

# Multiply and divide improper and mixed fractions

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- 1 Dora and Teddy are working out  $3\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5}$

**Dora**

$$\begin{aligned}3\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} &= 3 \times \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} \\&= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{10} \\&= \frac{6}{10} + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{7}{10}\end{aligned}$$

**Teddy**

$$\begin{aligned}3\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} &= \frac{7}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} \\&= \frac{7}{10}\end{aligned}$$

Whose method do you prefer? Talk about it with a partner.



- 2 Complete the calculations. Show all your workings.

a)  $2\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \boxed{\frac{8}{9}}$

d)  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3 = \boxed{16\frac{1}{2}}$

b)  $3\frac{1}{6} \times 2 = \boxed{6\frac{1}{3}}$

e)  $3 \times 2\frac{3}{4} = \boxed{8\frac{1}{4}}$

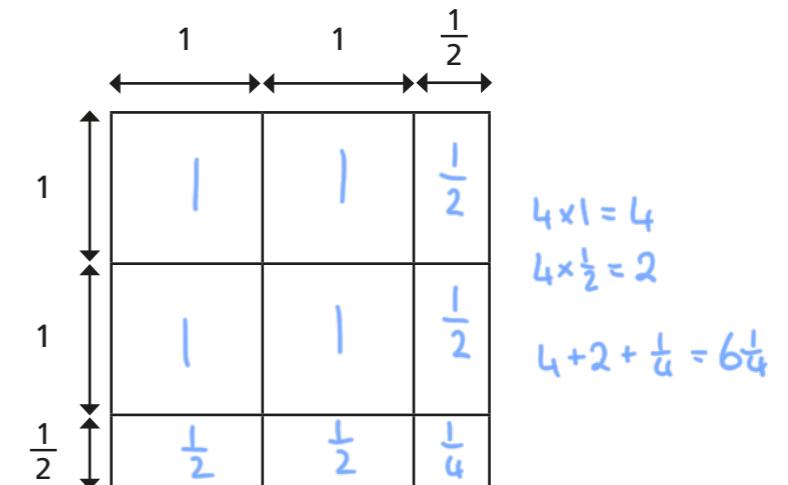
c)  $5 \times 1\frac{3}{10} = \boxed{6\frac{1}{2}}$

f)  $2 \times 1\frac{3}{5} \times 3 = \boxed{9\frac{3}{5}}$

- 3 Dexter works out  $(2\frac{1}{2})^2$

$$2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2} \times \frac{5}{2} = \frac{25}{4} = 6\frac{1}{4}$$

Use the diagram to show that Dexter's answer is correct.



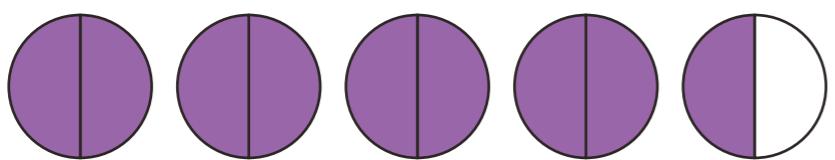
- 4 Work out these multiplications.

a)  $2\frac{2}{3} \times 2\frac{1}{3} = \boxed{6\frac{2}{9}}$

c)  $\frac{9}{10} \times 3\frac{1}{4} = \boxed{2\frac{37}{40}}$

b)  $3\frac{5}{6} \times 2\frac{1}{2} = \boxed{9\frac{7}{12}}$

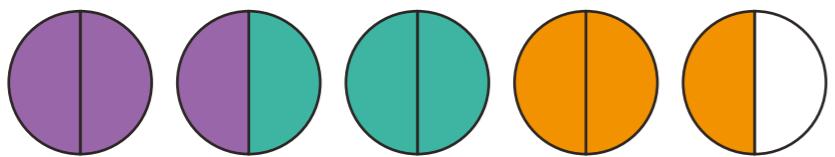
- 5 a) How does the diagram represent  $4\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{2} = 9$ ?



Discuss it with a partner.



- b) How does this diagram represent  $4\frac{1}{2} \div 1\frac{1}{2} = 3$ ?



Discuss it with a partner.

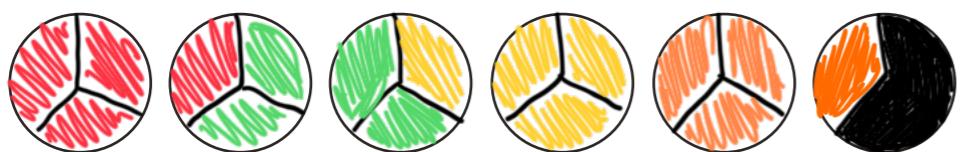


- c) Complete the calculations. Use the diagrams to help you.

$$6\frac{1}{4} \div 1\frac{1}{4} = \boxed{5}$$



$$5\frac{1}{3} \div 1\frac{1}{3} = \boxed{4}$$



- 6 Complete the calculations.

a)  $3\frac{1}{2} \div 2 = \boxed{\frac{7}{4}} = 1\frac{3}{4}$

c)  $3\frac{1}{2} \div 2\frac{1}{4} = \boxed{\frac{14}{9}} = 1\frac{5}{9}$

b)  $3\frac{1}{2} \div 2\frac{1}{2} = \boxed{\frac{7}{5}} = 1\frac{2}{5}$

d)  $6\frac{1}{4} \div 3\frac{1}{8} = \boxed{2}$

- 7 a) How many pieces of wood  $1\frac{3}{4}$  m long can be cut from a length of 9 m?

$$\boxed{5\frac{1}{7}}$$

- b) Find the area of a triangle with a base of  $3\frac{5}{8}$  cm and perpendicular height of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cm.

$$\boxed{4\frac{17}{32} \text{ cm}^2}$$

- c) A parallelogram with a base of 3.25 cm has an area of 12.6 cm<sup>2</sup>. Use fractions to work out the height of the parallelogram.

$$\boxed{3\frac{57}{65} \text{ cm}}$$