Reciprocals

Find the reciprocal.

$$9 = \frac{9}{1} \quad \frac{9}{1} < \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{9}}{\cancel{1}} \times \frac{\cancel{1}}{\cancel{9}} = \frac{\cancel{1}}{\cancel{1}} = 1$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \prec \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{2} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$1\frac{1}{4} = \frac{5}{4} \quad \frac{5}{4} \quad \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\cancel{\cancel{N}}} \times \frac{\cancel{\cancel{N}}}{\cancel{\cancel{N}}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

 $\frac{1}{9}$ is the reciprocal of 9. $\frac{3}{2}$ is the reciprocal of $\frac{2}{3}$. $\frac{4}{5}$ is the reciprocal of $1\frac{1}{4}$.

Write the missing reciprocal in each statement.

3.
$$\frac{1}{2} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$$

1.
$$8 \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$$
 2. $3 \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$ 3. $\frac{1}{2} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$ 4. $\frac{1}{5} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$

5.
$$\frac{7}{9} \times _{---} = 1$$

6.
$$\frac{4}{5} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$$

5.
$$\frac{7}{8} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$$
 6. $\frac{4}{5} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$ 7. $1\frac{1}{2} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$ 8. $2\frac{1}{4} \times \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 1$

Are the numbers reciprocals? Write Yes or No.

9. 12,
$$\frac{1}{12}$$

10.
$$\frac{1}{3}$$
, $\frac{2}{6}$ _____

9.
$$12, \frac{1}{12}$$
 _____ 10. $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{6}$ _____ 11. $\frac{4}{9}, \frac{9}{4}$ ____ 12. $\frac{5}{8}, \frac{8}{5}$ _____

13.
$$\frac{1}{10}$$
, 10 _____

13.
$$\frac{1}{10}$$
, 10 _____ **14.** $2\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{5}{11}$ _____ **15.** $3\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{2}{5}$ _____ **16.** $1\frac{7}{8}$, $\frac{8}{15}$ _____

15.
$$3\frac{1}{2}$$
, $\frac{2}{5}$

Write the reciprocal of each number.

17. 1 ____ 18. 20 ___ 19.
$$\frac{1}{3}$$
 ____ 20. $\frac{1}{8}$ ____

22.
$$\frac{7}{12}$$

23.
$$\frac{10}{3}$$

21.
$$\frac{9}{10}$$
 ____ 22. $\frac{7}{12}$ ____ 23. $\frac{10}{3}$ ____ 24. $\frac{9}{5}$ ____

25.
$$\frac{14}{9}$$

25.
$$\frac{14}{9}$$
 _____ **26.** $1\frac{1}{6}$ _____ **27.** $2\frac{3}{4}$ _____ **28.** $3\frac{1}{5}$ _____

Problem Solving Use the numbers in the box.

$$\frac{1}{3}$$
 $\frac{5}{2}$ $\frac{9}{4}$ $\frac{7}{10}$

30. Write the fractions that are greater than 1. Then write their reciprocals.

31. What number times $\frac{5}{16}$ equals 1?

32. What number times 100 equals 1?

 Use the numbers 7 and 11 to write a multiplication sentence with a product of 1.

Divide Whole Numbers by Fractions

Name _____

Date _____

Divide: $6 \div \frac{3}{8} = n$

$$6 \div \frac{3}{8} = \frac{6}{1} \div \frac{3}{8}$$

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

$$= \frac{\cancel{8} \times \cancel{8}}{\cancel{1} \times \cancel{8}} = \frac{\cancel{16}}{\cancel{1}} = 16$$

Divide: $7 \div \frac{2}{5} = n$

Multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor. $7 \div \frac{2}{5} = \frac{7}{1} \div \frac{2}{5}$ $= \frac{7}{1} \times \frac{5}{2}$ $= \frac{7 \times 5}{1 \times 2} = \frac{35}{2} = 17\frac{1}{2}$ $n = 17\frac{1}{2}$

Complete each division.

1.
$$6 \div \frac{1}{4} = \frac{6}{1} \div \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{6}{1} \times ---$$
=

2.
$$3 \div \frac{2}{7} = \frac{3}{1} \div \frac{2}{7}$$

= $\frac{3}{1} \times ---$

Divide.

3.
$$12 \div \frac{2}{3} =$$

5.
$$6 \div \frac{1}{3} =$$

7.
$$9 \div \frac{4}{5} =$$

9.
$$8 \div \frac{2}{5} =$$

11.
$$1 \div \frac{1}{3} =$$

13. 2 ÷
$$\frac{7}{10}$$
 =

15.
$$7 \div \frac{2}{5} =$$

4.
$$16 \div \frac{5}{8} =$$

6.
$$10 \div \frac{1}{3} =$$

8.
$$18 \div \frac{3}{4} =$$

10. 21 ÷
$$\frac{2}{5}$$
 = _____

12. 25 ÷
$$\frac{1}{8}$$
 = _____

14.
$$15 \div \frac{3}{4} =$$

16.
$$14 \div \frac{1}{3} =$$

Problem Solving

- 17. Lee needs pieces of wire that are each ²/₅ ft long. How many pieces can he cut from a 6-ft length of wire?
- 18. A pie is divided into eight equal pieces. How many pieces would there be if it were divided into pieces only ¹/₂ that size?