

Dividiendo Fracciones

Dividing Fractions

When dividing fractions, keep the first fraction the same and multiply by the reciprocal of the second fraction.

① Esta fracción se deja igual

Método # 1: Recíproco

switch to its reciprocal

② División se cambia a multiplicación

③ La segunda fracción se cambia a su Recíproco

$$\frac{-2}{5} \div \frac{3}{10} = \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{10}{3} = \frac{-20}{15} = \frac{-4}{3}$$

Still reduce to lowest terms

Recíproco

Examples: Calculate. Reduce answers to simplest form where possible.

$$1. \frac{3}{4} \div -\frac{9}{8} = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{-8}{9} = \frac{-24}{36} = \frac{-24 \div 12}{36 \div 12} = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$2. 1\frac{1}{4} \div (-3) = \frac{5}{4} \div \frac{-3}{1} = \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-5}{12}$$

*** remember to change mixed numbers to improper fractions and to write whole numbers as fractions over one.

$$3. 16 \div \frac{-4}{5} = \frac{16}{1} \times \frac{-5}{4} = \frac{16^4}{1} \times \frac{-5}{4_1} = \frac{-20}{1} = -20$$

Try These!

Método # 2: Multiplicación en X.

$$4. \frac{-2}{9} \div -\frac{4}{7}$$

$$5. 2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{25}{14}$$

$$6. \frac{8}{11} \div -4$$

$$-\frac{2}{9} \div -\frac{4}{7} = -\frac{14 \div 2}{36 \div 2} = -\frac{7}{18}$$

Answers: . 4. $\frac{7}{18}$ 5. $\frac{7}{5}$ 6. $\frac{-2}{11}$

① Multiplica
numerador con denominador

y
denominador con numerador

Método # 3: C Mayúscula, c Minúscula

Veamos: $\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{7}{8}$

Se escribe arriba

C Mayúscula

$$\begin{array}{r} \times \frac{3}{4} \\ \hline \frac{7}{8} \end{array}$$

C minúscula

Se escribe abajo. ENTONCES: MULTIPLICACIÓN

- C mayúscula se escribe arriba como numerador

$$3 \times 8 \rightarrow 24$$

- C minúscula se escribe abajo como denominador

$$4 \times 7 \rightarrow 28$$

Entonces:

$$\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{7}{8} = \left(\frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{7}{8}} = \frac{24 \div 4}{28 \div 4} = \frac{6}{7} \right)$$

Ejemplos # 2:

$$\frac{6}{5} \div \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\left(\frac{\frac{6}{5}}{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{6 \times 3}{5 \times 4} = \frac{18}{20} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{\frac{5}{6}}{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{5 \times 3}{6 \times 4} = \frac{15}{24} \right)$$

$$\frac{18 \div 2}{20 \div 2} = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\frac{15 \div 3}{24 \div 3} = \frac{5}{8}$$

Siempre simplificas