Lesson 2 Reteach

Side A

Compare and Order Rational Numbers

To compare fractions, rewrite them so they have the same denominator. The least common denominator (LCD) of two fractions is the LCM of their denominators.

Another way to compare fractions is to express them as decimals. Then compare the decimals.

Example 1

Which fraction is greater, $\frac{3}{4}$, or $\frac{4}{5}$?

Method 1 Rename using the LCD.

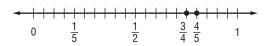
$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3 \times 5}{4 \times 5} = \frac{15}{20}$$

$$\frac{4}{5} = \frac{4 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = \frac{16}{20}$$
The LCD is 20.

Because the denominators are the same, compare numerators.

Since
$$\frac{16}{20} > \frac{15}{20}$$
, then $\frac{4}{5} > \frac{3}{4}$.

Method 2 Graph each rational number on a number line.



The number line shows that $\frac{4}{5} > \frac{3}{4}$.

Exercises

Replace each \bigcirc with <, >, or = to make a true sentence. Use a number line if necessary.

1.
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 $\frac{3}{8}$

2.
$$\frac{4}{5}$$
 $\frac{8}{10}$

3.
$$\frac{3}{4}$$
 $\frac{7}{8}$

4.
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 $\frac{5}{9}$

5.
$$\frac{9}{14}$$
 $\frac{3}{7}$

6.
$$-\frac{5}{7}$$
 $-\frac{6}{11}$

7.
$$-3\frac{1}{3}$$
 $-3\frac{2}{6}$

8.
$$4\frac{9}{10}$$
 4 $\frac{3}{5}$

Lesson 2 Skills Practice

Compare and Order Rational Numbers

Replace each with <, >, or = to make a true sentence.

1.
$$\frac{4}{7}$$
 $\frac{3}{5}$

2.
$$\frac{5}{12}$$
 $\frac{7}{24}$

3.
$$\frac{6}{28}$$
 $\frac{3}{7}$

4.
$$\frac{7}{15}$$
 $\frac{1}{4}$

5.
$$\frac{7}{11}$$
 $\frac{3}{5}$

6.
$$\frac{5}{17}$$
 $\frac{7}{8}$

7.
$$\frac{5}{12}$$
 $\frac{7}{10}$

8.
$$\frac{15}{16}$$
 $\frac{1}{4}$

9.
$$\frac{5}{8}$$
 $\frac{3}{5}$

10.
$$\frac{3}{10}$$
 $\frac{2}{9}$

11.
$$-\frac{3}{7}$$
 $-\frac{5}{7}$

12.
$$\frac{9}{12}$$
 $\frac{3}{4}$

13.
$$-\frac{4}{5}$$
 $-\frac{2}{3}$

14.
$$\frac{4}{5}$$
 $\frac{5}{4}$

15.
$$1\frac{1}{3}$$
 $1\frac{1}{2}$

16.
$$1\frac{1}{7}$$
 $\frac{8}{7}$

17.
$$3\frac{4}{7}$$
 3 $\frac{7}{8}$

18.
$$1\frac{2}{3}$$
 $1\frac{3}{4}$

Order each set of numbers from least to greatest.

19. 0.48, 0.46,
$$\frac{9}{20}$$

20. 0.99, 0.89,
$$\frac{7}{8}$$

21.
$$\frac{1}{4}$$
, 0.2, 0.4

Lesson 2 Homework Practice

Compare and Order Rational Numbers

Side B

Replace each \bigcirc with >, <, or = to make a true sentence. Use a number line if necessary.

1.
$$\frac{5}{6}$$
 $\frac{1}{3}$

1.
$$\frac{5}{6}$$
 $\frac{1}{3}$ 2. $\frac{4}{5}$ $\frac{9}{10}$

3.
$$\frac{6}{9}$$
 $\frac{4}{6}$

4.
$$\frac{2}{7}$$
 $\frac{1}{8}$

5.
$$\frac{15}{21}$$
 $\frac{12}{18}$

6.
$$\frac{24}{32}$$
 \bigcirc $\frac{36}{48}$

5.
$$\frac{15}{21}$$
 $\bigcirc \frac{12}{18}$ **6.** $\frac{24}{32}$ $\bigcirc \frac{36}{48}$ **7.** $-\frac{8}{11}$ $\bigcirc -\frac{10}{11}$ **8.** $\frac{14}{15}$ $\bigcirc \frac{19}{20}$

8.
$$\frac{14}{15}$$
 $\frac{19}{20}$

9.
$$4\frac{1}{5}$$
 $4\frac{2}{10}$

10.
$$7\frac{4}{9}$$
 $7\frac{2}{3}$

9.
$$4\frac{1}{5}$$
 $4\frac{2}{10}$ **10.** $7\frac{4}{9}$ $7\frac{2}{3}$ **11.** $-1\frac{17}{20}$ $-1\frac{8}{10}$ **12.** $9\frac{1}{2}$ $9\frac{5}{6}$

12.
$$9\frac{1}{2}$$
 $9\frac{5}{6}$

15. 4 out of 5
$$\frac{3}{4}$$

17.
$$\frac{2}{3}$$
 mile $\frac{2}{5}$ mile

18.
$$\frac{7}{10}$$
 gram 0.72 gram

19.
$$\frac{3}{8}$$
 yard $\frac{1}{4}$ yard

20.
$$2\frac{1}{2}$$
 quarts $2\frac{3}{5}$ quarts

List each set of numbers in order from least to greatest.

21.
$$\frac{3}{5}$$
, $\frac{2}{3}$, 0.65

22.
$$\frac{7}{8}$$
, 0.98, $\frac{8}{9}$

23.
$$0.2, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{12}$$

- 24. BASEBALL The pitchers for the home team had 12 strikeouts for 32 batters, while the pitchers for the visiting team had 15 strikeouts for 35 batters. Which pitching team had a greater fraction of strikeouts?
- **25. TRANSPORTATION** To get to school, $\frac{19}{50}$ of the students ride in the family vehicle, 5 out of 12 students ride on the school bus, and 0.12 of the students ride a bike. Order the types of transportation students use to get to school from least to greatest.

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Lesson 2 Problem-Solving Practice

Compare and Order Rational Numbers

- 1. RAIN The amount of rainfall was measured after a recent storm. The north side of town received $\frac{7}{8}$ inch of rain, and the south side received $\frac{13}{15}$ inch of rain. Which side of town received more rain from the storm?
- **2. MOVIES** Because he sees movies at his local theater so often, Delmar is being offered a discount. He can have either $\frac{1}{3}$ off his next ticket or $\frac{3}{10}$ off his next ticket. Which discount should Delmar choose? Explain.
- **3. TRACK** Willie runs the 110-meter hurdles in $17\frac{3}{5}$ seconds, and Anier runs it in $17\frac{6}{11}$ seconds. Which runner is faster?
- **4. FARMING** Cassie successfully harvested $\frac{7}{12}$ of her crop, and Robert successfully harvested $\frac{29}{50}$ of his crop. Which person successfully harvested the larger portion of his or her crop?
- **5. TRANSPORTATION** My-Lien has enough room in her truck to move 3.385 tons of gravel. Her father has asked her to move $3\frac{5}{16}$ tons. Will My-Lien be able to move all of the gravel in only one trip? Explain.
- **6. WOOD WORKING** Kishi has a bolt that is $\frac{5}{8}$ inch wide, and she drilled a hole 0.6 inch wide. Is the hole large enough to fit the bolt? Explain.

- **7. PIZZA** In a recent pizza-eating contest, Alfonso ate $1\frac{3}{8}$ pizzas, Della ate $1\frac{3}{10}$ pizzas, and Jack ate $1\frac{4}{9}$ pizzas. Which person won the contest?
- **8. STUDYING** For a recent algebra exam, Pat studied $1\frac{8}{15}$ hours, Toni studied $1\frac{11}{20}$ hours, and Morgan studied $1\frac{9}{16}$ hours. List the students in order by who studied the most.