



Q7. Rewrite the following rational numbers in the simplest form:

(i) $\frac{-8}{6}$ (ii) $\frac{25}{45}$

(iii) $\frac{-44}{72}$ (iv) $\frac{-8}{10}$

Ans:

(i) $\frac{-8}{6} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{-4}{3}$

(ii) $\frac{25}{45} = \frac{5 \times 5}{9 \times 5} = \frac{5}{9}$

(iii) $\frac{-44}{72} = \frac{-11 \times 4}{18 \times 4} = \frac{-11}{18}$

(iv) $\frac{-8}{10} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{5 \times 2} = \frac{-4}{5}$

Q8. Fill in the boxes with the correct symbol out of $>$, $<$, and $=$

(i) $\frac{-5}{7} \square \frac{2}{3}$ (ii) $\frac{-4}{5} \square \frac{-5}{7}$ (iii) $\frac{-7}{8} \square \frac{14}{-16}$

(iv) $\frac{-8}{5} \square \frac{-7}{4}$ (v) $\frac{1}{-3} \square \frac{-1}{4}$ (vi) $\frac{5}{-11} \square \frac{-5}{11}$

(vii) $0 \square \frac{-7}{6}$

Ans:

(i)

$$\frac{-5}{7} = \frac{-5 \times 3}{7 \times 3} = \frac{-15}{21}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2 \times 7}{3 \times 7} = \frac{14}{21}$$

As $-15 < 14$,

Therefore, $\frac{-5}{7} \square \frac{2}{3}$

(ii)

$$\frac{-4}{5} = \frac{-4 \times 7}{5 \times 7} = \frac{-28}{35}$$

$$\frac{-5}{7} = \frac{-5 \times 5}{7 \times 5} = \frac{-25}{35}$$

As $-28 < -25$

Therefore, $\frac{-4}{5} \boxed{<} \frac{-5}{7}$

(iii) Here, $\frac{14}{-16} = \frac{7 \times 2}{-8 \times 2} = \frac{7}{-8} = \frac{-7}{8}$

Therefore, $\frac{-7}{8} \boxed{=} \frac{14}{-16}$

(iv)

$$\frac{-8}{5} = \frac{-8 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = \frac{-32}{20}$$

$$\frac{-7}{4} = \frac{-7 \times 5}{4 \times 5} = \frac{-35}{20}$$

As $-32 > -35$,

Therefore, $\frac{-8}{5} \boxed{>} \frac{-7}{4}$

$$\frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-1 \times 4}{3 \times 4} = \frac{-4}{12}$$

(v) $\frac{-1}{4} = \frac{-1 \times 3}{4 \times 3} = \frac{-3}{12}$

As $-4 < -3$,

Therefore, $\frac{-1}{3} \boxed{<} \frac{-1}{4}$

(vi) $\frac{5}{-11} \boxed{=} \frac{-5}{11}$

(vii) $0 \boxed{>} \frac{-7}{6}$

Q9. Which is greater in each of the following?

(i) $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2}$ (ii) $\frac{-5}{6}, \frac{-4}{3}$ (iii) $\frac{-3}{4}, \frac{2}{-3}$

(iv) $\frac{-1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$ (v) $-3\frac{2}{7}, -3\frac{4}{5}$

Ans:

(i) $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2}$

By converting these into like fractions,

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{4}{6}$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = \frac{5 \times 3}{2 \times 3} = \frac{15}{6}$$

As $15 > 4$, therefore, $\frac{5}{2}$ is greater.

$$(ii) \frac{-5}{6}, \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$\frac{-4}{3} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{-8}{6}$$

As $-5 > -8$, therefore, $\frac{-5}{6}$ is greater.

(iii)

$$\frac{-3}{4}, \frac{2}{-3}$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{-3}{4}, \frac{-2}{3}$$

By converting these into like fractions,

$$\frac{-3}{4} = \frac{-3 \times 3}{4 \times 3} = \frac{-9}{12}$$

$$\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-2 \times 4}{3 \times 4} = \frac{-8}{12}$$

As $-8 > -9$, therefore, $\frac{-2}{3}$ is greater.

$$(iv) \frac{-1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} > \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$(v) -3\frac{2}{7}, -3\frac{4}{5}$$

$$\frac{-23}{7}, \frac{-19}{5}$$

By converting these into like fractions,

$$\frac{-23}{7} = \frac{-23 \times 5}{7 \times 5} = \frac{-115}{35}$$

$$\frac{-19}{5} = \frac{-19 \times 7}{5 \times 7} = \frac{-133}{35}$$

As $-115 > -133$, therefore, $-3\frac{2}{7}$ is greater.

Q10. Write the following rational numbers in ascending order:

(i) $\frac{-3}{5}, \frac{-2}{5}, \frac{-1}{5}$ (ii) $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-4}{3}$ (iii) $\frac{-3}{7}, \frac{-3}{2}, \frac{-3}{4}$

Ans:

(i) $\frac{-3}{5}, \frac{-2}{5}, \frac{-1}{5}$

As $-3 < -2 < -1$,

$$\therefore \frac{-3}{5} < \frac{-2}{5} < \frac{-1}{5}$$

(ii) $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-4}{3}$

By converting these into like fractions,

$$\frac{-1 \times 3}{3 \times 3}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-4 \times 3}{3 \times 3}$$
$$\frac{-3}{9}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-12}{9}$$

As $-12 < -3 < -2$,

$$\therefore \frac{-4}{3} < \frac{-1}{3} < \frac{-2}{9}$$

(iii) $\frac{-3}{7}, \frac{-3}{2}, \frac{-3}{4}$

By converting these into like fractions,

$$\frac{-3 \times 4}{7 \times 4}, \frac{-3 \times 14}{2 \times 14}, \frac{-3 \times 7}{4 \times 7}$$
$$\frac{-12}{28}, \frac{-42}{28}, \frac{-21}{28}$$

As $-42 < -21 < -12$,

$$\therefore \frac{-3}{2} < \frac{-3}{4} < \frac{-3}{7}$$

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