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4th Grade Module 5 Lesson 26

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Icons





Read, Draw, Write











Manipulatives Needed







Lesson 26

Objective: Compare fractions greater than 1 by reasoning using benchmark fractions.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (1)
 Application Problem (5)
 Concept Development (3)
 Student Debrief (1)
 Total Time (6)
- (10 minutes) (5 minutes) (35 minutes) (10 minutes) (60 minutes)





Decompose and compose fractions greater than 1 to express them in various forms.



Write 4/3 as a mixed number.



Change Mixed Number to Fractions



What two whole numbers does this mixed number come between?

- Draw a number line and label 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
- Decompose each number into thirds
- How many thirds are in 1? In 2? In 3? In 4?
- Label 12/3 on the number line



+ - Change Mixed Number to × ÷ Fractions



Fill in the unknown numerator in the number sentence.

Complete the number sentence.

$$4\frac{2}{3} = \frac{12}{3} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{14}{3}$$



Application Problem

Barbara needed 3 ¼ cups of flour for her recipe. Is she measured ¼ cup at a time, how many times did she have to fill the measuring cup?



Compare mixed numbers and frations on a number line using benchmark fractions.

Barbara needed $\frac{13}{4}$ cups of flour, her friend Jeanette needed $\frac{9}{2}$ cups, and her friend Robert needed $3\frac{6}{8}$ cups. Let's compare the amounts using a number line.

Draw a number line with the endpoints of 3 and 5. In the Application Problem, we found that $\frac{13}{4}$ equals $3\frac{1}{4}$. Find 3 on the number line. Imagine the fourths. Mark $\frac{1}{4}$ past 3. That shows where $3 + \frac{1}{4}$ is located. Label $\frac{13}{4}$.



Plot 9/2. How many ones in 9/2? How many remaining halves?



Compare mixed numbers and frations on a number line using benchmark fractions.



Plot and label $3\frac{6}{8}$ Explain how to complete this step.



Compare the points that you plotted.

$$\frac{3}{4} > \frac{9}{2}$$
 $3\frac{6}{8} > \frac{13}{4}$ $\frac{9}{2} < 3\frac{6}{8}$



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Coompare two mixed numbers or two fractions greater than 1

Can we compare these fractions easily?

To compare them, let's rewrite each fraction as a mixed numbers.



Compare $4\frac{1}{7}$ and $3\frac{7}{8}$ using the words *a little bit more* and *a little bit less*.

Write a comparison statement for $\frac{29}{7}$ and $\frac{31}{8}$

$$\frac{29}{7} > \frac{31}{8}$$



Coompare two mixed numbers or two fractions greater than 1

Write $5\frac{7}{8}$ and $5\frac{9}{10}$. Name the whole numbers these are between.

They both have 5 ones. Since the ones are the same, we look to the fractional units to compare. Compare $\frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{9}{10}$.





b. Use the number line in Problem 1(a) to compare the fractions by writing >, <, or =.

i. $\frac{29}{12}$ $2\frac{7}{8}$ ii. $\frac{29}{12}$ $3\frac{1}{6}$



Debrief

- When comparing the mixed numbers and fractions on the Problem Set, which strategies did you use? Were some strategies easier than others? Was it helpful to think about benchmark fractions?
- Why is it often easier to compare mixed numbers than to compare fractions greater than 1?
- How does this lesson relate to earlier lessons? How did earlier lessons help you to understand this lesson?
- In what way is Problem 3(a) easier than 3(b)?
- At first glance, Problem 3(j) looks really difficult.
 What makes it easier to solve?
- How did the Application Problem connect to today's lesson?

Exit Ticket

A STORY OF UNITS

Lesson 26 Exit Ticket 4-5

Name

Date

Compare the fractions given below by writing >, <, or =.

Give a brief explanation for each answer, referring to benchmark fractions.

1. $3\frac{2}{3}$ _____ $3\frac{4}{6}$

2.
$$\frac{12}{3}$$
 $\frac{27}{7}$