

# **Grade 8 – Book B**

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## Chapter B1

### Rational numbers – common fractions

#### B1.1 Number systems:

Complete:

Rational numbers:  $\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}; b \neq 0 \right\}$

Remember the properties of 1: (i)  $a \times 1 = a$

(ii)  $\frac{a}{1} = a$

(iii)  $\frac{a}{a} = 1$

#### B1.2 Equivalent fractions:

E.g.1 Write two equivalent fractions for  $\frac{1}{2}$ :

$$\frac{1 \times 3}{2 \times 3} = \frac{3}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1 \times 5}{2 \times 5} = \frac{5}{10} \quad [\text{These are possible answers!}]$$

Exercise 1:

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(1) Write three equivalent fractions for each of the following rational numbers:

*These are possible answers!*

(a)  $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{6}{9} = \frac{10}{15}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{8} = \frac{10}{40} = \frac{100}{400}$

(c)  $\frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-2}{6} = \frac{-5}{15} = \frac{-4}{12}$

(d)  $\frac{2}{5} = \frac{-4}{-10} = \frac{6}{15} = \frac{20}{50}$

(e)  $\frac{2}{-7} = \frac{10}{-35} = \frac{-20}{70} = \frac{16}{-56}$

(f)  $\frac{-4}{3} = \frac{-8}{6} = \frac{-12}{9} = \frac{-20}{15}$

(g)  $\frac{1}{6} = \frac{2}{12} = \frac{3}{18} = \frac{11}{66}$

(h)  $\frac{3}{2} = \frac{21}{14} = 1 \frac{1}{2} = \frac{30}{20}$

(i)  $\frac{10}{14} = \frac{5}{7} = \frac{20}{28} = \frac{-15}{-21}$

(j)  $\frac{-36}{-9} = \frac{36}{9} = \frac{4}{1} = \frac{12}{3}$

(k)  $2 \frac{6}{11} = 2 \frac{12}{22} = \frac{28}{11} = 2 \frac{24}{44}$

(l)  $3 = \frac{3}{1} = \frac{6}{2} = \frac{30}{10}$

(2) Are the following equivalent fractions or not? (Answer only yes or no.)

(a)  $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{7}{14}$  Yes

(b)  $\frac{3}{7} = \frac{7}{3}$  No

(c)  $\frac{5}{-2} = \frac{10}{4}$  No

(d)  $\frac{-3}{-5} = \frac{9}{15}$  Yes

(e)  $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6}$  No

(f)  $\frac{3}{1} = \frac{48}{16}$  Yes

(g)  $\frac{4}{-3} = \frac{-12}{9}$  Yes

(h)  $\frac{25}{10} = \frac{5}{2}$  Yes

(i)  $\frac{5}{4} = \frac{25}{16}$  No

(3) Complete the following equivalent fractions:

(a)  $\frac{3}{8} \stackrel{\times 3}{=} \frac{9}{24}$

(b)  $\frac{12}{14} = \frac{6}{7} \stackrel{\times 2}{\div 2}$

(c)  $\frac{3}{3} \times \frac{-2}{9} = \frac{-6}{27}$

(d)  $\frac{5}{6} = \frac{35 \div 7}{42 \div 7}$

(e)  $\frac{-3}{-4} = \frac{12 \div -4}{16 \div -4}$

(f)  $\frac{4}{3} \stackrel{\times 3}{=} 1 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{12}{9}$

(g)  $\frac{3 \div -6}{33} = \frac{-4}{22}$   
 $\frac{3 \div -6}{33} \rightarrow \frac{-2}{11} \xrightarrow{\times 2} \frac{-4}{22}$

(h)  $3 \frac{2}{5} = \frac{-34}{-10}$   
 $\frac{17}{5} \times \frac{-2}{-2}$

(i)  $\frac{6}{6} = \frac{11}{11} = 1$



### B1.3 Arrange rational numbers:

E.g.2 (a) Arrange in ascending order :  $\frac{1}{2}$  ;  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{6}{12} \quad ; \quad \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{12} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} < \frac{2}{3} < \frac{3}{4}$$

(b) Write a rational number between  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$ :

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{12} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{3} < \frac{5}{12} \text{ or } \frac{6}{12} \text{ or } \frac{7}{12} \text{ or } \frac{8}{12} < \frac{3}{4}$$

#### Exercise 2:

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(1) Arrange the following fractions in ascending order:

(a)  $\frac{5}{6}$  ;  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{6} = \frac{50}{60} \quad , \quad \frac{3}{4} = \frac{45}{60} \quad , \quad \frac{4}{5} = \frac{48}{60}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{4} < \frac{4}{5} < \frac{5}{6}$$

(b)  $\frac{2}{3}$  ;  $\frac{5}{7}$  and  $\frac{4}{6}$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{3} = \frac{28}{42} \quad , \quad \frac{5}{7} = \frac{30}{42} \quad , \quad \frac{4}{6} = \frac{28}{42}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6} < \frac{5}{7}$$

(c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  ;  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{5}{6}$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{6} \quad , \quad \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6} \quad , \quad \frac{5}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} < \frac{2}{3} < \frac{5}{6}$$

(d)  $\frac{-3}{7}$  ;  $\frac{-1}{3}$  and  $\frac{-2}{5}$

$$\therefore \frac{-3}{7} = \frac{-45}{105} \quad , \quad \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-35}{105} \quad , \quad \frac{-2}{5} = \frac{-42}{105}$$

$$\therefore \frac{-3}{7} < \frac{-2}{5} < \frac{-1}{3}$$

(2) Arrange the following fractions in descending order:

(a)  $\frac{3}{8}$  ;  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{5}{6}$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{8} = \frac{9}{24} \quad , \quad \frac{2}{3} = \frac{16}{24} \quad , \quad \frac{5}{6} = \frac{20}{24}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{6} > \frac{2}{3} > \frac{3}{8}$$

(b)  $\frac{3}{5}$  ;  $\frac{5}{7}$  and  $\frac{6}{8}$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{5} = \frac{84}{140} \quad , \quad \frac{5}{7} = \frac{100}{140} \quad , \quad \frac{6}{8} = \frac{105}{140}$$

$$\therefore \frac{6}{8} > \frac{5}{7} > \frac{3}{5}$$

(c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  ;  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{3}{5}$

$$\frac{-1}{2} = \frac{-15}{30} \quad , \quad \frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-20}{30} \quad , \quad \frac{-3}{5} = \frac{-18}{30}$$

$$\frac{-1}{2} > \frac{-3}{5} > \frac{-2}{3}$$

(d)  $\frac{2}{4}$  ;  $\frac{6}{12}$  and  $\frac{-5}{-10}$

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{30}{60} \quad , \quad \frac{6}{12} = \frac{30}{60} \quad , \quad \frac{-5}{-10} = \frac{30}{60}$$

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{-5}{-10}$$

(3) Write one rational number between the following fractions:

(a)  $\frac{5}{6}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{20}{24} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{3}{4} = \frac{18}{24}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{4} < \frac{19}{24} < \frac{5}{6}$$

(b)  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{3}{5}$

$$\frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-5}{15} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{-3}{5} = \frac{-9}{15}$$

$$\frac{-1}{3} > \frac{-7}{15} > \frac{-3}{5}$$

Can also be  $\frac{-6}{15}$  or  $\frac{-8}{15}$



(c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{8}$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{8} \quad \frac{8}{16} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{3}{8} = \frac{6}{16}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{8} < \frac{7}{16} < \frac{1}{2}$$

(e)  $\frac{3}{9}$  and  $\frac{5}{12}$

$$\frac{3}{9} = \frac{-3}{9} = \frac{-12}{36} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{5}{12} = \frac{-5}{12} = \frac{-15}{36}$$

$$\frac{-5}{12} < \frac{-13}{36} < \frac{-3}{9}$$

Can also be:  $\frac{-14}{36}$

(d)  $\frac{6}{7}$  and  $\frac{7}{10}$

$$\frac{6}{7} = \frac{60}{70} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{7}{10} = \frac{49}{70}$$

$$\therefore \frac{7}{10} < \frac{55}{70} < \frac{6}{7}$$

Can also be  $\frac{50}{70}$ , -----  $\frac{59}{70}$

(f)  $\frac{5}{2}$  and 3

$$\frac{5}{2} = \frac{10}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{3}{1} = \frac{6}{2} = \frac{12}{4}$$

$$\frac{5}{2} < \frac{11}{4} < \frac{3}{1}$$

☺ There are four cakes of the same size. Dean eats  $\frac{3}{8}$  of the first cake. Phillip eats  $\frac{4}{9}$  of the second cake. André eats  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the third cake and Mark eats  $\frac{4}{6}$  of the last cake. Whose cake had the most left over?

$$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{27}{72} \rightarrow \text{Dean eats} \rightarrow \therefore \frac{45}{72} \text{ left over.}$$

$$\frac{4}{9} = \frac{32}{72} \rightarrow \text{Phillip eats} \rightarrow \therefore \frac{40}{72} \text{ leftover.}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{36}{72} \rightarrow \text{André eats} \rightarrow \therefore \frac{36}{72} \text{ left over.}$$

$$\frac{4}{6} = \frac{48}{72} \rightarrow \text{Mark eats} \rightarrow \therefore \frac{24}{72} \text{ left over.}$$

$\therefore$  Most left over by Dean.

## B1.4 Addition and subtraction of fractions:

E.g.3 Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{6}{6} + \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{4}{4} - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{3} \\
 &= \frac{6}{12} + \frac{16}{12} - \frac{9}{12} \\
 &= \frac{6 + 16 - 9}{12} \\
 &= \frac{13}{12} \\
 &= 1\frac{1}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad & 3x + \frac{2}{3}y - \frac{3}{5}x + 1\frac{3}{4}y \\
 &= \frac{3}{1}x - \frac{3}{5}x + \frac{2}{3}y + \frac{7}{4}y \\
 &= \frac{5}{5} \times \frac{3}{1}x - \frac{3}{5}x + \frac{4}{4} \times \frac{2}{3}y + \frac{3}{3} \times \frac{7}{4}y \\
 &= \frac{15}{5}x - \frac{3}{5}x + \frac{8}{12}y + \frac{21}{12}y \\
 &= \frac{15x - 3x}{5} + \frac{8y + 21y}{12} \\
 &= \frac{12x}{5} + \frac{29y}{12} = 2\frac{2}{5}x + 2\frac{5}{12}y
 \end{aligned}$$





## Exercise 3:

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Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \frac{5}{5} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{3} \\
 &= \frac{5}{15} + \frac{12}{15} \\
 &= \frac{17}{15} \\
 &= 1 \frac{2}{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad & \frac{5}{5} \times \frac{3}{7} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{7}{7} \\
 &= \frac{15}{35} - \frac{21}{35} \\
 &= \frac{-6}{35}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad & \frac{1}{4} + 1\frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{8} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{5}{8} \\
 &= \frac{2}{8} + \frac{12}{8} - \frac{5}{8} \\
 &= \frac{9}{8} = 1 \frac{1}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad & 2\frac{7}{10} + 3\frac{9}{10} \\
 &= \frac{27}{10} + \frac{39}{10} \\
 &= \frac{66}{10} \\
 &= 6 \frac{6}{10} \\
 &= 6 \frac{3}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & 2\frac{1}{3} - 3 \\
 &= \frac{7}{3} - \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{3}{3} \\
 &= \frac{7}{3} - \frac{9}{3} \\
 &= \frac{-2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6) \quad & -1\frac{2}{5} + 2\frac{1}{10} \\
 &= \frac{-7}{5} + \frac{21}{10} \\
 &= \frac{-14}{10} + \frac{21}{10} \\
 &= \frac{-14+21}{10} \\
 &= \frac{7}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (7) \quad & \frac{5}{8} + \frac{7}{12} \\
 &= \frac{15}{24} + \frac{14}{24} \\
 &= \frac{15+14}{24} \\
 &= \frac{29}{24} \\
 &= 1 \frac{5}{24}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \quad & \frac{1}{5} - 2\frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{6} \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} - \frac{8}{3} - \frac{5}{6} \\
 &= \frac{6}{30} - \frac{80}{30} - \frac{25}{30} \\
 &= \frac{-99}{30} \\
 &= -3 \frac{9}{30} = -3 \frac{3}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9) \quad & 4\frac{4}{5} - 3\frac{7}{10} \\
 &= \frac{24}{5} - \frac{37}{10} \\
 &= \frac{48}{10} - \frac{37}{10} \\
 &= \frac{11}{10} \\
 &= 1 \frac{1}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (10) \quad & \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3} \\
 &= \frac{9}{12} + \frac{8}{12} \\
 &= \frac{17}{12} \\
 &= 1 \frac{5}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (11) \quad & 4\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{5}{6} \\
 &= \frac{9}{2} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{5}{6} \\
 &= \frac{135}{30} - \frac{12}{30} + \frac{25}{30} \\
 &= \frac{148}{30} \\
 &= 4 \frac{28}{30} = 4 \frac{14}{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (12) \quad & \left(\frac{3}{7} - \frac{2}{6}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{7}\right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{18}{42} - \frac{14}{42}\right) - \left(\frac{7}{21} + \frac{3}{21}\right) \\
 &= \frac{4}{42} - \frac{10}{21} \\
 &= \frac{4}{42} - \frac{20}{42} \\
 &= \frac{-16}{42} = -\frac{8}{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (13) \quad & \frac{3}{8}p - \frac{3}{4}p \\
 &= \frac{3p}{8} - \frac{3p}{4} \\
 &= \frac{3p}{8} - \frac{6p}{8} \\
 &= \frac{-3p}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (14) \quad & \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \frac{2}{12} - \frac{4}{12} - \frac{3}{12} \\
 &= \frac{-5}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (15) \quad & \left(6 - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} - 1\right) \\
 & = \left(\frac{24}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{5}{5}\right) \\
 & = \frac{23}{4} + \frac{-4}{5} \\
 & = \frac{115}{20} - \frac{16}{20} \\
 & = \frac{99}{20} = 4 \frac{19}{20}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (17) \quad & \frac{1}{12} - 15\frac{3}{8} + 1 \\
 & = \frac{1}{12} - \frac{123}{8} + \frac{1}{1} \\
 & = \frac{2}{24} - \frac{369}{24} + \frac{24}{24} \\
 & = \frac{-343}{24} \\
 & = -14 \frac{7}{24}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (19) \quad & 8 - 2\frac{1}{9} + \frac{7}{3} \\
 & = \frac{8}{1} - \frac{19}{9} + \frac{7}{3} \\
 & = \frac{72}{9} - \frac{19}{9} + \frac{21}{9} \\
 & = \frac{74}{9} \\
 & = 8 \frac{2}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (21) \quad & \frac{1}{2}p - 3q + 7\frac{1}{4}p - \frac{1}{3}q \\
 & = \frac{1p}{2} - \frac{3q}{1} + \frac{29p}{4} - \frac{1q}{3} \\
 & = \frac{6p}{12} - \frac{36q}{12} + \frac{87p}{12} - \frac{4q}{12} \\
 & = \frac{6p - 36q + 87p - 4q}{12} \\
 & = \frac{93p - 40q}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (23) \quad & 1\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{2}{3} + 3\frac{1}{6} \\
 & = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{8}{3} + \frac{19}{6} \\
 & = \frac{9}{6} + \frac{16}{6} + \frac{19}{6} \\
 & = \frac{44}{6} \\
 & = 7 \frac{2}{6} = 7 \frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

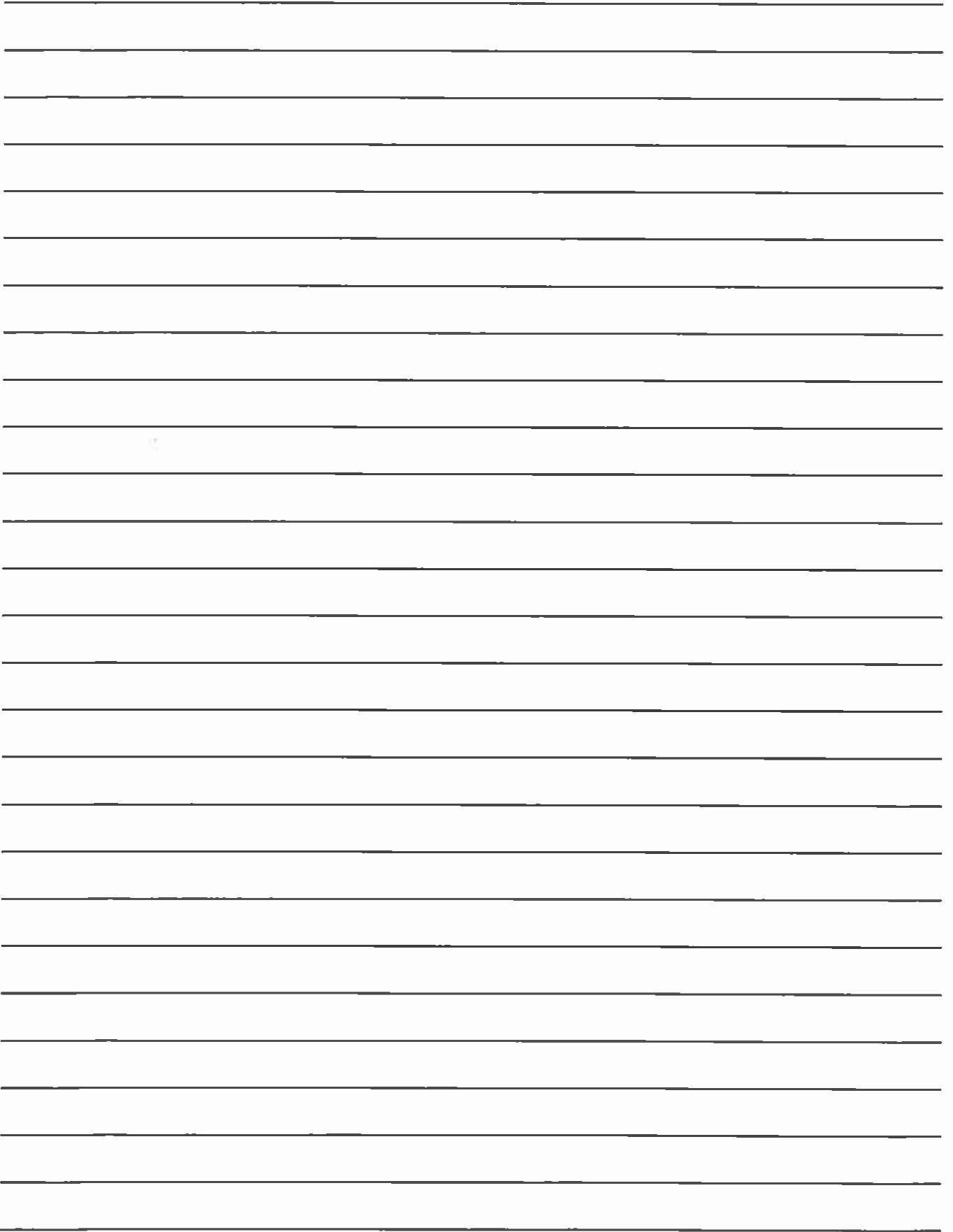
$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad & \frac{4}{3} + \frac{6}{5} - \frac{5}{4} \\
 & = \frac{80}{60} + \frac{72}{60} - \frac{75}{60} \\
 & = \frac{77}{60} \\
 & = 1 \frac{17}{60}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (18) \quad & \frac{3}{5} - \left(3\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{4}{6} \\
 & = \frac{3}{5} - \left(\frac{10}{3} + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{4}{6} \\
 & = \frac{3}{5} - \left(\frac{20}{6} + \frac{3}{6}\right) - \frac{4}{6} \\
 & = \frac{18}{30} - \frac{115}{30} - \frac{20}{30} \\
 & = \frac{-117}{30} = -3 \frac{27}{30} = -3 \frac{9}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (20) \quad & \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{6}x \\
 & = \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{1x}{6} \\
 & = \frac{4x}{6} + \frac{1x}{6} \\
 & = \frac{4x + 1x}{6} \\
 & = \frac{5x}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (22) \quad & -3\frac{1}{5} - \left(-\frac{7}{10}\right) \\
 & = \frac{-16}{5} + \frac{7}{10} \\
 & = \frac{-32}{10} + \frac{7}{10} \\
 & = \frac{-25}{10} \\
 & = -2 \frac{5}{10} = -2 \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (24) \quad & 4\frac{1}{2}y + 3\frac{1}{4}y - 2\frac{2}{3}y \\
 & = \frac{9}{2}y + \frac{13}{4}y - \frac{8}{3}y \\
 & = \frac{54}{12}y + \frac{39}{12}y - \frac{32}{12}y \\
 & = \frac{61y}{12} \\
 & = 5 \frac{1}{12}y
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (25) \quad & \frac{3}{5}m + \frac{4}{6}m \\
 &= \frac{3m}{5} + \frac{4m}{6} \\
 &= \frac{18m}{30} + \frac{20m}{30} \\
 &= \frac{38m}{30} \\
 &= 1\frac{8}{30}m = 1\frac{4}{15}m
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (27) \quad & \frac{-10}{11}xy + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}xy \\
 &= \frac{-10xy}{11} + \frac{1x}{2} + \frac{1xy}{2} \\
 &= \frac{-20xy}{22} + \frac{11x}{22} + \frac{11xy}{22} \\
 &= \frac{-20xy + 11x + 11xy}{22} \\
 &= \frac{-9xy + 11x}{22}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (29) \quad & \left(3\frac{1}{4} - 2\frac{1}{5}\right) - 2\frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \left(\frac{13}{4} - \frac{11}{5}\right) - \frac{9}{4} \\
 &= \left(\frac{65}{20} - \frac{44}{20}\right) - \frac{9}{4} \\
 &= \frac{21}{20} - \frac{45}{20} \\
 &= \frac{-24}{20} = -1\frac{4}{20} = -1\frac{1}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (26) \quad & 6\frac{3}{4} - \left(2\frac{1}{3} - 1\frac{1}{3}\right) \\
 &= \frac{27}{4} - \left(\frac{7}{3} - \frac{4}{3}\right) \\
 &= \frac{27}{4} - \frac{3}{3} \\
 &= 6\frac{3}{4} - 1 \\
 &= 5\frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (28) \quad & 25\frac{3}{20} - 33\frac{3}{20} \\
 &= -8
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (30) \quad & \frac{3}{4}m - \frac{1}{2}k + \frac{1}{2}k + \frac{3}{4}m \\
 &= \frac{3m}{4} - \frac{1k}{2} + \frac{1k}{2} + \frac{3m}{4} \\
 &= \frac{3m}{4} - \frac{2k}{4} + \frac{2k}{4} + \frac{3m}{4} \\
 &= \frac{3m - 2k + 2k + 3m}{4} \\
 &= \frac{6m}{4} = \frac{3m}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

E.g.4 Simplify: (a)  $\frac{2}{3x} + \frac{6}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2}{3x} + \frac{6}{x} \times \frac{3}{3} \\
 &= \frac{2 + 18}{3x} = \frac{20}{3x}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $\frac{y}{2} - \frac{y^2}{5}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{y}{2} \times \frac{5}{5} - \frac{y^2}{5} \times \frac{2}{2} \\
 &= \frac{5y - 2y^2}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

#### Exercise 4:

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Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \frac{m}{2} + \frac{2m}{3} \\
 &= \frac{3m}{6} + \frac{4m}{6} \\
 &= \frac{7m}{6} \\
 &= 1\frac{1}{6}m
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad & \frac{5}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2} \\
 &= \frac{5x}{x^2} - \frac{3}{x^2} \\
 &= \frac{5x - 3}{x^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad & \frac{2y}{5} - \frac{y^2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{12y}{30} - \frac{10y^2}{30} - \frac{15}{30} \\
 &= \frac{12y - 10y^2 - 15}{30}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad & -\frac{1}{4}g + \frac{2}{3}g \\
 &= \frac{-1g}{4} + \frac{2g}{3} \\
 &= \frac{-3g}{12} + \frac{8g}{12} \\
 &= \frac{5g}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & k - 4 - \frac{2}{k^2} \\
 &= \frac{k^3}{k^2} - \frac{4k^2}{k^2} - \frac{2}{k^2} \\
 &= \frac{k^3 - 4k^2 - 2}{k^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6) \quad & \frac{2}{2} \times \frac{2}{x} + \frac{x}{2} \times \frac{x}{x} \\
 &= \frac{4}{2x} + \frac{x^2}{2x} \\
 &= \frac{4 + x^2}{2x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (7) \quad & \frac{3}{a} - \frac{2}{c} + 1 \\
 &= \frac{3c}{ac} - \frac{2a}{ac} + \frac{ac}{ac} \\
 &= \frac{3c - 2a + ac}{ac}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \quad & \frac{-x^2}{5} + \frac{x}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{-4x^2}{20} + \frac{5x}{20} - \frac{10}{20} \\
 &= \frac{-4x^2 + 5x - 10}{20}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9) \quad & c + \frac{3c}{7} - 2 \\
 &= \frac{c}{1} + \frac{3c}{7} - \frac{2}{1} \\
 &= \frac{7c}{7} + \frac{3c}{7} - \frac{14}{7} \\
 &= \frac{7c + 3c - 14}{7} \\
 &= \frac{10c - 14}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (10) \quad & \frac{5}{x} - \frac{3}{xy} \\
 &= \frac{5y}{xy} - \frac{3}{xy} \\
 &= \frac{5y - 3}{xy}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (11) \quad & \frac{-2}{3p} + \frac{5}{2p} \\
 &= \frac{-4}{6p} + \frac{15}{6p} \\
 &= \frac{-4 + 15}{6p} \\
 &= \frac{11}{6p}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (12) \quad & \frac{4k}{7} - k \\
 &= \frac{4k}{7} - \frac{k}{1} \\
 &= \frac{4k}{7} - \frac{7k}{7} \\
 &= \frac{-3k}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

☺ Complete the next three terms in the sequence:  $1\frac{3}{4}$ ;  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ;  $2\frac{3}{4}$ ;  $3\frac{1}{4}$ ;  $3\frac{3}{4}$ ;  $4\frac{1}{4}$

Can you predict the hundredth term? Write it down.  $51\frac{1}{4}$





**B1.5 Multiplication and division:**

E.g.5 Simplify:

$$(a) \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{8}{12}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{2}^1}{3} \times \frac{8}{\cancel{12}^6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{8^1}{6^1}$$

$$= \frac{4}{9}$$

$$(b) 1\frac{1}{3} \div \frac{4}{15}$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{15}{4}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{4}^1}{3^1} \times \frac{15^1}{\cancel{4}^1}$$

$$= \underline{5}$$

**Exercise 5:**

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Simplify:

$$(1) \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(2) \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{7}{2} = \frac{14}{5} = 2\frac{4}{5}$$

$$(3) \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{9}{2} = \frac{15}{2} = 7\frac{1}{2}$$

$$(4) \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{5}{9} = \frac{20}{63}$$

$$(5) \frac{18}{5} \times \frac{15}{16} = \frac{9}{20}$$

$$(6) \frac{18}{7} \times \frac{14}{1} = 36$$

$$(7) \frac{4}{5} \div \frac{3}{5} = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{3} = \frac{4}{3} = 1\frac{1}{3}$$

$$(8) 1\frac{6}{7} \text{ of } 4\frac{2}{3} = \frac{13}{7} \times \frac{14}{3} = \frac{26}{3} = 8\frac{2}{3}$$

$$(9) 2 \div \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2}{1} \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{8}{3} = 2\frac{2}{3}$$

$$(10) 2\frac{4}{5} \div 4\frac{1}{5} = \frac{14}{5} \div \frac{21}{5} = \frac{14^2}{5^1} \times \frac{5^1}{21 \times 3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$(11) 6 \div 2\frac{1}{4} = \frac{6}{1} \div \frac{9}{4} = \frac{6^2}{1} \times \frac{4}{9 \times 3} = \frac{8}{3} = 2\frac{2}{3}$$

$$(12) 2\frac{2}{3} \times 1\frac{1}{5} \times 3\frac{3}{4} = \frac{8}{3} \times \frac{6}{5} \times \frac{15}{4} = 12$$

$$(13) 6\frac{7}{8} \div 5 = \frac{55}{8} \div \frac{5}{1} = \frac{55}{8} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{11}{8} = 1\frac{3}{8}$$

$$(14) \frac{-3}{9} \times 2\frac{1}{4} = \frac{-3}{9} \times \frac{9}{4} = \frac{-3}{4}$$

$$(15) -2\frac{2}{3} \div 4\frac{1}{2} = \frac{-8}{3} \div \frac{9}{2} = \frac{-8}{3} \times \frac{2}{9} = \frac{-16}{27}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad & 5\frac{1}{7} \text{ of } \left(-2\frac{3}{4}\right) \div \frac{-5}{14} \\
 &= \frac{36}{7} \times \frac{-11}{4} \div \frac{-5}{14} \\
 &= \frac{369}{71} \times \frac{-11}{41} \times \frac{14^2}{-5} \\
 &= \frac{-198}{-5} = 39\frac{3}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (17) \quad & 6\frac{1}{4} \times \left(3\frac{3}{5} \div 3\frac{3}{4}\right) \\
 &= \frac{25}{4} \times \left(\frac{18}{5} \div \frac{15}{4}\right) \\
 &= \frac{25}{4} \times \frac{18}{5} \times \frac{4}{15} \\
 &= \frac{18}{3} = 6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (18) \quad & \frac{1}{3} \div \left(\frac{3}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}\right) \div 2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \div \frac{1}{3} \div \frac{2}{1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (19) \quad & \frac{1}{3} \div \frac{-1}{6} \div 1\frac{3}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{6}{-1} \div \frac{8}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1}{31} \times \frac{6^2}{-1} \times \frac{5}{84} \\
 &= \frac{5}{-4} \\
 &= -1\frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

E.g.6 Simplify

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad & \frac{4b}{12a} \times \frac{24a}{8b} \\
 &= \frac{14b}{12a} \times \frac{24a}{8b} \\
 &= \frac{2}{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad & \frac{4y^2}{3} \div \frac{2y}{x} \\
 &= \frac{4y^2}{3} \times \frac{x}{2y} \\
 &= \frac{2y \cdot y}{3} \times \frac{x}{2y} \\
 &= \frac{2xy}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 6:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \frac{6^2}{1} \times \frac{m}{9 \cdot 3} \\
 &= \frac{2m}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad & \frac{4p^2}{31} \times \frac{6}{8A}^2 \\
 &= \frac{2p}{2} \\
 &= p
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad & \frac{gh}{k} \div \frac{h}{gk} \\
 &= \frac{gh}{k} \times \frac{gk}{h} \\
 &= g^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad & \frac{-5x^2y}{81} \times \frac{16y}{3x} \\
 &= \frac{-25x^2y}{ae} \\
 &= -25xy
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & \frac{3p}{4q} \div \frac{-27}{2q} \\
 &= \frac{13p}{24q} \times \frac{2q}{-27q} \\
 &= \frac{p}{-18}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6) \quad & \frac{7m}{12n} \div \frac{14mn}{3} \\
 &= \frac{7m}{4 \cdot 12n} \times \frac{3}{14mn} \\
 &= \frac{1}{8n^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

