

DIVIDING FRACTIONS



Dividing fractions is easy, you'll see. You just need to remember

- K** KEEP THE FIRST FRACTION THE SAME
- F** FLIP THE SECOND FRACTION
- C** CHANGE THE DIVISION SIGN TO A MULTIPLICATION SIGN

Flip

$$\frac{\text{numerator}}{\text{denominator}} \div \frac{D}{N}$$

Multiplication

$$\frac{N \times D}{\text{D} \times N}$$

Reciprocal

$\frac{2}{3}$ The reciprocal is $\frac{3}{2}$

$\frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{3}$

What is the reciprocal of $\textcircled{4}$

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

Any whole number can be written as a fraction

$\frac{4}{1}$ The reciprocal $\frac{1}{4}$

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$$4/5 \div 2 = 2/5$$

Q2 $\frac{7}{3} \rightarrow \frac{3}{7}$ $\frac{1}{5} \rightarrow \frac{5}{1}$ or 5

$\frac{4}{9} \rightarrow \frac{9}{4}$ $\frac{3}{11} \rightarrow \frac{11}{3}$

$\frac{6}{1} \rightarrow \frac{1}{6}$

Reciprocal Mixed numbers.

$2\frac{1}{3}$ → Improper fraction

$$3 \times 2 = 6 + 1 = \frac{7}{3} \quad \text{reciprocal} \quad \frac{3}{7}$$

$1\frac{2}{9}$

$$9 \times 1 = 9 + 2 = \frac{11}{9} \quad \text{reciprocal} = \frac{9}{11}$$

$$3\frac{4}{5} = \frac{19}{5} \rightarrow \frac{5}{19}$$

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

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(viii)

Q5

Exercise 3.5

1. Shane has $\frac{4}{5}$ of a bar of chocolate. He shares it equally between two people. What fraction of the bar do they each get?

2. Find the reciprocal of each of the following fractions:

- (i) $\frac{7}{3}$ (ii) $\frac{4}{9}$ (iii) 6 (iv) $\frac{1}{5}$ (v) $\frac{3}{11}$

3. Find the reciprocal of each of the following fractions:

- (i) $2\frac{1}{3}$ (ii) $1\frac{2}{9}$ (iii) 10 (iv) $3\frac{4}{5}$ (v) $1\frac{1}{4}$

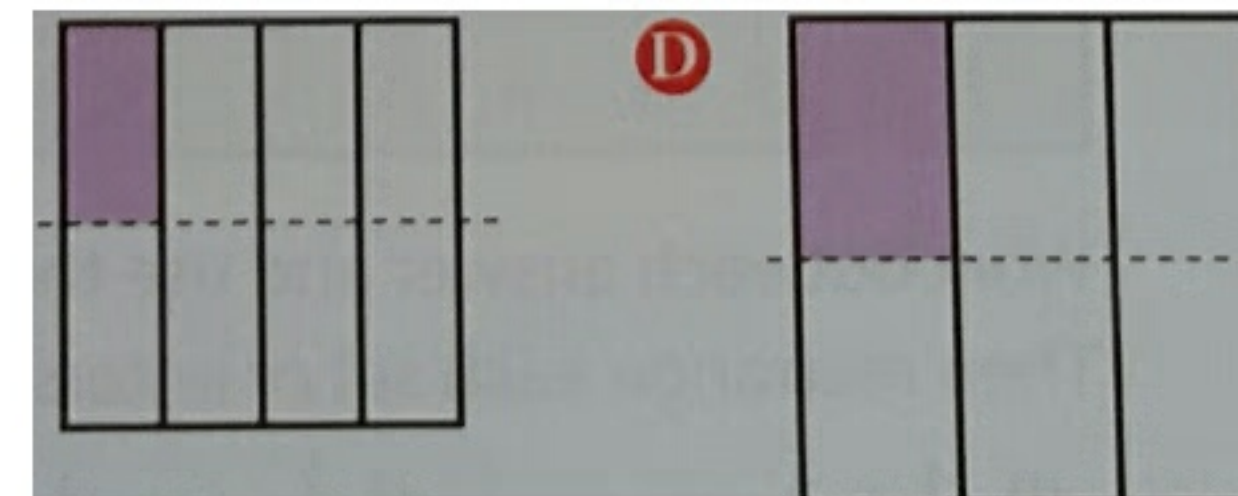
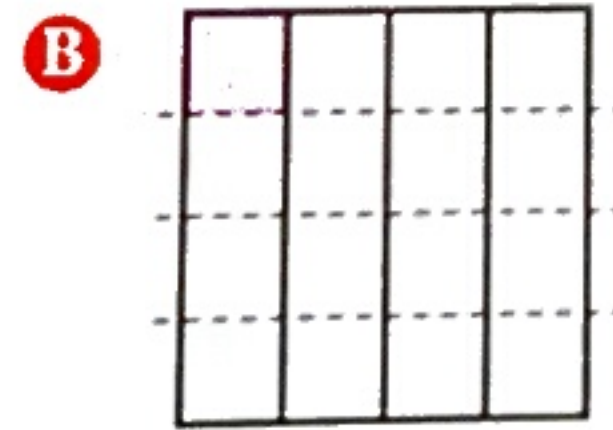
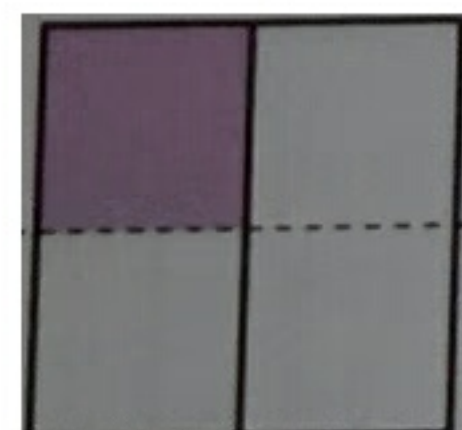
4. Rewrite each of these as a multiplication and then work out the answer.

- (i) $\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{1}{2}$ (ii) $\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{2}{3}$ (iii) $\frac{2}{5} \div \frac{9}{10}$ (iv) $\frac{7}{12} \div \frac{1}{6}$
 (v) $6 \div \frac{3}{4}$ (vi) $12 \div \frac{4}{9}$ (vii) $16 \div \frac{8}{9}$ (viii) $27 \div \frac{3}{4}$

5. Work out each of the following:

- (i) $3\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{3}{8}$ (ii) $2\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{3}{4}$ (iii) $2\frac{1}{10} \div \frac{3}{5}$ (iv) $2\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{7}{16}$
 (v) $1\frac{1}{8} \div 2\frac{1}{4}$ (vi) $8\frac{1}{4} \div 1\frac{3}{8}$ (vii) $5\frac{5}{8} \div 6\frac{1}{4}$ (viii) $3\frac{1}{8} \div 3\frac{3}{4}$

6. Which diagram below matches $\frac{1}{4} \div 2$?



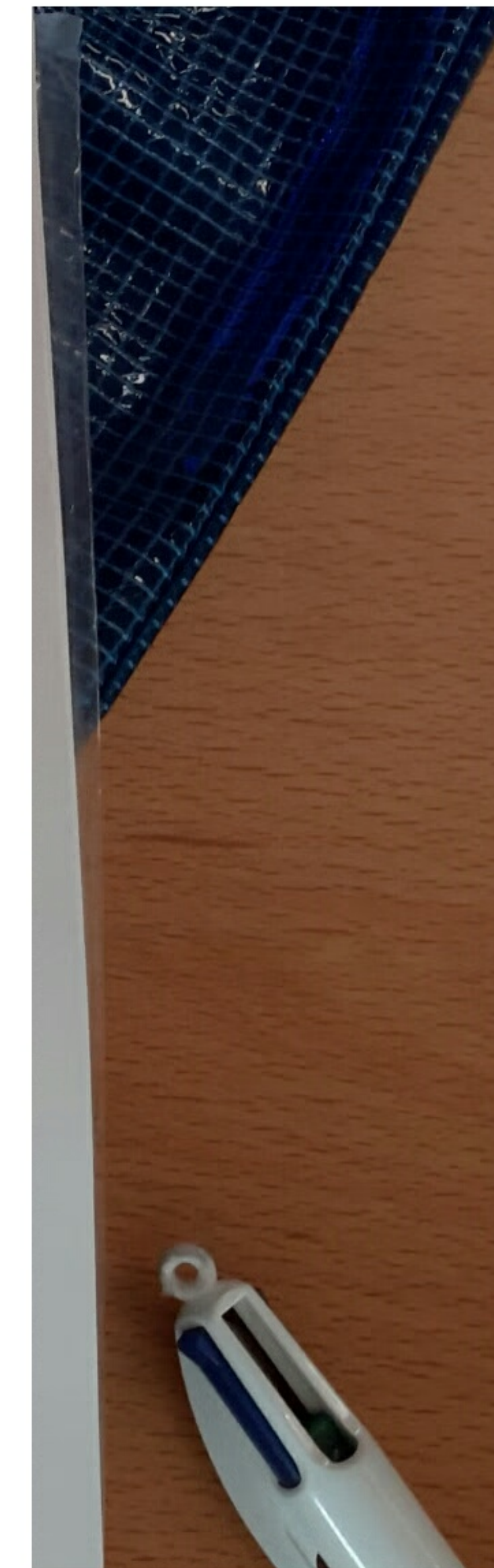
7. Work out each of these:

- (i) $5\frac{3}{7} \div 1\frac{3}{7}$ (ii) $10\frac{5}{6} \div 3\frac{1}{4}$ (iii) $6\frac{2}{3} \div 2\frac{4}{9}$ (iv) $1\frac{4}{5} \div \frac{27}{10}$

...number by a fraction,
 ...the number by the
 ...turned upside down.

...reciprocal of $\frac{a}{b}$

...a number by a
 ...multiply the number
 ...iprocal of the



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Q4 i)} \quad & \frac{3}{4} \div \frac{1}{2} \\ & \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{1} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \quad 1\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{4iii)} \quad & \frac{2}{5} \div \frac{9}{10} \\ & \frac{2}{\cancel{5}_1} \times \frac{\cancel{10}^2}{9} \\ & \frac{2}{1} \times \frac{2}{9} = \frac{4}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{4iv)} \quad & \frac{7}{12} \div \frac{1}{6} \\ & \frac{7}{\cancel{12}_2} \times \frac{\cancel{6}^1}{1} \\ & \frac{7}{2} \times \frac{1}{1} = \frac{7}{2} \quad 3\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$4v) \quad 6 \div \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{\overset{2}{\cancel{6}}}{1} \times \frac{4}{\cancel{3}_1}$$

$$\frac{8}{1} = 8$$

$$4) \quad vi) \quad 12 \div \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\frac{\overset{3}{\cancel{12}}}{1} \times \frac{9}{\cancel{4}_1}$$

$$\frac{27}{1} = 27$$

$$4) \quad vii) \quad 16 \div \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\frac{\overset{2}{\cancel{16}}}{1} \times \frac{9}{\cancel{8}_1}$$

$$\frac{18}{1} = 18$$

$$4) \quad viii) \quad 27 \div \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{\overset{9}{\cancel{27}}}{1} \times \frac{4}{\cancel{3}_1}$$

$$\frac{9 \times 4}{1 \times 1} = \frac{36}{1} = 36$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad i \quad 3\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{3}{8}$$

Improper
fraction

$$3 \times 4 = 12 + 3 = 15$$

$$5\frac{15}{4} \times \frac{8^2}{3_1}$$

$$\frac{5}{1} \times \frac{2}{1} = \frac{10}{1} = 10$$

$$ii) \quad 2\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{3}{4}$$

$$8 \times 2 = 16 + 5 = 21$$

$$7\frac{21}{8} \times \frac{4^1}{3_1}$$

$$\frac{7}{2} \times \frac{1}{1} = \frac{7}{2} \text{ OR } 3\frac{1}{2}$$

$$Q5 \text{ iii) } 2\frac{1}{10} \div \frac{3}{5}$$

$$2 \times 10 = 20 + 1$$

$$\frac{7}{2} \frac{21}{10} \times \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\frac{7}{2} \times \frac{1}{1} = \frac{7}{2} \text{ OR } 3\frac{1}{2}$$

$$Q5 \text{ v) } 1\frac{1}{8} \div 2\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{9}{8} \times \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\frac{9}{8} \times \frac{4}{9} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Q5 \text{ iv) } 2\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{7}{16}$$

$$8 \times 2 = 16 + 5$$

$$3 \frac{21}{8} \times \frac{16}{7}$$

$$\frac{3}{1} \times \frac{2}{1} = \frac{6}{1} \text{ OR } 6$$

$$Q5 \text{ vi) } 8\frac{1}{4} \div 1\frac{3}{8}$$

$$\frac{33}{4} \times \frac{11}{8}$$

$$3 \frac{33}{4} \times \frac{8}{11} = \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{2}{1} = \frac{6}{1} \text{ OR } 6$$

$$\text{Q5vii)} \quad 5\frac{5}{8} \div 6\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{45}{8} \times \frac{25}{4}$$

$$9 \frac{\cancel{45}}{8} \times \frac{\cancel{4}1}{\cancel{25}5}$$

$$\frac{9}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\text{Q5viii)} \quad 3\frac{1}{8} \div 3\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{25}{8} \times \frac{15}{4}$$

$$5 \frac{\cancel{25}}{8} \times \frac{\cancel{4}1}{\cancel{15}3}$$

$$\frac{5}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6}$$