

Comparing fractions—where the denominators are multiplies....

Remember: $\frac{2}{4}$

Numerator! (points to 2)

Denominator! (points to 4)

Order these fractions smallest to largest.

You may want to first write each fraction with a common denominator.

1.

$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{7}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{5}{6}$
↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
$\frac{\quad}{12}$	$\frac{\quad}{12}$	$\frac{\quad}{12}$	$\frac{\quad}{12}$	$\frac{\quad}{12}$

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Smallest Largest

I know that 3 goes into 12, 4 times. $3 \times 4 = 12$. 12 is my common denominator.

I must multiply the numerator by the same number as the denominator.

Step 1. Convert to the same denominator: $3 \times 4 = 12$. Now multiply the numerator by the same amount. $2 \times 4 = 8$

Step 2: Compare fractions...

1.

$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{7}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{5}{6}$
$\frac{8}{12}$	$\frac{7}{12}$	$\frac{2}{12}$	$\frac{4}{12}$	$\frac{10}{12}$

$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{7}{12}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{5}{6}$
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Smallest Largest

Now you complete the three below. Order the fractions smallest to largest.

1.

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

$$\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{11}{12}$$

$$\frac{5}{6}$$

$$\frac{7}{12}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{12}$$

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Smallest

Largest

2.

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{5}{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{12}$$

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Smallest

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3.

$$\frac{2}{5}$$

$$\frac{3}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{7}{20}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

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Smallest

Largest

Now we're going to do the same thing but compare only two fractions and skip out the middle step. Step 1: convert to a common denominator. Step 2: Compare.

Here, I know that 3 goes into 12, 4 times. ($3 \times 4 = 12$).

$$\frac{1}{3} \quad \square \quad \frac{5}{12}$$

Step 1: So I am going to multiply $1 \times 4 = 4$ and $3 \times 4 = 12$ to give me a common denominator of 4/12.

Step 2: I know 4/12 is less than 5/12.

$$\frac{7}{12} \quad \square \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Here, I know that 2 goes into 12, 6 times. ($2 \times 6 = 12$).

Step 1: So I am going to multiply $1 \times 6 = 6$ and $2 \times 6 = 12$ to give me a common denominator of 6/12.

Step 2: I know 6/12 is less than 7/12.

Can you complete the following?

$$\frac{3}{8} \quad \square \quad \frac{7}{24}$$

$$\frac{5}{12} \quad \square \quad \frac{13}{36}$$

$$\frac{13}{24} \quad \square \quad \frac{7}{12}$$

$$\frac{28}{40} \quad \square \quad \frac{7}{10}$$

$$\frac{22}{24} \quad \square \quad \frac{11}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \quad \square \quad \frac{25}{36}$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \quad \square \quad \frac{19}{24}$$

$$\frac{3}{5} \quad \square \quad \frac{23}{40}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \quad \square \quad \frac{6}{24}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} \quad \square \quad \frac{13}{40}$$

$$\frac{3}{5} \quad \square \quad \frac{11}{15}$$

$$\frac{36}{40} \quad \square \quad \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\frac{4}{15} \quad \square \quad \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{5}{12} \quad \square \quad \frac{23}{48}$$

$$\frac{2}{15} \quad \square \quad \frac{4}{30}$$

$$\frac{7}{12} \quad \square \quad \frac{19}{48}$$

$$\frac{3}{10} \quad \square \quad \frac{11}{30}$$

$$\frac{7}{24} \quad \square \quad \frac{17}{48}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} \quad \square \quad \frac{23}{30}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \quad \square \quad \frac{36}{48}$$