# Rational Numbers

# **Vocabulary Start-Up**



Numbers that can be written as a comparison of two integers, expressed as a fraction, are called rational numbers.

Complete the graphic organizer. Sample answers are given.

Examples

Percent

$$19\% = \frac{19}{100}$$

Decimal

$$0.32 = \frac{8}{25}$$

Rational Number

Define in your own words Rational numbers are numbers that can be written as a ratio

of two integers.

Examples

Fraction

$$\frac{3}{4} = 0.75$$

Mixed Numbers



#### **Essential Question**

WHY is it helpful to write numbers in different ways?



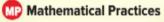
#### Vocabulary

rational number repeating decimal terminating decimal



#### Common Core State Standards

Content Standards 8.NS.1

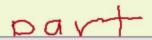


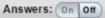
1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8

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The root of the word rational is ratio. Describe the relationship

between rational numbers and ratios. Sample answer: Rational numbers are written as ratios in the form  $\frac{a}{b}$ ,

where a and b are integers, and  $b \neq 0$ .

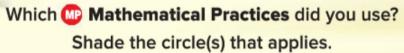


### Real-World Link

During a recent regular season, a Texas Ranger baseball player had 126 hits and was at bat 399 times. Write a fraction in simplest form to represent the ratio of the number of hits to the number of at bats.







- 1 Persevere with Problems
- 2 Reason Abstractly
- 3 Construct an Argument
- 4 Model with Mathematics

- (5) Use Math Tools
- 6 Attend to Precision
- (7) Make Use of Structure
- 8 Use Repeated Reasoning



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## **Guided Practice**



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thousandth, find her winning average. (Example 3) 0.438

Write each decimal as a fraction or mixed number in simplest form. (Examples 4-6)

**5.** 
$$0.32 = \frac{8}{25}$$

**6.** 
$$-0.\overline{7} = \frac{-7}{9}$$

7. Q Building on the Essential Question How can you determine if a number is a rational number? Sample answer: If a number can be written as a fraction, it is a rational number.



I understand how to write a repeating decimal as a fraction.



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My Homework.

# **Independent Practice**

Go online for Step-by-Step Solutions



Write each fraction or mixed number as a decimal. (Examples 1 and 2)

1. 
$$\frac{2}{5} = 0.4$$

**2.** 
$$2\frac{1}{8} = \frac{2.125}{}$$

3. 
$$\frac{33}{40} = 0.825$$

4. 
$$\frac{4}{33} = 0.\overline{12}$$

$$\frac{6}{11} = -0.\overline{54}$$

**6.** 
$$-7\frac{8}{45} = -7.17$$

- 7. Identify Repeated Reasoning The table shows statistics about the students at Carter Junior High. (Example 3)
  - **a.** Express the fraction of students with no siblings as a decimal.  $\frac{a}{a}$

0.06

























Number of

**Siblings** 

None

One

Two

Three

Four or

more



Fraction of

Students

1 15

<u>1</u>

<u>5</u> 12

60

- 7. Identify Repeated Reasoning The table shows statistics about the students at Carter Junior High. (Example 3)
  - a. Express the fraction of students with no siblings as a decimal. 0.06
  - **b.** Find the decimal equivalent for the fraction of students with three siblings. 0.16
  - c. Write the fraction of students with one sibling as a decimal. Round to the nearest thousandth. 0.333
  - d. Write the fraction of students with two siblings as a decimal. Round to the nearest thousandth. 0.417

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8. 
$$-0.4 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$-732 = -7\frac{8}{25}$$

**10.** 
$$0.\overline{2} = \frac{\frac{2}{9}}{}$$









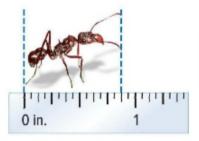


Copy and Solve Write each decimal as a fraction or mixed number in simplest form. Show your work on a separate piece of paper. (Examples 4–6)

**11.** 
$$-0.\overline{45}$$
  $-\frac{5}{11}$ 

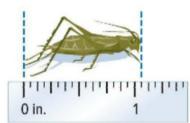
Be Precise Write the length of each insect as a fraction or mixed number and as a decimal.

14.



<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> in.; 0.875 in.

15.



1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>16</sub> in.; 1.0625 in.



### H.O.T. Problems Higher Order Thinking

16. Identify Structure Give an example of a repeating decimal where two digits repeat. Explain why your number is a rational number. Sample answer: 0.12; Since 0.12 = 4/33, it is a rational number.





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#### H.O.T. Problems Higher Order Thinking

- 17. Persevere with Problems Explain why any rational number is either a terminating or repeating decimal. Sample answer: When dividing, there are two possibilities for the remainder. If the remainder is 0, the decimal terminates. If the remainder is not 0, then the decimal begins to repeat at the point where the remainder repeats or equals the original dividend.
- **18.** Make a Conjecture Compare 0.1 and 0.1, 0.13 and 0.13, and 0.157 and 0.157 when written as fractions. Make a conjecture about expressing repeating decimals like these as fractions.

Sample answer: When the digits repeat, the repeating digits are the numerator and 1 less than the decimal place value is the denominator.

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19. W Model with Mathematics Write two decimals, one repeating and one terminating, with values between 0 and 1. Then write an inequality that shows the relationship between your two decimals.

Sample answer: 0.5, 0.555...; 0.5 < 0.555...

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