WARM UP

Estimate:

$$3) 5/9 + 3/7 =$$

MATH COURSE I

Compare & Order Fractions

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VOCABULARY

LCD: the least common multiple (LCM) of two or more denominators

equivalent fraction: a fraction equal in value

Example

Compare 5/6 and 3/4.

LCD: 12

$$5 \times 2 = 10$$
 $3 \times 3 = 9$

$$6 \times 2 = 12 \qquad 4 \times 3 = 12$$

10/12 > 9/12 therefore, 5/6 > 3/4

Try!

1/5 2/7

2/3 5/9

EXAMPLE

Order Fractions:

2/5, 1/7, 3/8

- -Find the LCD for 5, 7, and 8.
- -Make equivalent fractions
- -Order from least to greatest

PRACTICE

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