

6th Grade
Multiplying Fractions

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- change to improper if necessary
- multiply straight across
- reduce if necessary

$$1) \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{9}{10} = \frac{18}{30} \xrightarrow{\div 6} \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{18}{30} \xrightarrow{\div 2} \frac{9}{15} \xrightarrow{\div 3} \frac{3}{5}$$

$$2) \frac{6}{1} \times \frac{3}{5} = \frac{18}{5}$$

$$3) 2\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{11}{4} \rightarrow \frac{2}{3} = \frac{22}{12} \xrightarrow{\div 2} \frac{11}{6}$$

Multiplying Fractions - Method 2

- change mixed numbers to improper fractions
- divide out common factors in the #'s diagonal from each other
- then multiply straight across.

$$4) 2\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{15}{8} = \frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{15}{8} = \frac{1}{1} \cdot \frac{5}{1} = \frac{5}{1} = 5$$

$$5) \frac{10}{1} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{5}{1} \rightarrow \frac{3}{1} = \frac{15}{1} = 15$$

Try this:

$$5) \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$6) \frac{2}{3} + \frac{9}{8}$$

Method 1

$$7) \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{4}{15} = \frac{12}{15} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Method 2

$$8) \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{8}$$

Homework

Worksheet