049 Math Practice

Decimals and Fractions

The decimal 0.5 and the fraction $\frac{1}{2}$ name the same number. Decimals and fractions are both names for parts of a whole.

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{5} = \frac{5}{10} = 0.5$$

You can find the decimal equivalent by finding an equivalent common fraction with a denominator of 10, 100, 1000.

Example:
$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{25}{100} = 0.25$$

Find the decimal equivalent for these fractions.

1.
$$\frac{3}{5}$$

2.
$$\frac{1}{8}$$

3.
$$\frac{3}{4}$$

4.
$$\frac{7}{8}$$

1.
$$\frac{3}{5}$$
 2. $\frac{1}{8}$ 3. $\frac{3}{4}$ 4. $\frac{7}{8}$ 5. $\frac{7}{10}$

You can also find the decimal equivalent by dividing the fraction.

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

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

Use the division method to find the decimal equivalents.

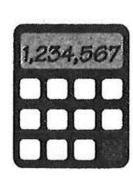
6.
$$\frac{1}{2}$$

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 7. $\frac{13}{20}$

8.
$$\frac{5}{8}$$

9.
$$\frac{1}{4}$$

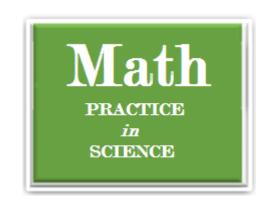
8.
$$\frac{5}{8}$$
 9. $\frac{1}{4}$ 10. $\frac{1}{5}$



Use a calculator to solve this problem. Teresa earns \$26,240 per year. Last year, she worked $\frac{5}{8}$ of the year. How much did Teresa earn last year?

Think: $\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{26,240}{1}$

050 Math Practice Rounding Decimals



The procedure for rounding decimals is just like rounding whole numbers. The first steps are the same: to identify the place names.

Example:	Round 4.467 to the nearest tenth.	<i>5</i> ∷
Step 1:	Identify the place of rounding.	$4.\underline{4}67$ tenths place
Step 2:	If the digit to the right is 5 or more, add 1 to the place of rounding.	
Step 3:	Drop all digits to the right of the place of rounding.	4.5
Example:	Round 3.7849 to the nearest hundredth.	3.7849 hundredths place
Step 1:	Identify the place of rounding.	3.7849
Step 2:	If the digit to the right is less than 5, then do not add 1.	
Step 3:	Drop all digits to the right of the place of rounding.	3.78

Complete this chart by rounding each number to the place indicated.

Tenths	Hundredths	Thousandths
1. 4.62	9. 5.017	17. 0.0925
2. 6.27	10. 3.785	18. 0.6291
3. 0.79	11. 0.4115	19. 0.1288
4. 0.96	12. 1.063	20. 9.00336
5. 0.059	13. 0.3098	21. 5.16823
6. 96.01	14. 0.1951	22. 28.41231
7. 0.049	15. 2.1191	23. 0.62483
8. 126.19	16. 285.092	24. 0.00781