

8.7 Dividing with Whole & Mixed Numbers

To divide mixed numbers, rename each mixed number as an improper fraction. Then, divide the fractions as we did in section 6 in chapter 8.

"Keep it. Change it. Flip it."



Example: Find each quotient. Write in simplest form

$$1.) 4\frac{2}{3} \div 5\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{14}{3} \div \frac{16}{3}$$

$$\frac{14}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{16} = \boxed{\frac{7}{8}}$$

$$2.) 2 \div 3\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{1} \div \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{7} = \boxed{\frac{4}{7}}$$

Example: Find each quotient. Write in simplest form.

$$3.) \frac{7}{8} \div 3\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \div \frac{15}{4}$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \cdot \frac{4}{15} = \frac{7}{30}$$

$$4.) 7\frac{1}{3} \div 6$$

$$\frac{22}{3} \div \frac{6}{1}$$

$$\frac{22}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{11}{9} \text{ or } 1\frac{2}{9}$$

Example: Find each quotient. Write in simplest form.

$$5.) 5\frac{1}{4} \div 3\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{21}{4} \div \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{21}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } 1\frac{1}{2}$$

$$6.) 8 \div 3\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{8}{1} \div \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{8}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{16}{7} \text{ or } 2\frac{2}{7}$$

$$7.) 4\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{22}{5} \div \frac{13}{4}$$

$$\frac{22}{5} \cdot \frac{4}{13}$$

$$\frac{88}{65} \text{ or } 1\frac{23}{65}$$