## Ratios as Fractions

CCSS: 6.RP.A.1: Understand the concept of ratio and use ratio language to describe a relationship

## Launch

Due to high demand, a gift shop wants more fruit boxes with a $1: 3$ ratio of the number of apples to the total number of fruit.
Use letters to complete each plan. Write the fraction $\frac{\text { number of apples }}{\text { total number of fruit }}$. Cross out any plan that does not have the correct ratio.


Box Plan 1

apples
fruit


Reflect How do the ratio and the fractions in the problem both describe the apples in the boxes?
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## Got lt?

## PART 1 Got lt (1 of 2)

A school baseball team has 5 pitchers, 2 catchers, and 12 other fielders. Write the ratio of the number of pitchers to the total number of players in three ways.

## PART 1 Got lt (2 of 2)

Suppose you have a fruit box in which the ratio of the number of pears to the number of apples is $\frac{2}{3}$. Explain what this ratio tells you about the relationship between the types of fruit in the box.

## Got lt?

## PART 2 Got lt

Write two different ratios equivalent to $\frac{6}{8}$.

## PART 3 Got lt (1 of 2)

Write the ratio 12 to 40 in simplest form.

## PART 3 Got lt (2 of 2)

How can you determine whether a ratio is in simplest form?

## Close and Check

## Focus Question

Why might you want to write a ratio as a fraction?
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## Do you know HOW?

1. You propose a new mix of fruit for a fruit box. Write the ratio of apples to fruit (apples, pears, oranges, and mangoes) in three ways.

| $p$ | $o$ | $p$ |
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| $a$ | $o$ | $m$ |


to

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2. The ratio of rock songs to all songs on a playlist is $\frac{36}{60}$. Write this ratio in simplest form.

3. Circle the ratios that are equivalent to $\frac{36}{60}$.

| $\frac{6}{10}$ | $\frac{9}{15}$ | $\frac{15}{20}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\frac{24}{36}$ | $\frac{48}{80}$ |  |

## Do you UNDERSTAND?

4. Writing Your class visits the zoo. Your friend says that the ratio of elephants to giraffes is $\frac{3}{8}$. You describe the relationship of elephants to giraffes as $\frac{9}{24}$. Can both you and your friend be correct? Explain.
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5. Compare and Contrast How would the problem above have been the same or different if the ratios would have been written as $3: 8$ and $9: 24$ ? Explain.
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