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Ratio and Proportion Review

When you say "I got 21 out of 24 questions correct on the last quiz," you are comparing two numbers. The **ratio** of your correct questions to the total number of questions is 21 to 24. You can write the ratio as 21:24, as a fraction ($\frac{21}{24}$), or as a decimal (0.875).

1. Use the information below about students in one of Mrs. Pearl's classes

	Eye Color			
	Brown eyes	Blue Eyes	Hazel Eyes	Total:
Males	9	3	2	14
Females	11	4	1	16
Total:	20	7	3	30

Write these ratios as fractions.

- a.) Males with brown eyes to males. $\frac{9}{14}$ or 9:14
- b.) Females with brown eyes to students with brown eyes. $\frac{11}{20}$ or 11:20
- c.) Females with blue eyes to males with blue eyes. $\frac{4}{3}$ or 4:3
- d.) All students with hazel eyes to all students. $\frac{3}{30}$ or 3:30

A **proportion** is an *equation* stating that two *ratios* are equal. For example, $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$ is a proportion.

One way to check that a proportion is true is by finding the decimal equivalents of each side.

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12} \Rightarrow \bar{.6} = \bar{.6}$$

but...

$$\frac{3}{8} \neq \frac{2}{12} \Rightarrow 0.375 \neq .\bar{16}$$

2. Check each proportion by converting each ratio into a decimal.

a. $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{21}{35} \Rightarrow .6 = .6$ are they equal? yes

b. $\frac{5}{15} = \frac{2}{6} \Rightarrow .\bar{3} = .\bar{3}$ are they equal? yes

c. $\frac{1}{4} = \frac{24}{100} \Rightarrow .25 \neq .24$ are they equal? no

d. $\frac{6}{1} = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow 6 \neq .\bar{1}$ are they equal? no

e. $\frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{16} \Rightarrow .25 = .25$ are they equal? yes

In algebra, a **variable** can stand for an unknown number. In the proportion $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{x}{6}$, the letter x can only be replaced by one unique number in order for the proportion to be true. That number is unknown until the proportion is solved.

3. Solve each equation. Make sure to show your work!

a. ~~$\frac{21}{35} = \frac{x}{20}$~~

$$35x = (21)(20)$$

$$35x = 420$$

$$\boxed{x = 12}$$

b. ~~$\frac{35}{21} = \frac{20}{x}$~~

$$(21)(20) = 35x$$

$$420 = 35x$$

$$\boxed{x = 12}$$

c. ~~$\frac{x}{30} = \frac{30}{200}$~~

$$(30)(30) = 200x$$

$$900 = 200x$$

$$\boxed{x = 4.5}$$

d. ~~$\frac{30}{x} = \frac{200}{30}$~~

$$200x = (30)(30)$$

$$200x = 900$$

$$\boxed{x = 4.5}$$

Use what you did in #3 to answer #4-8.

4. What do you notice about questions a and b? the numerators + denominators were flipped
5. Did you get the same answer? yes
6. How about questions c and d? the numerators + denominators were flipped
7. Did you get the same answer? yes
8. Why do you think this is? When you cross multiply, you get the same equation both times

Solve the following equations.

9. $\frac{x}{25} = \frac{2x+4}{70}$

$$25(2x+4) = 70x$$

$$50x + 100 = 70x$$

$$100 = 20x$$

$$x = 5$$

10. $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{8}{x-2}$

$$(3)(8) = (x+3)(x-2)$$

$$24 = x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6$$

$$24 = x^2 + x - 6$$

$$0 = x^2 + x - 30$$

$$0 = (x-5)(x+6)$$

$$x-5=0$$

$$x=5$$

$$x+6=0$$

$$x=-6$$

{ 5, -6 }

"a" times "c" adds to "b"

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$1 \cdot -30 = -30$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline -5 & 6 \\ \hline \end{array} = -30^{a \cdot c}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline -5 & 6 \\ \hline \end{array} = 1^b$$

$$\begin{array}{c} -30 \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 6 \quad -5 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline (x & -5) \\ \hline x & x^2 & -5x \\ \hline 6 & 6x & -30 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

In order to solve word problems, you must first **identify the ratio**.

11. Jennifer estimates that two out of every three students will attend the Snow Ball. She knows there are 750 students in her class. Set up and solve a proportion to help her estimate how many people will attend.

Fill in the blanks. Be sure both ratios make the same comparison.

Students who will attend \rightarrow

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{x}{750}$$

Students who are invited \rightarrow

Students who will attend \rightarrow

Students who are invited \rightarrow

$$1500 = 3x$$

$$x = 500$$

How many students should Jennifer expect? 500 people

12. Mrs. Pearl bought 3 apples for \$2.40. At the same price, how much would 10 apples cost?