

## Access answers to Maths NCERT Solutions for Class 7 Chapter 2 – Fractions and Decimals Exercise 2.4

**1. Find:**

**(i)  $12 \div \frac{3}{4}$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= 12 \times \text{reciprocal of } \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= 12 \times (4/3)$$

$$= 4 \times 4$$

$$= 16$$

**(ii)  $14 \div (5/6)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= 14 \times \text{reciprocal of } (5/6)$$

$$= 14 \times (6/5)$$

$$= 84/5$$

**(iii)  $8 \div (7/3)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= 8 \times \text{reciprocal of } (7/3)$$

$$= 8 \times (3/7)$$

$$= (24/7)$$

**(iv)  $4 \div (8/3)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= 4 \times \text{reciprocal of } (8/3)$$

$$= 4 \times (3/8)$$

$$= 1 \times (3/2)$$

$$= 3/2$$

**(v)  $3 \div 2\frac{1}{3}$**

**Solution:-**

While dividing a whole number by a mixed fraction, first convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction

We have,

$$= 2\frac{1}{3} = 7/3$$

Then,

$$= 3 \div (7/3)$$

$$= 3 \times \text{reciprocal of } (7/3)$$

$$= 3 \times (3/7)$$

$$= 9/7$$

$$\text{(vi) } 5 \div 3\frac{4}{7}$$

**Solution:-**

While dividing a whole number by a mixed fraction, first convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction

We have,

$$= 3\frac{4}{7} = 25/7$$

Then,

$$= 5 \div (25/7)$$

$$= 5 \times \text{reciprocal of } (25/7)$$

$$= 5 \times (7/25)$$

$$= 1 \times (7/5)$$

$$= 7/5$$

**2. Find the reciprocal of each of the following fractions. Classify the reciprocals as proper fractions, improper fractions and whole numbers.**

**(i)  $3/7$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(3/7)$  is  $(7/3)$  [ $\because ((3/7) \times (7/3)) = 1$ ]

So, it is an improper fraction.

Improper fraction is that fraction in which numerator is greater than its denominator.

**(ii)  $5/8$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(\frac{5}{8})$  is  $(\frac{8}{5})$  [ $\because ((\frac{5}{8}) \times (\frac{8}{5})) = 1$ ]

So, it is an improper fraction.

Improper fraction is that fraction in which numerator is greater than its denominator.

**(iii)  $\frac{9}{7}$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(\frac{9}{7})$  is  $(\frac{7}{9})$  [ $\because ((\frac{9}{7}) \times (\frac{7}{9})) = 1$ ]

So, it is a proper fraction.

A proper fraction is that fraction in which denominator is greater than the numerator of the fraction.

**(iv)  $\frac{6}{5}$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(\frac{6}{5})$  is  $(\frac{5}{6})$  [ $\because ((\frac{6}{5}) \times (\frac{5}{6})) = 1$ ]

So, it is a proper fraction.

A proper fraction is that fraction in which denominator is greater than the numerator of the fraction.

**(v)  $\frac{12}{7}$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(\frac{12}{7})$  is  $(\frac{7}{12})$  [ $\because ((\frac{12}{7}) \times (\frac{7}{12})) = 1$ ]

So, it is a proper fraction.

A proper fraction is that fraction in which denominator is greater than the numerator of the fraction.

**(vi)  $\frac{1}{8}$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(1/8)$  is  $(8/1)$  or  $8$  [ $\because ((1/8) \times (8/1)) = 1$ ]

So, it is a whole number.

Whole numbers are collection of all positive integers including 0.

**(vii)  $1/11$**

**Solution:-**

Reciprocal of  $(1/11)$  is  $(11/1)$  or  $11$  [ $\because ((1/11) \times (11/1)) = 1$ ]

So, it is a whole number.

Whole numbers are collection of all positive integers including 0.

**3. Find:**

**(i)  $(7/3) \div 2$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (7/3) \times \text{reciprocal of } 2$$

$$= (7/3) \times (1/2)$$

$$= (7 \times 1) / (3 \times 2)$$

$$= 7/6$$

$$= 1\frac{1}{6}$$

**(ii)  $(4/9) \div 5$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (4/9) \times \text{reciprocal of } 5$$

$$= (4/9) \times (1/5)$$

$$= (4 \times 1) / (9 \times 5)$$

$$= 4/45$$

**(iii)  $(6/13) \div 7$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (6/13) \times \text{reciprocal of } 7$$

$$= (6/13) \times (1/7)$$

$$= (6 \times 1) / (13 \times 7)$$

$$= 6/91$$

$$\text{(iv) } 4\frac{1}{3} \div 3$$

**Solution:-**

First convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 4\frac{1}{3} = \frac{13}{3}$$

Then,

$$= (13/3) \times \text{reciprocal of } 3$$

$$= (13/3) \times (1/3)$$

$$= (13 \times 1) / (3 \times 3)$$

$$= 13/9$$

$$\text{(iv) } 3\frac{1}{2} \div 4$$

**Solution:-**

First convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 3\frac{1}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$$

Then,

$$= (7/2) \times \text{reciprocal of } 4$$

$$= (7/2) \times (1/4)$$

$$= (7 \times 1) / (2 \times 4)$$

$$= 7/8$$

$$\text{(iv) } 4\frac{3}{7} \div 7$$

**Solution:-**

First convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 4\frac{3}{7} = \frac{31}{7}$$

Then,

$$= (31/7) \times \text{reciprocal of } 7$$

$$= (31/7) \times (1/7)$$

$$= (31 \times 1) / (7 \times 7)$$

$$= 31/49$$

**4. Find:**

**(i)  $(2/5) \div (1/2)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (2/5) \times \text{reciprocal of } 1/2$$

$$= (2/5) \times (2/1)$$

$$= (2 \times 2) / (5 \times 1)$$

$$= 4/5$$

**(ii)  $(4/9) \div (2/3)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (4/9) \times \text{reciprocal of } (2/3)$$

$$= (4/9) \times (3/2)$$

$$= (4 \times 3) / (9 \times 2)$$

$$= (2 \times 1) / (3 \times 1)$$

$$= 2/3$$

**(iii)  $(3/7) \div (8/7)$**

**Solution:-**

We have,

$$= (3/7) \times \text{reciprocal of } (8/7)$$

$$= (3/7) \times (7/8)$$

$$= (3 \times 7) / (7 \times 8)$$

$$= (3 \times 1) / (1 \times 8)$$

$$= 3/8$$

**(iv)  $2\frac{1}{3} \div (3/5)$**

**Solution:-**

First convert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 2\frac{1}{3} = 7/3$$

Then,

$$= (7/3) \times \text{reciprocal of } (3/5)$$

$$= (7/3) \times (5/3)$$

$$= (7 \times 5) / (3 \times 3)$$

$$= 35/9$$

**(v)  $3\frac{1}{2} \div (8/3)$**

**Solution:-**

First covert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 3 \frac{1}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$$

Then,

$$= (\frac{7}{2}) \times \text{reciprocal of } (\frac{8}{3})$$

$$= (\frac{7}{2}) \times (\frac{3}{8})$$

$$= (7 \times 3) / (2 \times 8)$$

$$= 21/16$$

**(vi)  $(\frac{2}{5}) \div 1 \frac{1}{2}$**

**Solution:-**

First covert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 1 \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Then,

$$= (\frac{2}{5}) \times \text{reciprocal of } (\frac{3}{2})$$

$$= (\frac{2}{5}) \times (\frac{2}{3})$$

$$= (2 \times 2) / (5 \times 3)$$

$$= 4/15$$

**(vii)  $3\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{2}{3}$**

**Solution:-**

First covert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 3\frac{1}{5} = \frac{16}{5}$$

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

Then,

$$= (\frac{16}{5}) \times \text{reciprocal of } (\frac{5}{3})$$

$$= (\frac{16}{5}) \times (\frac{3}{5})$$

$$= (16 \times 3) / (5 \times 5)$$

$$= 48/25$$

**(viii)  $2\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{1}{5}$**

**Solution:-**

First covert the mixed fraction into improper fraction.

We have,

$$= 2\frac{1}{5} = 11/5$$

$$= 1\frac{1}{5} = 6/5$$

Then,

$$= (11/5) \times \text{reciprocal of } (6/5)$$

$$= (11/5) \times (5/6)$$

$$= (11 \times 5) / (5 \times 6)$$

$$= (11 \times 1) / (1 \times 6)$$

$$= 11/6$$