# **Chapter – 2 Fractions and Decimals**

# Exercise 2.3

- 1. Find:
  - (i) 1/4 of (a) 1/4 (b) 3/5 (c) 4/5
  - (ii) 1/7 of (a) 2/9 (b) 6/5 (c) 3/10

### **Answer:**

- (i) We have,
- (a)  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{1}{4}$
- $=\frac{1}{4}\times\frac{1}{4}$
- $=\frac{1}{16}$
- **(b)**  $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{3}{5}$
- $=\frac{1}{4}\times\frac{3}{5}$
- $=\frac{3}{20}$
- **(c)** Also,
- $\frac{1}{4}$  of  $\frac{4}{5}$
- $=\frac{1}{4}\times\frac{4}{5}$
- = 5
- (ii) We have,
- (a)  $\frac{1}{7}$  of  $\frac{2}{9}$
- $=\frac{1}{7}\times\frac{2}{9}$
- $=\frac{2}{63}$

**(b)** 
$$\frac{1}{7}$$
 of  $\frac{6}{5}$ 

$$= \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{6}{5}$$

$$= \frac{6}{35}$$

**(c)** Also,

$$\frac{1}{7} \text{ of } \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{7} \times \frac{3}{10}$$

$$= \frac{3}{70}$$

2. Multiply and reduce to lowest form (if possible):

(i) 
$$\frac{2}{3} \times 2\frac{2}{3}$$
 (ii)  $\frac{2}{7} \times \frac{7}{9}$  (iii)  $\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{6}{4}$   
(iv)  $\frac{9}{5} \times \frac{3}{5}$  (v)  $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{15}{8}$  (vi)  $\frac{11}{2} \times \frac{3}{10}$   
(vii)  $\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{12}{7}$ 

## **Answer:**

(i) We have,

$$\frac{2}{3} \times 2\frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{8}{3}$$

$$= \frac{16}{9}$$

$$= 1\frac{7}{9}$$

(ii) We have,

$$\frac{2}{7} \times \frac{7}{9}$$

$$= \frac{2}{9}$$

- (iii) We have,
- $\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{6}{4}$
- $=\frac{9}{16}$
- (iv) We have,
- $\frac{9}{5}$  or  $\frac{3}{5}$
- $=\frac{27}{25}$
- $=1\frac{2}{5}$
- (v) We have,
- $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{15}{8}$
- $=\frac{5}{8}$
- (vi) We have,
- $\frac{11}{2} \times \frac{3}{10}$
- $=\frac{33}{20}$
- $=1\frac{13}{20}$
- (vii) We have,
- $\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{12}{7}$
- $=\frac{48}{35}$
- $1\frac{13}{35}$
- **3.** Multiply the following fractions:
  - (i)  $\frac{2}{5} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$  (ii)  $6 \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{7}{9}$  (iii)  $\frac{3}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{3}$

(iv) 
$$\frac{5}{6} \times 2\frac{3}{7}$$
 (v)  $3\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{7}$  (vi)  $2\frac{3}{5} \times 3$  (vii)  $3\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3}{5}$ 

#### **Answer:**

(i) We have,

$$\frac{2}{5} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{21}{4}$$

$$= \frac{21}{10}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of the mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{21}{10} = 2\frac{1}{10}$$

(ii) We have,

$$6\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{7}{9}$$

$$= \frac{32}{5} \times \frac{7}{9}$$

$$= \frac{224}{45}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{224}{45} = 4\frac{44}{45}$$

(iii) 
$$\frac{3}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{3}$$

$$=\frac{3}{2}\times\frac{16}{3}$$

$$= 8$$

In this question, we have a whole number

(iv) 
$$\frac{5}{6} \times 2\frac{3}{7}$$

$$= \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{17}{7}$$
$$= \frac{85}{42}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{85}{42} = 2\frac{1}{42}$$
(v)  $3\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{7}$ 

$$= \frac{17}{5} \times \frac{4}{7}$$

$$= \frac{68}{35}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of the mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{68}{35} = 1\frac{33}{35}$$
(vi)  $2\frac{3}{5} \times 3$ 

$$= \frac{13}{5} \times 3$$

$$= \frac{39}{5}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of the mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{39}{5} = 7\frac{4}{5}$$
(vii)  $3\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3}{5}$ 

$$= \frac{25}{7} \times \frac{3}{5}$$

$$= \frac{15}{7}$$

We have an improper fraction and now it can be written in terms of mixed fraction is as follows:

$$\frac{15}{7} = 2\frac{1}{7}$$

- **4.** Which is greater:
  - (i) 2/7 of 3/4 or 3/5 of 5/8
  - (ii) 1/2 of 6/7 or 2/3 of 3/7

#### **Answer:**

(i) We have,

$$\frac{2}{7}$$
 of  $\frac{3}{4}$ 

$$=\frac{2}{7}\times\frac{3}{4}$$

$$=\frac{3}{14}$$

Also,

$$\frac{3}{5}$$
 of  $\frac{5}{8}$ 

$$=\frac{3}{5}\times\frac{5}{8}$$

$$=\frac{3}{8}$$

Now converting the above fractions in to like fraction, we get:

$$\frac{3}{14} = \frac{3 \times 40}{14 \times 4}$$

$$=\frac{12}{56}$$

Also,

$$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{3 \times 7}{8 \times 7}$$

$$=\frac{21}{56}$$

Since,

$$\frac{21}{56} > \frac{12}{56}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{3}{8} > \frac{3}{14}$$

Hence,

 $\frac{3}{5}$  is greater than  $\frac{5}{8}$ 

(ii) We have,

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } \frac{6}{7}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{6}{7}$$

$$= \frac{3}{7}$$

Also,

$$\frac{2}{3} \text{ of } \frac{3}{7}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{7}$$

$$= \frac{2}{7}$$

Since,

$$\frac{3}{7} > \frac{2}{7}$$

Hence,

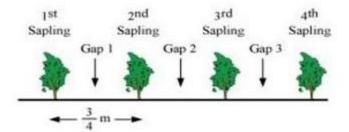
$$\frac{3}{7}$$
 is greater than  $\frac{2}{7}$ .

**5.** Saili plants 4 saplings, in a row, in her garden. The distance between two adjacent saplings is 3/4m. Find the distance between the first and the last sapling.

# **Answer:**

It is given in the question that,

Length of 1 gap = 
$$\frac{3}{4}$$
 m



Also, from the figure it can be observed that:

Gaps between first and last saplings = 3

Therefore,

Distance between First and last sapling =  $3 \times \frac{3}{4}$ 

$$=\frac{9}{4}$$

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

**6.** Lipika reads a book for hours every day. She reads the entire book in 6 days. How many hours in all were required by her to read the book?

#### **Answer:**

It is given in the question that,

Number of hours Lipika reads the book =  $1\frac{3}{4}$ 

$$=\frac{7}{4}$$
 hours

Also,

Total days in which she completes the book = 6

Therefore,

Total number of hours required by her to complete the book =  $\frac{7}{4} \times 6$ 

$$=\frac{21}{2}$$

$$=10\frac{1}{2}=10.5$$
 hours

7. A car runs 16 km using 1 litre of petrol. How much distance will it cover using  $2\frac{3}{4}$  litres of petrol?

#### **Answer:**

It is given in the question that,

Distance travelled by a car in 1 litre of petrol = 16 km

Also,

Total quantity of petrol =  $2\frac{3}{4}$  litre

$$=\frac{11}{4}$$
 litres

Therefore,

Distance travelled by the car in  $\frac{11}{4}$  litres of petrol =  $\frac{11}{4} \times 16$ 

=44 km

Hence,

The car will cover a distance of 44 kms in  $2\frac{3}{4}$  litres of petrol

# 8.

**(A)** 

- (i) Provide the number in the box  $\square$ , such that  $\frac{2}{3} \times \square = \frac{10}{30}$
- (ii) The simplest form of the number obtained in  $\square$  Is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# **Answer:**

(i) We have,

$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{5}{10} = \frac{10}{30}$$

Hence,

The number in the box will be  $\frac{5}{10}$ 

(ii) We have,

The simplest form of  $\frac{5}{10}$ :

$$\frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(B) (i) Provide the number in the box  $\square$ , such that  $\frac{3}{5} \times \square = \frac{24}{75}$  (ii) The simplest form of the number obtained in  $\square$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:** 

(i) We have,

$$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{8}{15} = \frac{24}{75}$$

Hence,

The number in the box will be  $\frac{8}{15}$ 

- (ii) From above,
- $\frac{8}{15}$  is itself in a simplest form and it cannot be further simplified