

Board- CBSE	Std- 6	Topic- Ratio and Proportion	Solved Questions
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Q 1. Find the ratio of each of the following in simplest form:

(i) 30 and 15

$$= 30 : 15$$

First we need to convert the given ratio into fraction,

$= 30/15$ , [divide both the numerator and denominator by 15, since the h.c.f. of 30 and 15 is 15]

$$= 2/1$$

$$= 2 : 1$$

(ii) 60 and 48

$$= 60 : 48$$

First we need to convert the given ratio into fraction,

$= 60/48$  (divide both the numerator and denominator by 12 since, the h.c.f. of 60 and 48 is 12)

$$= 5/4$$

$$= 5 : 4$$

(iii) 8 kg and 10 kg

$$= 8 \text{ kg} : 10 \text{ kg}$$

$= (8 \text{ kg})/(10 \text{ kg})$ , [divide both the numerator and denominator by 2 since, the h.c.f. of 8 and 10 is 2]

$$= 4/5$$

$$= 4 : 5$$

Q 2. Compare the ratios 4: 5 and 2: 3.

Solution:

Express the given ratios as fraction

$$4: 5 = 4/5 \text{ and } 2: 3 = 2/3$$

Now find the L.C.M (least common multiple) of 5 and 3

The L.C.M (least common multiple) of 5 and 3 is 15.

Making the denominator of each fraction equal to 15, we have

$$4/5 = (4 \times 3)/(5 \times 3) = 12/15 \text{ and } 2/3 = (2 \times 5)/(3 \times 5) = 10/15$$

Clearly,  $12 > 10$

Now,  $12/15 > 10/15$

Therefore,  $4 : 5 > 2 : 3$ .

Q 3. Compare the ratios  $5 : 6$  and  $7 : 9$ .

Solution:

Express the given ratios as fraction:

$$5 : 6 = 5/6 \text{ and } 7 : 9 = 7/9$$

Now find the L.C.M (least common multiple) of 6 and 9

The L.C.M (least common multiple) of 6 and 9 is 18.

Making the denominator of each fraction equal to 18, we have

$$5/6 = (5 \times 3)/(6 \times 3) = 15/18 \text{ and } 7/9 = (7 \times 2)/(9 \times 2) = 14/18$$

Clearly,  $15 > 14$

Now,  $15/18 > 14/18$

Therefore,  $5 : 6 > 7 : 9$ .

Q 4. Give two equivalent ratios of  $8 : 18$ .

Solution:

We will find the first equivalent ratio of  $8 : 18$  by using multiplication.

So first, we need to write the given ratio as a fraction,

$$= 8/18$$

$$= (8 \times 2)/(18 \times 2)$$

$$= 16/36$$

$$= 16 : 36 \text{ (one equivalent ratio),}$$

So,  $16 : 36$  is an equivalent ratio of  $8 : 18$ .

Now we will find another equivalent ratio of  $8 : 18$  by using division.

Similarly, we need to write the given ratio as a fraction,

$$= 8/18$$

$$= (8 \div 2)/(18 \div 2)$$

$$= 4/9$$

$$= 4 : 9 \text{ (another equivalent ratio)}$$

So, 4 : 9 is an equivalent ratio of 8 : 18.

Therefore, the two equivalent ratios of 8 : 18 are 16 : 36 and 4 : 9.

Q 5. For the following ratio find the two equivalent ratios of 11 : 13.

Solution:

To find two equivalent ratios of 11 : 13 first we need to write the given ratio as a fraction,

$$= 11/13$$

$$= (11 \times 2)/(13 \times 2)$$

$$= 22/26$$

$$= 22 : 26 \text{ is one equivalent ratio}$$

Similarly again, to get another equivalent ratio of 11 : 13;

$$11/13$$

$$= (11 \times 4)/(13 \times 4)$$

$$= 44/52$$

$$= 44 : 52 \text{ is another equivalent ratio}$$

Therefore, the two equivalent ratios of 11 : 13 are 22 : 26 and 44 : 52.

Q 6. Two numbers are in the ratio of 7 : 6. If the sum of the numbers is 91, find the numbers.

Solution:

$$\text{Sum of the terms of the ratio} = 7 + 6 = 13.$$

$$\text{First number} = (7/13) \times 91 = 49.$$

$$\text{Second number} = (6/13) \times 91 = 42.$$

Thus, the numbers are 49 and 42.

Q 7. 12 sweets are to be divided between A and B in the ratio of 1 : 3. Find how many sweets does each gets?

Solution:

Here, A and B get sweets in the ratio of 1 : 3.

This means that the sweets are divided into  $1 + 3 = 4$  equal parts.

Then, A gets =  $1/4$  of the total number of sweets.

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \times 12 \text{ sweets} = 3 \text{ sweets.}$$

And, B gets =  $3/4$  of the total number of sweets.

$$= \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \times 12 \text{ sweets} = 9 \text{ sweets.}$$

Q 8. 20 apples are distributed between Aaron and Ben in the ratio of 2 : 3. Find how many does each gets?

Solution:

Aaron and Ben get apples in the ratio 2 : 3 i.e. if Aaron gets 2 parts, Ben should get 3 parts.

In other words, if we make  $(2 + 3) = 5$  equal parts, then Aaron should get 2 parts out of these 5 equal parts

$$\text{i.e. Aaron gets} = 2/5 \text{ of the total number of apples} = 2/5 \text{ of } 20 = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \times 20 = 8 \text{ apples}$$

Similarly, Ben gets 3 parts out of 5 equal parts

$$\text{i.e. Ben gets} = 3/5 \text{ of the total number of apples} = 3/5 \text{ of } 20 = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \times 20 = 12 \text{ apples}$$

Therefore, Aaron gets 8 apples and Ben gets 12 apples.

Q 9. Divide \$260 among A, B, and C in the ratio  $1/2 : 1/3 : 1/4$ .

Solution:

First, convert the given ratio into its simplest form.

L.C.M. of denominators 2, 3, and 4 is 12.

$$\text{Therefore, } 1/2 : 1/3 : 1/4 = 1/2 \times 12 : 1/3 \times 12 : 1/4 \times 12 = 6 : 4 : 3$$

$$\text{And, } 6 + 4 + 3 = 13$$

$$\text{Therefore, A's share} = 6/13 \text{ of } \$260 = \left(\frac{6}{13}\right) \times 260 = \$120$$

$$\text{B's share} = 4/13 \text{ of } \$260 = \left(\frac{4}{13}\right) \times 260 = \$80$$

$$\text{C's share} = 3/13 \text{ of } \$260 = \left(\frac{3}{13}\right) \times 260 = \$60$$

Therefore, A get \$120, B gets \$80 and C gets \$60

Q 10. Find the mean proportion between 4 and 9.

Solution:

Let the mean proportion be  $x$

Therefore,  $4 : x = x : 9$

$$\Rightarrow x \times x = 4 \times 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 6^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6$$

Q11. Find the third proportional to 12 and 30.

Solution:

Let  $x$  be the third proportional

Therefore,  $12 : 30 = x : 30$

$$\Rightarrow 12 \times x = 30 \times 30$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x = 900$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 900/12$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 75$$

Q12. Check whether the two ratios form a proportion or not:

(i)  $6 : 8$  and  $12 : 16$ ;

(ii)  $24 : 28$  and  $36 : 48$

Solution:

(i)  $6 : 8$  and  $12 : 16$

$$6 : 8 = 6/8 = 3/4$$

$$12 : 16 = 12/16 = 3/4$$

Thus, the ratios  $6 : 8$  and  $12 : 16$  are equal.

Therefore, they form a proportion.

(ii)  $24 : 28$  and  $36 : 48$

$$24 : 28 = 24/28 = 6/7$$

$$36 : 48 = 36/48 = 3/4$$

Thus, the ratios  $24 : 28$  and  $36 : 48$  are unequal.

Therefore, they do not form a proportion.

Q 13. In a sports meet, groups of boys and girls are to be formed. Each group consists of 4 boys and 6 girls. How many boys are required, if 102 girls are available for such groupings?

Solution:

Ratio between boys and girls in a group =  $4 : 6 = 4/6 = 2/3 = 2 : 3$

Let the number of boys required =  $x$

Ratio between boys and girls =  $x : 102$

So, we have,  $2 : 3 = x : 102$

Now, product of extremes =  $2 \times 102 = 204$

Product of means =  $3 \times x$

We know that in a proportion, product of extremes = product of means

i.e.,  $204 = 3 \times x$

If we multiply 3 by 68, we get 204 i.e.,  $3 \times 68 = 204$

Thus,  $x = 68$

Hence, 68 boys are required.

Q 14. If  $a : b = 4 : 5$  and  $b : c = 6 : 7$ ; find  $a : c$ .

Solution:

$a : b = 4 : 5$

$\Rightarrow a/b = 4/5$

$b : c = 6 : 7$

$\Rightarrow b/c = 6/7$

Therefore,  $a/b \times b/c = (4/5) \times (6/7)$

$\Rightarrow a/c = 24/35$

Therefore,  $a : c = 24 : 35$

Q 15. If 4,  $x$ , 32, and 40 are in proportion, find the value of  $x$ .

Solution:

4,  $x$ , 32 and 40 are in proportion, i.e.,  $4 : x :: 32 : 40$

Now, product of extremes =  $4 \times 40 = 160$

And product of means =  $x \times 32$

We know that in a proportion product of extremes = product of means

i.e.,  $160 = x \times 32$

If we multiply 32 by 5, we get 160

i.e.,  $5 \times 32 = 160$

So,  $x = 5$

Hence, the value of x is 5.