

Ratios

What is a ratio?

Comparing two numbers where the order is important.

What is an equivalent ratio?

Two or more ratios that have the same value. (Think equivalent fractions)

Three Ways to Write a Ratio

1. $a \text{ "to" } b$

2. $a:b$

3. $\frac{a}{b}$

Write the ratio in simplest form. Then write the ratio in two other ways.

1. 8 to 6

$$\begin{array}{l} 4 \text{ to } 3 \\ 4:3 \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{array}$$

2. 39:13

$$\begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ to } 1 \\ 3:1 \\ \frac{3}{1} \end{array}$$

3. $\frac{7}{28}$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ to } 4 \\ 1:4 \\ \frac{1}{4} \end{array}$$

Write a ratio for each of the following:

4. A basketball player shoots a basketball 34 times, 16 of those shots were successful.

- a. Number of
- misses
- to
- total
- number of shots:

$$\frac{18}{34} = \frac{9}{17}$$

- b. Number of
- successful shots
- to
- total
- number of shots:

$$\frac{16}{34} = \frac{8}{17}$$

- c. Number of
- successful shots
- to
- misses
- :

$$\frac{16}{18} = \frac{8}{9}$$

5. An archer shoots 60 arrows at a target. The arrow hits the scoring area 44 times. What is the number of
- hits
- to
- the number of
- misses
- ?

$$\frac{44}{16} = \frac{11}{4}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 34 \\ -16 \\ \hline 18 \text{ missed shots} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 60 \\ -44 \\ \hline 16 \text{ missed shots} \end{array}$$

Unit Rate

Unit Rate: When the denominator is 1.
"_____ per one _____"

Find the unit rate:

1. You host a party for 12 people. The food and drinks for the party cost \$66.
 What is the cost per person?

$$\frac{\$66}{12 \text{ people}} = \frac{\$X}{1 \text{ person}}$$

⇒ \$5.50 per one person

2. A jet flies 540 miles in 3 hours. How many miles per hour?

$$\frac{540 \text{ miles}}{3 \text{ hrs.}} = \frac{X \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ hr.}}$$

⇒ 180 miles per one hour

3. $\frac{320 \text{ newsletters}}{4 \text{ people}} =$

$$\frac{320 \text{ newsl.}}{4 \text{ people}} = \frac{X \text{ newsl.}}{1 \text{ person}}$$

⇒ 80 newsletters per one person

4. $\frac{600,000 \text{ miles}}{24 \text{ hours}} =$

$$\frac{600,000 \text{ miles}}{24 \text{ hrs}} = \frac{X \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ hour}}$$

⇒ 25,000 miles per hour

Unit Rate with Complex Fractions

Complex Fraction: When the numerator, the denominator
or both are a fraction.

1. $\frac{\frac{5}{8}}{\frac{4}{1}}$

$$\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{4}{1} = \frac{5}{32}$$

2. $\frac{\frac{20}{4}}{\frac{5}{1}}$

$$\frac{20}{4} \div \frac{5}{1} = 25$$

3. $\frac{\frac{3}{14}}{\frac{13}{49}}$

$$\frac{3}{14} \div \frac{13}{49} = \frac{21}{26}$$

Write the complex fraction as a unit rate:

1. $\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{10}}$

$$\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{1}{10} = \frac{5}{2} = \frac{2.5}{1}$$

2. $\frac{\frac{9}{16}}{\frac{3}{8}}$

$$\frac{9}{16} \div \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3}{2} = \frac{1.5}{1}$$

3. $\frac{\frac{5}{7}}{\frac{5}{14}}$

$$\frac{5}{7} \div \frac{5}{14} = \frac{2}{1}$$