

WARM UP

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MATH COURSE I

Dividing Mixed
Numbers

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VOCABULARY

reciprocal: one of two numbers whose product is 1.

Example: $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{12}{12} = 1$

Multiplicative inverse: (also known as reciprocal) Definition

RECIPROCAL

■ Video for Reciprocal

What's the reciprocal?

1) $1/9$

2) $2 \frac{3}{5}$

3) $7 \frac{1}{5}$

Dividing

Step 1: Write mixed numbers as improper fractions.

Step 2: create reciprocal of second fraction and change to multiplication

Step 3: Cross simplify with GCF * optional

Step 4: Multiply across.

Step 5: Simplify.

DIVIDING

- 1: keep first fraction
- 2: change the sign from division to multiplication
- 3: flip: reciprocate the second fraction
- 4: multiply
- 5: simplify

EXAMPLE

$$10 \frac{1}{2} \div 1 \frac{3}{4} =$$

$$\text{Step 1: } 21/2 \div 7/4 =$$

$$\text{Step 2: } 21/2 \times 4/7 =$$

$$\text{Step 3: } 3/1 \times 2/1 =$$

$$\text{Step 4: } 6/1 =$$

$$\text{Step 5: } 6/1 = 6$$

PRACTICE

- Complete questions 9 – 17 on page 278.