

Fractions, Decimals, and Rational Numbers

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Quick Review and Helpful Hints

A *rational number* can be written as a fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ of integers. Turn a fraction into a decimal by dividing the top by the bottom. A decimal that *terminates* or *repeats* is rational. To compare, write both numbers in the same form.

▶ **Example:** Write $\frac{3}{4}$ as a decimal. **Work:** Divide the top by the bottom: $3 \div 4 = 0.75$.

★ **Answer:** 0.75



$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5 = 50\%$.

◆ Practice Problems

Convert or compare as directed.

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| <p>1. $\frac{1}{2}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>2. $\frac{3}{4}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>3. $\frac{1}{4}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>4. $\frac{2}{5}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>5. $\frac{1}{5}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>6. 0.5 as a fraction _____</p> <p>7. 0.25 as a fraction _____</p> | <p>8. $\frac{1}{10}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>9. $\frac{3}{5}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>10. 0.75 as a fraction _____</p> <p>11. $\frac{7}{10}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>12. Is 0.5 rational? _____</p> <p>13. $\frac{1}{8}$ as a decimal _____</p> <p>14. 0.2 as a fraction _____</p> |
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◆ Word Problems

15. A pizza is cut and you eat $\frac{3}{4}$ of it. Write that as a decimal. _____
16. A gas tank is filled to 0.5 of its capacity after a commute. What fraction of the tank is full, in simplest form? _____
17. Which is larger, $\frac{1}{2}$ or 0.4? _____
18. Convert $\frac{2}{5}$ to a decimal. _____



Answer Keys

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| 2. <input type="text" value="0.75"/> | 8. <input type="text" value="0.1"/> | 14. <input type="text" value="1/5"/> |
| 3. <input type="text" value="0.25"/> | 9. <input type="text" value="0.6"/> | 15. <input type="text" value="0.75"/> |
| 4. <input type="text" value="0.4"/> | 10. <input type="text" value="3/4"/> | 16. <input type="text" value="1/2"/> |
| 5. <input type="text" value="0.2"/> | 11. <input type="text" value="0.7"/> | 17. <input type="text" value="1/2"/> |
| 6. <input type="text" value="1/2"/> | 12. <input type="text" value="Yes"/> | 18. <input type="text" value="0.4"/> |

Step-by-Step Explanations

1. Start by naming the process: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $1 \div 2 = 0.5$. So the final answer is 0.5.

2. A good way to think about this is: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $3 \div 4 = 0.75$. So the final answer is 0.75.

3. Step by step: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $1 \div 4 = 0.25$. So the final answer is 0.25.

4. Take it one move at a time: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $2 \div 5 = 0.4$. So the final answer is 0.4.

5. Start by naming the process: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $1 \div 5 = 0.2$. So the final answer is 0.2.

6. A good way to think about this is: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $0.5 = \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$. So the final answer is $\frac{1}{2}$.

7. Step by step: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $0.25 = \frac{25}{100} = \frac{1}{4}$. So the final answer is $\frac{1}{4}$.

8. Take it one move at a time: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $1 \div 10 = 0.1$. So the final answer is 0.1.

9. Start by naming the process: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $3 \div 5 = 0.6$. So the final answer is 0.6.

10. A good way to think about this is: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $0.75 = \frac{75}{100} = \frac{3}{4}$. So the final answer is $\frac{3}{4}$.

11. Step by step: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $7 \div 10 = 0.7$. So the final answer is 0.7.

12. Take it one move at a time: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is It terminates, so yes, rational. So the final answer is Yes.

13. Start by naming the process: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $1 \div 8 = 0.125$. So the final answer is 0.125.

14. A good way to think about this is: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $0.2 = \frac{2}{10} = \frac{1}{5}$. So the final answer is $\frac{1}{5}$.

15. Step by step: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $3 \div 4 = 0.75$. So the final answer is 0.75.

16. Take it one move at a time: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $0.5 = \frac{1}{2}$. So the final answer is $\frac{1}{2}$.

17. Start by naming the process: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $\frac{1}{2} = 0.5 > 0.4$. So the final answer is $\frac{1}{2}$.

18. A good way to think about this is: Read what the problem is asking, choose the matching rule, write the setup, and then simplify one step at a time. The setup/work is $2 \div 5 = 0.4$. So the final answer is 0.4.



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