

Unit 12
Ratios and Percentages

Math Essentials

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Ratios

Ratio: the quotient of two quantities.

$\frac{a}{b}$, or a:b is the ratio of a to b

Example: The ratio of 7 to 8 is $\frac{7}{8}$ or 7:8

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Practice 12.1

Write $\frac{1}{5}$ using two other notations.

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Practice 12.2

There are 7 roses in a vase of 12 flowers.
The rest are daisies.

1. What is the ratio of daisies to roses?
2. What is the ratio of daisies to all flowers in the vase?

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Rates

Rate: a ratio is used to compare two different kinds of measure

Examples:

- He drove the car at 50 mph.
- She drank 5 cups of coffee per day.
- The bananas cost 50 cents per pound.

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Practice 12.3

Round answers to the nearest hundredth.

1. A color printer prints 13 pages in 7 minutes.
How many pages does it print per minute?
2. It takes 40 pounds of seed to completely plant a 7-acre field. How many acres can be planted per pound of seed?

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Remember?

True or false?

1. $\frac{4}{5} = \frac{8}{10}$
2. $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{15}$
3. $\frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{35}$

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Cross Multiply

$$\frac{2}{3} \neq \frac{4}{6}$$

$$2 \times 6 = 3 \times 4$$

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ONLY cross multiply
over an... =

EQUAL SIGN!!!!

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Proportions

•When two numbers have the **same ratio**, they are **proportional**.

To check if two fractions are equal, you can...

1. **Simplify** each fraction OR
2. Check if their **cross products** are equal.

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Practice 12.4

What value for x would make this proportion true?

$$\frac{x}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$$

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Solving Proportions

To solve proportions, set the cross products equal to each other and divide to isolate the variable.

In other words,

1. **Cross multiply**
2. **Divide**

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ONLY cross multiply
over an...



EQUAL SIGN!!!!

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Practice 12.5

Solve the following for the variable.

1. $\frac{x}{7} = \frac{5}{3}$

2. $\frac{3.4}{4.93} = \frac{10}{n}$

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Practice 12.6

Donna drives her delivery van 800 mi in 3 days. At this rate, how far will she drive in 15 days?

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Practice 12.7

To control a fever, a doctor suggests that a child who weighs 28 kg be given 320 mg of a liquid pain reliever. If the dosage is proportional to the child's weight, how much of the medication is recommended for a child who weighs 35 kg?

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A	90% - 100%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	0% - 59%

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Percent Notation

$n\%$ means “n per hundred”

Examples:

- Humans start 84% of the wildfires in the United States.

Data: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

- Over an average lifetime, a person spends 29.7% of the time sitting and 0.69% of the time exercising.

Data: CensusWide/Reebok poll of 18,000 people in nine countries

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Percent Notation

$n\%$ means “n per hundred”

$n\% = \text{the ratio of } n \text{ to } 100 = \frac{n}{100}$ (ratio)

$n\% = n \times \frac{1}{100}$ (fraction)

$n\% = n \div 100$ (decimal)

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Practice 12.8

Write 67.8% as a ratio, fraction, and decimal.

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Converting Percents to Decimals

1. Replace the percent symbol (%) with $\div 100$

$$36.5\% = 36.5 \div 100 = \frac{36.5}{100}$$

2. Divide by 100
(move decimal two places left)

$$0.365$$

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Practice 12.9

Write each of the following as decimals.

1. 78%
2. 4.9%
3. 6%

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Converting Decimals to Percents

1. Multiply by 100
(Move the decimal two places to the right)

$$0.675 \times 100\%$$

2. Write a % symbol.

$$67.5\%$$

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Practice 12.10

Write each of the following as percents.

1. 0.8
2. 5.6
3. 0.149
4. 0.00325

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Practice 12.11

- Write 1.32 as a percentage.
- Write 0.3% as a decimal.

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Converting Percents to Fractions

- Write the percent as a ratio.

$$30\% = \frac{30}{100}$$

- Simplify, if possible.

$$\frac{30}{100} = \frac{3}{10}$$

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Practice 12.12

Write each as a simplified fraction.

- 3%
- 78%
- 4.9%

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Practice 12.13

Write as a percentage.

1. $\frac{9}{100}$

2. $\frac{5}{10}$

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Converting Fractions to Percents

1. Divide to find the decimal.

$$\frac{3}{5} = 0.6$$

2. Convert the decimal to a percent.

$$0.6 = 0.60 = 60\%$$

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Practice 12.14

Write as a percentage. Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a percent.

$$\frac{4}{41}$$

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Practice 12.15

Write the fraction as a percentage.

In a certain class, $\frac{13}{50}$ of the students
got problem wrong on Friday's math
test.

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