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Study Guide and Intervention

Dividing Mixed Numbers

To divide mixed numbers, express each mixed number as an improper fraction. Then divide as with

Example 1 Find $2\frac{2}{3} \div 1\frac{1}{5}$.

Estimate: $3 \div 1 = 3$

$$2\frac{2}{3} \div 1\frac{1}{5} = \frac{8}{3} \div \frac{6}{5}$$
$$= \frac{8}{3} \times \frac{5}{6}$$

Write mixed numbers as improper fractions.

 $= \frac{\overset{4}{\cancel{8}} \times 5}{3 \times \cancel{6}}$

Multiply by the reciprocal, $\frac{5}{6}$.

Divide 8 and 6 by the GCF, 2.

 $=\frac{20}{9}$ or $2\frac{2}{9}$

Simplify. Compare to the estimate.

Example 2 Find the value of $s \div t$ if $s = 1\frac{2}{3}$ and $t = \frac{3}{4}$.

$$s \div t = 1\frac{2}{3} \div \frac{3}{4}$$

 $s \, \div \, t = \, 1\frac{2}{3} \, \div \, \frac{3}{4} \qquad \qquad \text{Replace s with $1\frac{2}{3}$ and t with $\frac{3}{4}$.}$

$$=\frac{5}{3} \div \frac{3}{4}$$

 $=\frac{5}{3}\div \frac{3}{4}$ Write $1\frac{2}{3}$ as an improper fraction.

$$=\frac{5}{3}\times\frac{4}{3}$$

 $=\frac{5}{3} imesrac{4}{3}$ Multiply by the reciprocal, $rac{4}{3}$.

$$=\frac{20}{9} \text{ or } 2\frac{2}{9}$$
 Simplify.

Exercises

Divide. Write in simplest form.

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

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

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4.
$$2\frac{1}{3} \div \frac{7}{9}$$

5.
$$5\frac{2}{5} \div \frac{9}{10}$$
 6. $7\frac{1}{2} \div 1\frac{2}{3}$ **7.** $3\frac{5}{6} \div 2$

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7.
$$3\frac{5}{6} \div 2$$

8.
$$2\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{2}{7}$$

9. 9 ÷
$$1\frac{1}{9}$$

10.
$$\frac{4}{5} \div 2\frac{6}{7}$$

11.
$$1\frac{8}{9} \div 5$$

9.
$$9 \div 1\frac{1}{9}$$
 10. $\frac{4}{5} \div 2\frac{6}{7}$ **11.** $1\frac{8}{9} \div 5$ **12.** $\frac{3}{8} \div 2\frac{1}{4}$

- **13.** ALGEBRA If $x = 1\frac{1}{4}$ and y = 3, what is $x \div y$?
- **14.** ALGEBRA Evaluate $18 \div t$ if $t = \frac{9}{11}$.