

RATIOS

A DEFINITION

A.1 EXPRESSING RATIOS IN DIFFERENT FORMS

Ex 1: The ratio 3 to 2 is $\boxed{3}:\boxed{2}$.

Answer: The ratio 3 to 2 can be expressed as 3 : 2 or $\frac{3}{2}$.

Ex 2: The ratio 5 to 4 is $\boxed{5}:\boxed{4}$.

Answer: The ratio 5 to 4 can be expressed as 5 : 4 or $\frac{5}{4}$.

Ex 3: The ratio 7 to 3 is $\boxed{7}:\boxed{3}$.

Answer: The ratio 7 to 3 can be expressed as 7 : 3 or $\frac{7}{3}$.

Ex 4: The ratio 8 to 5 is $\boxed{8}:\boxed{5}$.

Answer: The ratio 8 to 5 can be expressed as 8 : 5 or $\frac{8}{5}$.

Ex 5: The ratio 10 to 6 is $\boxed{10}:\boxed{6}$.

Answer: The ratio 10 to 6 can be expressed as 10 : 6 or $\frac{10}{6}$.

B PART-PART AND PART-WHOLE RATIOS

B.1 FINDING RATIOS IN PART-PART

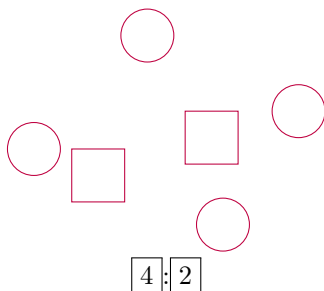
Ex 6: What is the ratio of girls to boys?



Answer:

- There are 2 girls.
- There are 3 boys.
- The ratio of girls to boys is 2 : 3 or $\frac{2}{3}$.

Ex 7: What is the ratio of circles to rectangles?

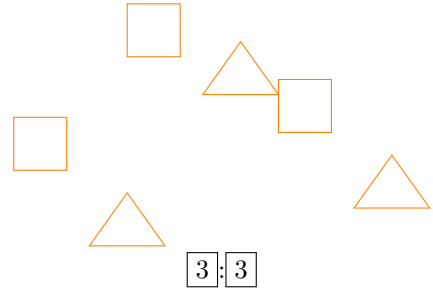


Answer:

- There are 4 circles.
- There are 2 rectangles.

- The ratio of circles to rectangles is 4 : 2 or $\frac{4}{2}$.

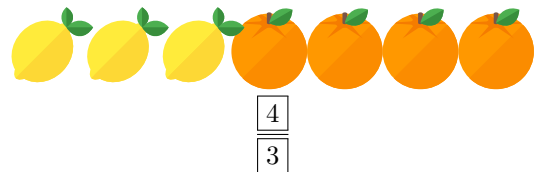
Ex 8: What is the ratio of squares to triangles?



Answer:

- There are 3 squares.
- There are 3 triangles.
- The ratio of squares to triangles is 3 : 3 or $\frac{3}{3}$.

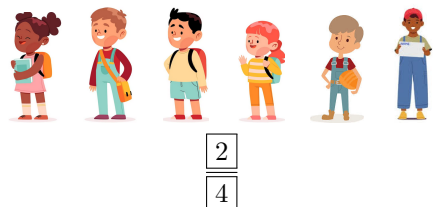
Ex 9: What is the ratio of oranges to lemons?



Answer:

- There are 4 oranges.
- There are 3 lemons.
- The ratio of oranges to lemons is $\frac{4}{3}$, or 4 : 3.

Ex 10: What is the ratio of girls to boys?



Answer:

- There are 2 girls.
- There are 4 boys.
- The ratio of girls to boys is $\frac{2}{4}$, or 2 : 4.

B.2 FINDING RATIOS IN PART-WHOLE

Ex 11: What is the ratio of girls to kids?



2 : 5

Answer:

- There are 2 girls.
- There are 5 kids.
- The ratio of girls to kids is 2 : 5 or $\frac{2}{5}$.

Ex 12: What is the ratio of boys to kids?



1 : 4

Answer:

- There is 1 boy.
- There are 4 kids.
- The ratio of boys to kids is 1 : 4 or $\frac{1}{4}$.

Ex 13: Louis loves to play sports. In all, he has earned 5 swimming medals, 3 running medals, 6 cycling medals, and 2 triathlon medals.

What is the ratio of Louis's swimming medals to all of his medals?

5 : 16

Answer:

- Louis has earned 5 swimming medals.

$$5 + 3 + 6 + 2 = 16$$

Louis has earned 16 total medals.

- The ratio of swimming medals to all of his medals is 5 : 16 or $\frac{5}{16}$.

Ex 14: Anna loves to read books. In all, she has read 12 mystery novels, 8 science fiction novels, 5 fantasy novels, and 3 historical novels.

What is the ratio of Anna's mystery novels to all of her books?

12 : 28

Answer:

- Anna has read 12 mystery novels.

$$12 + 8 + 5 + 3 = 28$$

Anna has read 28 books in total.

- The ratio of mystery novels to all of her books is 12 : 28 or $\frac{12}{28}$.

Ex 15: The table shows the number of different types of birds that are swimming at a lake.

Bird	Number
Seagulls	1
Ducks	9
Geese	7
Swans	2

What is the ratio of swans to total birds?

2 : 19

Answer:

- There are 2 swans.
- There are $1 + 9 + 7 + 2 = 19$ birds.
- The ratio of swans to total birds is 2 : 19 or $\frac{2}{19}$.

Ex 16: The table shows the number of different types of fruits in a basket.

Fruit	Number
Apples	3
Oranges	5
Bananas	4
Grapes	6

What is the ratio of apples to total fruits?

3 : 18

Answer:

- There are 3 apples.
- There are $3 + 5 + 4 + 6 = 18$ fruits.
- The ratio of apples to total fruits is 3 : 18 or $\frac{3}{18}$.

Ex 17: The table shows the number of different types of vehicles in a parking lot.

Vehicle	Number
Cars	10
Bicycles	6
Motorcycles	4
Trucks	2

What is the ratio of trucks to total vehicles?

2 : 22

Answer:

- There are 2 trucks.
- There are $10 + 6 + 4 + 2 = 22$ vehicles.
- The ratio of trucks to total vehicles is 2 : 22 or $\frac{2}{22}$.

C EQUAL RATIOS

C.1 MULTIPLYING THE RATIOS

Ex 18: Multiply the ratio by 2:

$$3 : 5 = \boxed{6} : \boxed{10}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{3}{5} = \frac{6}{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{5} &= \frac{3 \times 2}{5 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{6}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 3 : 5 = 6 : 10.$$

Ex 19: Multiply the ratio by 3:

$$4 : 7 = \boxed{12} : \boxed{21}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{4}{7} = \frac{12}{21}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4}{7} &= \frac{4 \times 3}{7 \times 3} \\ &= \frac{12}{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 4 : 7 = 12 : 21.$$

Ex 20: Multiply the ratio by 4:

$$5 : 3 = \boxed{20} : \boxed{12}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{5}{3} = \frac{20}{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5}{3} &= \frac{5 \times 4}{3 \times 4} \\ &= \frac{20}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 5 : 3 = 20 : 12.$$

Ex 21: Multiply the ratio by 5:

$$2 : 5 = \boxed{10} : \boxed{25}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{2}{5} = \frac{10}{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{5} &= \frac{2 \times 5}{5 \times 5} \\ &= \frac{10}{25} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 2 : 5 = 10 : 25.$$

C.2 FINDING THE MISSING VALUE

Ex 22:

$$1 : 2 = 2 : \boxed{4}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} &= \frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 1 : 2 = 2 : 4.$$

Ex 23:

$$2 : 3 = \boxed{4} : 6$$

Answer:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{3} &= \frac{2 \times 2}{3 \times 2} \\ &= \frac{4}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet 2 : 3 = 4 : 6.$$

Ex 24:

$$3 : 5 = 9 : \boxed{15}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{3}{5} = \frac{9}{15}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{5} &= \frac{3 \times 3}{5 \times 3} \\ &= \frac{9}{15} \end{aligned}$$

- $3 : 5 = 9 : 15$.

Ex 25:

$$4 : 7 = \boxed{8} : 14$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{4}{7} = \frac{8}{14}$$

$$\bullet \frac{4}{7} = \frac{4 \times 2}{7 \times 2} = \frac{8}{14}$$

- $4 : 7 = 8 : 14$.

Ex 26:

$$2 : 3 = 8 : \boxed{12}$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$$

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

- $2 : 3 = 8 : 12$.

Ex 27:

$$3 : 2 = \boxed{30} : 20$$

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{3}{2} = \frac{30}{20}$$

$$\bullet \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3 \times 10}{2 \times 10} = \frac{30}{20}$$

- $3 : 2 = 30 : 20$.

D PROPORTION

D.1 IDENTIFYING THE PROPORTION

MCQ 28: Two vinaigrettes are being prepared:

- Vinaigrette A is made with 2 mL of oil and 1 mL of vinegar.
- Vinaigrette B is made with 4 mL of oil and 2 mL of vinegar.

Will these two vinaigrettes taste the same?

- Yes
 No

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{2}{1} = \frac{4}{2}$$

- Since both ratios are equal, there is a proportion. So, the vinaigrettes will taste the same.

MCQ 29: On the cement package, it is indicated: 2 kilos of cement for 3 liters of water.

A worker prepares a mixture with 4 kilos of cement and 6 liters of water.

Did he follow the recommended proportions?

- Yes
 No

Answer:

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

- Since the two ratios are equal, the worker followed the recommended proportions.

MCQ 30: Two smoothie recipes are being prepared:

- Smoothie A is made with 3 cups of fruit and 2 cups of yogurt.
- Smoothie B is made with 6 cups of fruit and 4 cups of yogurt.

Will these two smoothies taste the same?

- Yes
 No

Answer:

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

- Since both ratios are equal, the proportions are the same. Therefore, the smoothies will taste the same.

MCQ 31: A gardener uses a fertilizer mix:

- The recommended mix is 5 grams of fertilizer per 2 liters of water.
- The gardener prepares a mixture with 10 grams of fertilizer and 4 liters of water.

Did the gardener follow the recommended proportions?

- Yes
- No

Answer:

$$\bullet \frac{5}{2} = \frac{10}{4}$$

- Since both ratios are equal, the gardener followed the recommended proportions.

E UNITARY METHOD

E.1 BRINGING TO THE UNIT

Ex 32: A satellite makes 4 orbits around the Earth in 24 hours. How many hours does it take to complete one orbit?

6 hours

Answer: For 4 orbits, it takes 24 hours. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 orbit, we divide both the number of orbits and the number of hours by 4:

$$\frac{24}{4} = \frac{6}{1}$$

Thus, to make 1 orbit, it takes 6 hours.

Ex 33: A car travels 500 kilometers in 5 hours. How many kilometers does it travel in 1 hour?

100 kilometers

Answer: For 5 hours, the car travels 500 kilometers. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 hour, we divide both the number of kilometers and the number of hours by 5:

$$\frac{500}{5} = \frac{100}{1}$$

Thus, to travel 1 hour, the car covers 100 kilometers.

Ex 34: A factory produces 720 widgets in 8 hours. How many widgets does it produce in 1 hour?

90 widgets

Answer: For 8 hours, the factory produces 720 widgets. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 hour, we divide both the number of widgets and the number of hours by 8:

$$\frac{720}{8} = \frac{90}{1}$$

Thus, in 1 hour, the factory produces 90 widgets.

Ex 35: A baker uses 2 kilograms of flour to make 4 loaves of bread. How many kilograms of flour does it take to make 1 loaf of bread?

0.5 kilograms

Answer: For 4 loaves, the baker uses 2 kilograms of flour. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 loaf, we divide both the number of kilograms and the number of loaves by 4:

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{0.5}{1}$$

Thus, to make 1 loaf of bread, it takes 0.5 kilograms of flour.

E.2 CALCULATING FROM THE UNIT

Ex 36: To make 1 chocolate cake, 4 eggs are needed. How many eggs are needed to make 2 cakes?

8 eggs

Answer: For 1 cake, it takes 4 eggs. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 2 cakes, you multiply both the number of cakes and the number of eggs by 2:

$$\frac{4}{1} = \frac{8}{2}$$

Thus, to make 2 chocolate cakes, you need 8 eggs.

Ex 37: The price of 1 kilogram of apples is \$2.5. What is the price for 3 kilograms of apples?

\$ 7.5

Answer: The price for 1 kilogram of apples is \$2.5. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 3 kilograms, you multiply the price by 3:

$$\frac{2.5}{1} = \frac{7.5}{3}$$

Thus, the price for 3 kilograms of apples is \$7.5.

Ex 38: To build 1 bookshelf, 10 wooden planks are needed. How many wooden planks are needed to build 3 bookshelves?

30 wooden planks

Answer: For 1 bookshelf, it takes 10 wooden planks. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 3 bookshelves, you multiply both the number of bookshelves and the number of wooden planks by 3:

$$\frac{10}{1} = \frac{30}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Thus, to build 3 bookshelves, you need 30 wooden planks.

Ex 39: To paint 1 m², 0.2 liters of paint are needed. How many liters of paint are needed to paint 3 m²?

0.6 liters of paint

Answer: For 1 m², it takes 0.2 liters of paint. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 3 m², you multiply both the area and the number of liters of paint by 3:

$$\frac{0.2}{1} = \frac{0.6}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Thus, to paint 3 m², you need 0.6 liters of paint.

E.3 CONVERTING TO AND FROM THE UNIT

Ex 40: To make a special juice mix, you need 5 apples for every 15 oranges. How many oranges do you need if you have 3 apples?

9 oranges

Answer:

- **To the unit:** For 5 apples, you need 15 oranges. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 apple, we divide both the number of oranges and the number of apples by 5:

$$\frac{15}{5} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$\xrightarrow{\div 5}$
 $\xleftarrow{\div 5}$

Thus, for 1 apple, you need 3 oranges.

- **From the unit:** For 1 apple, you need 3 oranges. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 3 apples, we multiply both the number of oranges and the number of apples by 3:

$$\frac{3}{1} = \frac{9}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Thus, for 3 apples, you need 9 oranges.

$$\frac{15}{5} = \frac{3}{1} = \frac{9}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\div 5} \quad \xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\div 5} \quad \xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Ex 41: A baker uses 2 kilograms of flour to make 4 loaves of bread. How many kilograms of flour does it take to make 3 loaf of bread?

1.5 kilograms

Answer:

- **To the unit:** For 4 loaves, the baker uses 2 kilograms of flour. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 loaf, we divide both the number of kilograms and the number of loaves by 4:

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{0.5}{1}$$

$\xrightarrow{\div 4}$
 $\xleftarrow{\div 4}$

Thus, to make 1 loaf of bread, it takes 0.5 kilograms of flour.

- **From the unit:** For 1 loaves, the baker uses 0.5 kilograms of flour. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 3 loaf, we multiply both the number of kilograms and the number of loaves by 3:

$$\frac{0.5}{1} = \frac{1.5}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Thus, to make 3 loaf of bread, it takes 1.5 kilograms of flour.

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{0.5}{1} = \frac{1.5}{3}$$

$\xrightarrow{\div 4} \quad \xrightarrow{\times 3}$
 $\xleftarrow{\div 4} \quad \xleftarrow{\times 3}$

Ex 42: An artist mixes 3 liters of red paint with 6 liters of blue paint to create a purple shade. How many liters of red paint are needed to mix with 9 liters of blue paint to maintain the same shade of purple?

4.5 liters

Answer:

- **To the unit:** For 6 liters of blue paint, the artist uses 3 liters of red paint. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 liter of blue paint, we divide both the number of liters of red paint and blue paint by 6:

$$\frac{3}{6} = \frac{0.5}{1}$$

$\xrightarrow{\div 6}$
 $\xleftarrow{\div 6}$

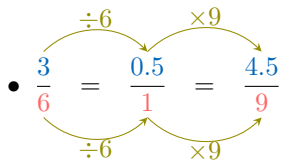
Thus, to mix with 1 liter of blue paint, it takes 0.5 liters of red paint.

- **From the unit:** For 1 liter of blue paint, the artist uses 0.5 liters of red paint. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 9 liters of blue paint, we multiply both the number of liters of red paint and blue paint by 9:

$$\frac{0.5}{1} = \frac{4.5}{9}$$

$\xrightarrow{\times 9}$
 $\xleftarrow{\times 9}$

Thus, to mix with 9 liters of blue paint, it takes 4.5 liters of red paint.

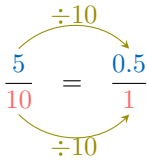


Ex 43: To make a magic potion, you need 10 drops of dragon's blood for every 5 drops of phoenix tears. How many drops of phoenix tears do you need if you have 4 drops of dragon's blood?

2 drops of phoenix tears

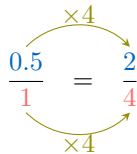
Answer:

- To the unit:** For 10 drops of dragon's blood, you need 5 drops of phoenix tears. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 1 drop of dragon's blood, we divide both the number of drops of phoenix tears and the number of drops of dragon's blood by 10:

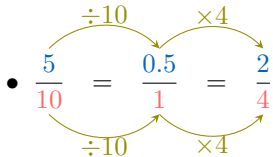


Thus, for 1 drop of dragon's blood, you need 0.5 drops of phoenix tears.

- From the unit:** For 1 drop of dragon's blood, you need 0.5 drops of phoenix tears. Therefore, to maintain this proportion for 4 drops of dragon's blood, we multiply both the number of drops of phoenix tears and the number of drops of dragon's blood by 4:



Thus, for 4 drops of dragon's blood, you need 2 drops of phoenix tears.

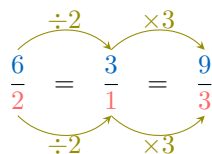


E.4 SOLVING NUMERATOR

Ex 44:

$$\frac{6}{2} = \frac{\boxed{9}}{3}$$

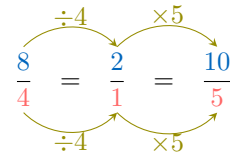
Answer:



Ex 45:

$$\frac{8}{4} = \frac{\boxed{10}}{5}$$

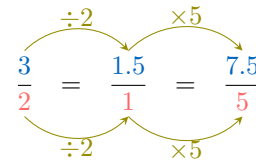
Answer:



Ex 46:

$$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{\boxed{7.5}}{5}$$

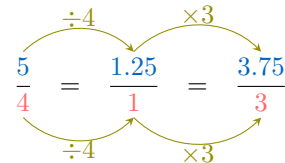
Answer:



Ex 47: You can use a calculator.

$$\frac{5}{4} = \frac{\boxed{3.75}}{3}$$

Answer:

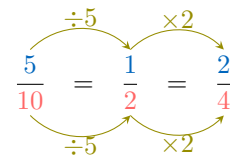


E.5 SOLVING DENOMINATOR

Ex 48:

$$\frac{5}{10} = \frac{2}{\boxed{4}}$$

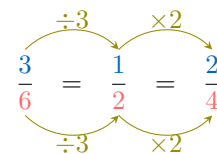
Answer:



Ex 49:

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

Answer:



Ex 50: You can use a calculator.

$$\frac{4}{5} = \frac{3}{\boxed{3.75}}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{4}{5} \xrightarrow{\div 4} \frac{1}{1.25} \xrightarrow{\times 3} \frac{3}{3.75}$$

Ex 51: You can use a calculator.

$$\frac{5}{2} = \frac{3}{\boxed{1.2}}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{5}{2} \xrightarrow{\div 5} \frac{1}{0.4} \xrightarrow{\times 3} \frac{3}{1.2}$$

F CROSS-MULTIPLICATION METHOD

F.1 FINDING A QUANTITY

Ex 52: 4 tickets cost 28 dollars. Find the cost of 6 tickets (you can use a calculator).

$$\boxed{42} \text{ dollars}$$

Answer:

- Method 1: Cross Multiplication in a Table

Price	$\frac{28}{4}$	$\frac{6 \times 28}{4} = 42$
Number of tickets	4	6

So, 6 tickets cost 42 dollars.

- Method 2: Unitary Rate with Equivalent Ratios

$$\frac{28}{4} \xrightarrow{\div 4} \frac{7}{1} \xrightarrow{\times 6} \frac{42}{6}$$

So, 6 tickets cost 42 dollars.

- Method 3: Cross Multiplication Equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{28}{4} &= \frac{x}{6} \\ 4 \times x &= 28 \times 6 \quad (\text{cross multiplication}) \\ x &= \frac{28 \times 6}{4} \\ x &= 42 \end{aligned}$$

So, 6 tickets cost 42 dollars.

- Method 4: Unit Rate in Words

– 4 tickets cost 28 dollars, so 1 ticket costs $28 \div 4 = 7$ dollars.

– 6 tickets cost $7 \times 6 = 42$ dollars.

Ex 53: A recipe requires 200 grams of flour to make 8 cookies. How much flour is needed to make 12 cookies (you can use a calculator).

$$\boxed{300} \text{ grams}$$

Answer:

- Method 1: Cross Multiplication in a Table

Flour (grams)	$\frac{200}{8}$	$\frac{12 \times 200}{8} = 300$
Number of cookies	8	12

So, 12 cookies need 300 grams of flour.

- Method 2: Unitary Rate with Equivalent Ratios

$$\frac{200}{8} \xrightarrow{\div 8} \frac{25}{1} \xrightarrow{\times 12} \frac{300}{12}$$

So, 12 cookies need 300 grams of flour.

- Method 3: Cross Multiplication Equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{200}{8} &= \frac{x}{12} \\ 8 \times x &= 200 \times 12 \quad (\text{cross multiplication}) \\ x &= \frac{200 \times 12}{8} \\ x &= 300 \end{aligned}$$

So, 12 cookies need 300 grams of flour.

- Method 4: Unit Rate in Words

– 8 cookies need 200 grams of flour, so 1 cookie needs $200 \div 8 = 25$ grams of flour.

– 12 cookies need $25 \times 12 = 300$ grams of flour.

Ex 54: To make a certain shade of paint, you need 1.5 liters of blue paint for every 3 liters of base paint. How much blue paint is needed if you have 4.5 liters of base paint (you can use a calculator).

$$\boxed{2.25} \text{ liters}$$

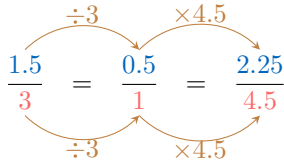
Answer:

- Method 1: Cross Multiplication in a Table

Blue paint (liters)	$\frac{1.5}{3}$	$\frac{4.5 \times 1.5}{3} = 2.25$
Base paint (liters)	3	4.5

So, you need 2.25 liters of blue paint.

• **Method 2: Unitary Rate with Equivalent Ratios**



So, you need 2.25 liters of blue paint.

• **Method 3: Cross Multiplication Equation**

$$\frac{1.5}{3} = \frac{x}{4.5}$$

$$3 \times x = 1.5 \times 4.5 \quad (\text{cross multiplication})$$

$$x = \frac{1.5 \times 4.5}{3}$$

$$x = 2.25$$

So, you need 2.25 liters of blue paint.

• **Method 4: Unit Rate in Words**

- 3 liters of base paint need 1.5 liters of blue paint, so 1 liter of base paint needs $1.5 \div 3 = 0.5$ liters of blue paint.
- 4.5 liters of base paint need $0.5 \times 4.5 = 2.25$ liters of blue paint.

Ex 55: A car travels 120 kilometers on 7.5 liters of fuel. Assuming the car's fuel consumption rate is constant, how much fuel is needed to travel 200 kilometers (you can use a calculator).

12.5 liters

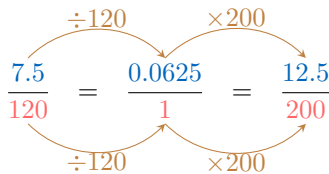
Answer:

• **Method 1: Cross Multiplication in a Table**

Fuel (liters)	7.5 \div	$\frac{200 \times 7.5}{120} = 12.5$
Distance (kilometers)	120	\times 200

So, you need 12.5 liters of fuel.

• **Method 2: Unitary Rate with Equivalent Ratios**



So, you need 12.5 liters of fuel.

• **Method 3: Cross Multiplication Equation**

$$\frac{7.5}{120} = \frac{x}{200}$$

$$120 \times x = 7.5 \times 200 \quad (\text{cross multiplication})$$

$$x = \frac{7.5 \times 200}{120}$$

$$x = 12.5$$

So, you need 12.5 liters of fuel.

• **Method 4: Unit Rate in Words**

- 120 kilometers need 7.5 liters of fuel, so 1 kilometer needs $7.5 \div 120 = 0.0625$ liters of fuel.
- 200 kilometers need $0.0625 \times 200 = 12.5$ liters of fuel.

Ex 56: On a map, 4 centimeters represents a real distance of 10 kilometers. If two cities are 6 centimeters apart on the map, what is the actual distance between them in kilometers (you can use a calculator).

15 kilometers

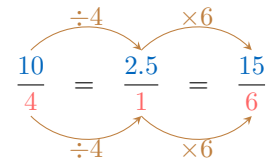
Answer:

• **Method 1: Cross Multiplication in a Table**

Real Distance (km)	10 \div	$\frac{6 \times 10}{4} = 15$
Map Distance (cm)	4	\times 6

So, the actual distance is 15 kilometers.

• **Method 2: Unitary Rate with Equivalent Ratios**



So, the actual distance is 15 kilometers.

• **Method 3: Cross Multiplication Equation**

$$\frac{10}{4} = \frac{x}{6}$$

$$4 \times x = 10 \times 6 \quad (\text{cross multiplication})$$

$$x = \frac{10 \times 6}{4}$$

$$x = 15$$

So, the actual distance is 15 kilometers.

• **Method 4: Unit Rate in Words**

- 4 centimeters on the map represent 10 kilometers in reality, so 1 centimeter represents $10 \div 4 = 2.5$ kilometers.
- 6 centimeters on the map represent $2.5 \times 6 = 15$ kilometers in reality.

