



Exercise 3.1



1. Express the following as a ratio $a : b$ and as a fraction in its simplest (lowest) form.

(i) Rs. 750, Rs. 1250

Solution: $= 750 : 1250$ *Dividing by 10*
 $= 75 : 125$
 $= 3 : 5$ *Dividing by 25*
 $= 3 : 5$ or $\frac{3}{5}$

(ii) 450cm, 3m

Solution: $3m = 300 \text{ cm.}$
 $= 450 : 300$ $\because 1m = 100 \text{ cm}$
 $= \frac{450}{10} : \frac{300}{10}$ *(Dividing by 10)*
 $= 45 : 30$
 $= \frac{45}{5} : \frac{30}{5}$ *(Dividing by 5)*
 $= 9 : 6$
 $= \frac{9}{3} : \frac{6}{3}$ *(Dividing by 3).*
 $= 3 : 2$
 $= \frac{3}{2}$

(iii) 4kg, 2kg 750 gm

Solution: $4kg : 2kg \ 750 \text{ gm}$
 $= 4000 \text{ g} : 2750 \text{ g}$ $\because 1kg = 1000 \text{ gm}$
 $= 4000 : 2750$
 $= \frac{4000}{10} : \frac{2750}{10}$ *(Dividing by 10)*
 $= 400 : 275$
 $= \frac{400}{5} : \frac{275}{5}$ *(Dividing by 5)*
 $= 80 : 55$
 $= \frac{80}{5} : \frac{55}{5}$ *(Dividing by 5)*
 $= 16 : 11$
 $= \frac{16}{11}$



(iv) 27 min. 30 sec, 1 hour

Solution: 27 min 30 sec : 1 hour

$$= (27 \times 60 + 30) \text{ sec} : (1 \times 60 \times 60) \text{ sec}$$

$$= 1650 : 3600$$

$$= \frac{1650}{10} : \frac{3600}{10} \quad (\text{Dividing by 10})$$

$$= 165 : 360$$

$$= \frac{165}{5} : \frac{360}{5} \quad (\text{Dividing by 5})$$

$$= 33 : 72$$

$$= \frac{33}{3} : \frac{72}{3} \quad (\text{Dividing by 3})$$

$$= 11 : 24$$

$$= \frac{11}{24}$$

(v) $75^\circ, 225^\circ$

Solution: $75^\circ : 225^\circ = \frac{75}{5} : \frac{225}{5}$ (Dividing by 5)

$$= 15 : 45$$

$$= \frac{15}{5} : \frac{45}{5} \quad (\text{Dividing by 5})$$

$$= 3 : 9$$

$$= \frac{3}{3} : \frac{9}{3} \quad (\text{Dividing by 3})$$

$$= 1 : 3$$

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

2. In a class of 60 students, 25 students are girls and remaining students are boys. Compute the ratio of

(i) boys to total students

Solution: Total student = 60

Number of girls students = 25

Number of boys students = $60 - 25 = 35$

$$35 : 60 = \frac{35}{5} : \frac{60}{5} \quad (\text{Dividing by 5})$$

$$7 : 12$$

(ii) boys to girls

Solution:

Number of boys = 35

Number of girls = 25

$$\text{Ratio boy to girls } 35 : 25 = \frac{35}{5} : \frac{25}{5} \quad \text{Dividing by 5}$$

$$= 7 : 5$$



3. If $3(4x - 5y) = 2x - 7y$, find the ratio $x : y$.

Solution:

$$3(4x - 5y) = 2x - 7y$$

$$12x - 15y = 2x - 7y$$

$$12x - 2x = 15 - 7y$$

$$10x = 8y$$

$$\frac{10x}{y} = \frac{8y}{y} \quad (\text{Dividing both sides by } y, \text{ we get})$$

$$\frac{10x}{y} = 8$$

$$\frac{10}{10} \times \frac{x}{y} = \frac{8}{10} \quad (\text{Dividing both sides by } 10, \text{ we get})$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{4}{5}$$

or $x : y = 4 : 5$

4. Find the value of p , if the ratio $2p + 5 : 3p + 4$ and $3 : 4$ are equal.

Solution: As the given ratios are equal, so

$$2p + 5 : 3p + 4 = 3 : 4$$

$$\frac{2p + 5}{3p + 4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$3(3p + 4) = 4(2p + 5)$$

$$9p + 12 = 8p + 20$$

$$9p - 8p = 20 - 12$$

$$-p = -8$$

$$\text{Thus } p = 8$$

5. If the ratio $3x + 1 : 6 + 4x$ and $2 : 5$ are equal. Find the value of x .

Solution: As the given ratios are equal, so

$$3x + 1 : 6 + 4x = 2 : 5$$

$$\frac{3x + 1}{6 + 4x} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$5(3x + 1) = 2(6 + 4x)$$

$$15x + 5 = 12 + 8x$$

$$15x - 8x = 12 - 5$$

$$7x = 7$$



Dividing both sides by 7, we get

$$x = \frac{7}{7}$$

$$x = 1$$

6. Two numbers are in the ratio 5 : 8. If 9 is added to each number, we get a new ratio 8 : 11. Find the numbers.

Solution: Let the required numbers be $5x, 8x$
Therefore according to given condition

$$\frac{5x+9}{8x+9} = \frac{8}{11}$$

$$11(5x + 9) = 8(8x + 9)$$

$$55x + 99 = 64x + 72$$

$$55x - 64x = 72 - 99$$

$$-9x = -27$$

$$x = \frac{-27}{-9}$$

$$x = 3$$

Therefore required numbers are: $5x, 8x$
 $= 5(3), (8)(3) = 15, 24$

7. If 10 is added in each number of the ratio 4 : 13, we get a new ratio 1 : 2. What are numbers?

Solution: Let the required numbers be $4x, 13x$
Therefore according to given condition

$$\frac{4x+10}{13x+10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2(4x + 10) = 1(13x + 10)$$

$$8x + 20 = 13x + 10$$

$$8x - 13 = 10 - 20$$

$$-5x = -10$$

$$x = 2$$

Therefore required numbers are: $4x, 13x$
 $= (4)(2), (13)(2)$
 $= 8, 26$

8. Find the cost of 8kg of mangoes, if 5kg of mangoes cost Rs. 250.

Solution: Let Rs. x be the cost of 8kg of mangoes.
Then in proportion, we have

$$8\text{kg} : 5\text{kg} :: \text{Rs } x : \text{Rs } 250$$



Product of means = Product of extremes

$$5x = 8 \times 250$$

$$x = \frac{8 \times 250}{5}$$

$$x = 8 \times 50 \\ = \text{Rs. 400}$$

9. If $a : b = 7 : 6$, find the value of $3a + 5b : 7b - 5a$.

Solution: Given that $a : b = 7 : 6$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{7}{6}$$

Also $= 3a + 5b : 7b - 5a$

Dividing throughout by b .

$$= \frac{3a}{b} + \frac{5b}{b} : \frac{7b}{b} - \frac{5a}{b}$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) + 5 : 7 - 5\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{7}{6}\right) + 5 : 7 - 5\left(\frac{7}{6}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{2}\right) + 5 : 7 - \left(\frac{35}{6}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{7 + 10}{2}\right) : \left(\frac{42 - 35}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{17}{2} : \frac{7}{6}$$

Multiplying by 6, we get

$$6\left(\frac{17}{2}\right) : 6\left(\frac{7}{6}\right)$$

$$= 51 : 7$$

Hence $3a + 5b : 7b - 5a = 51 : 7$

10. Complete the following:

(i) If $\frac{24}{7} = \frac{6}{x}$ then $4x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Solution:

$$\frac{24}{7} = \frac{6}{x}$$

$$24x = 6 \times 7$$

$$\frac{24x}{6} = \frac{6 \times 7}{6}$$

$$4x = 7$$



(ii) If $\frac{5a}{3x} = \frac{15b}{y}$ then $ay =$ _____

Solution: $\frac{5a}{3x} = \frac{15b}{y}$

$$5ay = (15b)(3x)$$

$$ay = \frac{(15b)(3x)}{5} = 9bx$$

(iii) If $\frac{9pq}{21m} = \frac{18p}{5m}$ then $5q =$ _____

Solution: $\frac{9pq}{21m} = \frac{18p}{5m}$ *Dividing by 9p, we get*

$$\frac{q}{21m} = \frac{2}{5m}$$

$$q = \frac{2(21m)}{5m}$$

$$q = \frac{4l}{5}$$

Hence $5q = 4l$

11. Find x in the following proportions.

(i) $3x - 2 : 4 :: 2x + 3 : 7$

Solution: $3x - 2 : 4 :: 2x + 3 : 7$

Product of extremes = Product of means

$$7(3x - 2) = 4(2x + 3)$$

$$21x - 14 = 8x + 12$$

$$21x - 8x = 12 + 14$$

$$13x = 26$$

$$x = \frac{26}{13}$$

$$x = 2$$

(ii) $\frac{3x-1}{7} : \frac{3}{5} :: \frac{2x}{3} : \frac{7}{5}$

Solution: $\frac{3x-1}{7} : \frac{3}{5} :: \frac{2x}{3} : \frac{7}{5}$

Product of extremes = Product of means

$$\left(\frac{7}{5}\right) \left(\frac{3x-1}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \left(\frac{2x}{3}\right)$$

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



$$3x - 1 = 2x$$

$$3x - 2x = 1$$

$$x = 1$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{x-3}{2} : \frac{5}{x-1} :: \frac{x-1}{3} : \frac{4}{x+4}$$

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{x-3}{2} : \frac{5}{x-1} :: \frac{x-1}{3} : \frac{4}{x+4}$$

Product of extremes = Product of means

$$\left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right) \left(\frac{4}{x+4}\right) = \left(\frac{5}{x-1}\right) \left(\frac{x-1}{3}\right)$$

$$\frac{2(x-3)}{x+4} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$2 \times 3(x-3) = 5(x+4)$$

$$6x - 18 = 5x + 20$$

$$6x - 5x = 20 + 18$$

$$x = 38$$

$$(iv) \quad p^2 + pq + q^2 : x :: \frac{p^3 - q^3}{p+q} : (p-q)^2$$

$$\text{Solution: } x : p^2 + pq + q^2 :: (p-q)^2 : \frac{p^3 - q^3}{p+q}$$

$$\frac{x}{p^2 + pq + q^2} = \frac{(p-q)^2}{p^3 - q^3} \times (p+q)$$

$$x = \frac{(p-q)^2(p+q)}{p^3 - q^3} \times (p^2 + pq + q^2)$$

$$= \frac{(p-q)(p-q)(p+q)}{(p-q)(p^2 + pq + q^2)} \times (p^2 + pq + q^2)$$

$$(p-q)(p+q)$$

$$x = p^2 - q^2$$

$$(v) \quad 8 - x : 11 - x :: 16 - x : 25 - x$$

$$\text{Solution: } 8 - x : 11 - x :: 16 - x : 25 - x$$

Product of extremes = Product of means

$$(8-x)(25-x) = (11-x)(16-x)$$

$$200 - 3x + x^2 = 176 - 27x + x^2$$

$$x^2 - 33x - x^2 + 27x = 176 - 200$$

$$-6x = -24$$



$$x = \frac{-24}{-6}$$

$$x = 4$$

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