$

k. $\frac{9}{10} - \frac{5}{10} =$

l. $\frac{7}{9} - \frac{2}{9} =$

Objective:

- *I can add and subtract fractions with the different denominators..*

Example 1: $\frac{7}{8} - \frac{2}{10} =$

You need a common denominator.
8 and 10 are both factors of 40.

Change: $\frac{7}{8} \rightarrow \frac{35}{40}$

Change: $\frac{2}{10} \rightarrow \frac{8}{40}$

Subtract: $\frac{35}{40} - \frac{8}{40} = \frac{27}{40}$

Example 2: $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{12} =$

Common denominator: 12

Change: $\frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{3}{12} =$

Add: $\frac{3}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$

Or
Common denominator: 4

Change: $\frac{3}{12} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}$

Add: $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$

Practice

Solve. Express your answers in lowest terms..

a. $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{7} =$

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

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

d. $\frac{6}{10} + \frac{3}{8} =$

e. $\frac{5}{20} + \frac{5}{8} =$

f. $\frac{3}{21} + \frac{2}{3} =$

g. $\frac{10}{12} - \frac{1}{4} =$

h. $\frac{17}{21} - \frac{5}{7} =$

i. $\frac{9}{10} - \frac{3}{20} =$

j. $\frac{7}{9} - \frac{1}{3} =$

Objective:

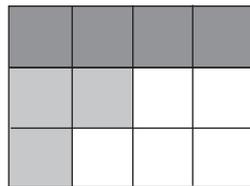
- *I can model the addition and subtraction of fractions.*

Grid Model

Note: Use the columns and rows of a grid to represent different denominators.

Example 1: $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} =$

1 of 3 rows = $\frac{1}{3}$
colour in 4 squares

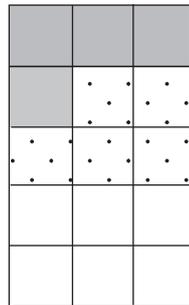


Total squares = 12
Number of shaded squares = 7
Answer = $\frac{7}{12}$

1 of 4 columns = $\frac{1}{4}$
colour in 3 squares

Example 2: $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{3} =$

3 of 5 rows = $\frac{3}{5}$
colour in 9 squares



Total squares = 14
Number of shaded squares left = 4
Answer = $\frac{4}{15}$

1 of 3 columns = $\frac{1}{3}$
erase 5 squares

Practice

Draw the grid that represents best the solution. For this activity you do not need to simplify the fraction.

a. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} =$

b. $\frac{1}{7} + \frac{5}{7} =$

c. $\frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{9} =$

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

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

f. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{10} =$

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

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

i. $\frac{6}{7} - \frac{2}{6} =$

j. $\frac{8}{9} - \frac{4}{6} =$

k. $\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{2} =$

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

Summary and Practice:

- *Using what you learned answer the following questions.*

1. On the chart below, summarize the steps needed to add or subtract fractions with the same denominator and fractions with different denominators.

	Same Denominators	Different Denominators
Steps to add fractions		
Steps to subtract fractions		

2. Express the fractions in lowest terms.

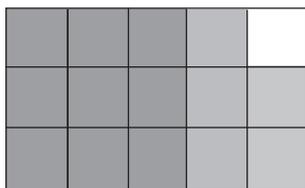
a. $\frac{6}{18}$

b. $\frac{9}{54}$

c. $\frac{16}{48}$

d. $\frac{14}{21}$

3. Using the grid below, write an addition equation represented by the grid.



4. Model using a grid.

a. $\frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{3}$

b. $\frac{9}{10} - \frac{3}{4}$

5. $\frac{1}{3}$ of entries in a pet show are cats. $\frac{1}{2}$ of the entries are dogs.

What fraction of the animals is not a cat or a dog?

6. George spent $\frac{2}{8}$ of his spare time playing video games, $\frac{2}{6}$ practising basketball, $\frac{1}{4}$ practising guitar, and the remainder watching TV. What fraction represents the time he spent watching TV?



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