

**RATIOS AND PROPORTIONS
PRE-ALGEBRA**

NAME: _____
PERIOD: _____

1. Suppose a class has 14 redheads, 8 brunettes, and 6 blondes.

- a. What is the ratio of redheads to brunettes?
- b. What is the ratio of redheads to blondes?
- c. What is the ratio of blondes to brunettes?
- d. What is ratio of blondes to total students?

ANSWERS

1a. _____

1b. _____

1c. _____

1d. _____

2a. _____

2b. _____

2c. _____

2d. _____

3a. _____

3b. _____

2. Express the following as ratios in fraction form and reduce (simplify).

a. 3 to 12

b. 25 to 5

c. 6 to 30

d. 100 to 10

3. Write the unit rate for each situation.

(HINT: With unit rates and unit prices, the denominator in the ratio must be 1).

a. earn \$92 in 8 hours.

b. \$100 for 5 books

4. Find each unit price. Then determine which is the better buy.
Show work.

a. Which is the better buy –

10 pencils for \$1.10 or 30 pencils for \$3.15?

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b. Which is the better buy –

\$50 for 10 comic books or \$202.50 for 45 comic books?

ANSWERS

4a. _____

4b. _____

5a. _____

5b. _____

5c. _____

6a. _____

6b. _____

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5. Solve each proportion.

a. $\frac{3}{x} = \frac{2}{8}$

b. $\frac{2}{5} = \frac{x}{45}$

c. $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{21}{b}$

6. Use a proportion to find each missing number.

a. 175 days = _____ weeks

b. 1440 minutes = _____ hours

7. For the following problems, set up a proportion and solve.

a. At the Copy Shoppe, 18 copies cost \$1.08. At this rate, how much will 40 copies cost?

b. Three posters cost \$9.60. At this rate, how many posters could you buy for \$48?

ANSWERS

7a. _____

7b. _____

7c. _____

7d. _____

7e. _____

c. A microchip inspector found three defective chips in a batch containing 750 chips. At that rate, how many defective chips would there be in 10,000 chips.

d. You can do 12 math problems in 45 minutes. At this rate, how long will it take you to do 20 math problems.

e. A baseball team scores 4 runs in the first three innings of a 9-inning baseball game. If it continues at that rate, how many runs will it score in the game.?