



# Ratios and Proportions

Unit 7 Lesson 1

## RATIOS AND PROPORTIONS

### Students will be able to:

write and simplify ratios, and  
use proportions to solve problems.

### Key Vocabulary:

- Ratio
- Extremes
- Cross Product
- Proportion
- Means

## RATIOS AND PROPORTIONS

**RATIO** is a comparison of a number  $a$  and  $b$  using division, where  $b \neq 0$ . It is usually expressed in simplest form and can be expressed as:

$a$  to  $b$

$a:b$

$\frac{a}{b}$

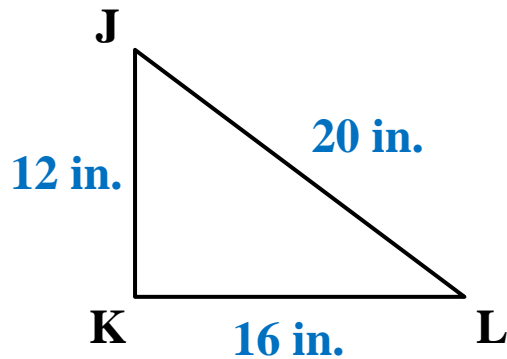
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**EXTENDED RATIOS** are ratios that can be used to compare three or more quantities.

$$a : b : c$$

$$a : b : c : d$$

**Example:** Express ratio of sides of the triangle in simplest form.



$$\overline{JK} : \overline{KL} : \overline{JL}$$

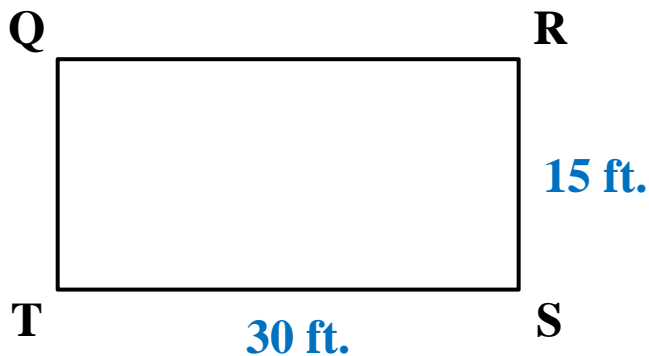
$$12 \text{ in.} : 16 \text{ in.} : 20 \text{ in.} \rightarrow \frac{12 \text{ in.}}{4} : \frac{16 \text{ in.}}{4} : \frac{20 \text{ in.}}{4}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{12 \text{ in.}}{4 \text{ in.}} : \frac{16 \text{ in.}}{4 \text{ in.}} : \frac{20 \text{ in.}}{4 \text{ in.}} \rightarrow 3 : 4 : 5$$

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**EQUIVALENT RATIOS** are ratios that have the same simplified form.

**Example:** Express ratio of width and height of the rectangle in simplest form.



$$\frac{\text{width of the rectangle}}{\text{height of the rectangle}} = \frac{30 \text{ ft.}}{15 \text{ ft.}} = \frac{2}{1}$$

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**Sample Problem 1:** Simplify.

a. 35 to 7

b. 45: 63

c.  $\frac{39}{13}$

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### Sample Problem 1: Simplify.

a. 35 to 7

$$\rightarrow \frac{35}{7} \text{ to } \frac{7}{7}$$

$$\rightarrow 5 \text{ to } 1$$

b. 45: 63

$$\rightarrow \frac{45}{9} : \frac{63}{9}$$

$$\rightarrow 5 : 7$$

c.  $\frac{39}{13}$

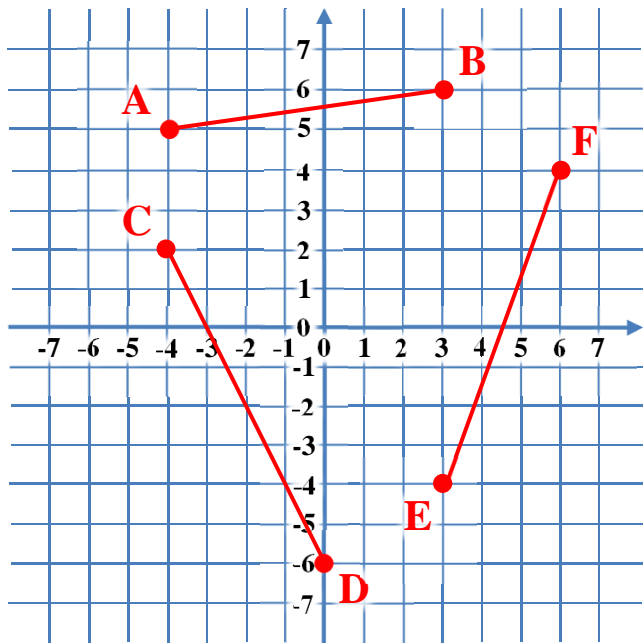
$$\rightarrow \frac{39}{13}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{13(3)}{13(1)}$$

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

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**Sample Problem 2:** Write the ratio expressing the slope of each line segment.



a.  $m_{\overline{AB}}$

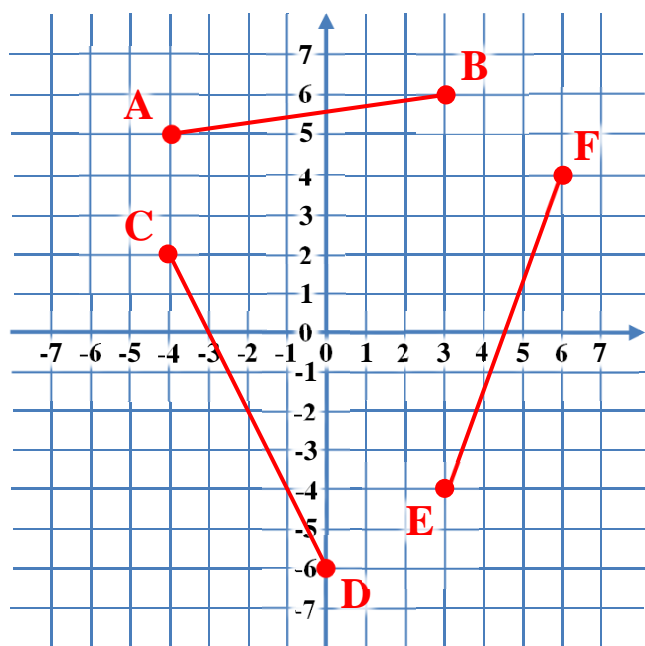
b.  $m_{\overline{CD}}$

c.  $m_{\overline{EF}}$



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**Sample Problem 2:** Write the ratio expressing the slope of each line segment.



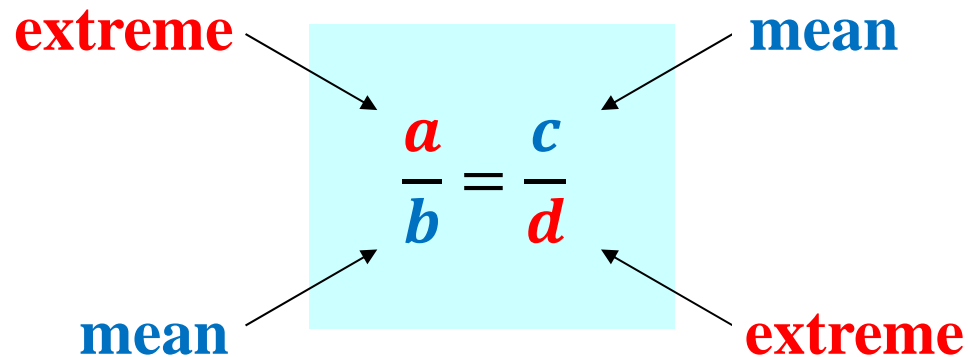
a. 
$$m_{\overline{AB}} = \frac{y_B - y_A}{x_B - x_A} = \frac{6 - 5}{3 - (-4)} = m_{\overline{AB}} = \frac{1}{7}$$
  
 $A(-4, 5) \quad B(3, 6)$

b. 
$$m_{\overline{CD}} = \frac{y_D - y_C}{x_D - x_C} = \frac{-6 - 2}{0 - (-4)} = \frac{-8}{4} = m_{\overline{CD}} = -2$$
  
 $C(-4, 2) \quad D(0, -6)$

c. 
$$m_{\overline{EF}} = \frac{y_F - y_E}{x_F - x_E} = \frac{4 - (-4)}{6 - 3} = m_{\overline{EF}} = \frac{8}{3}$$
  
 $E(3, -4) \quad F(6, 4)$

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**PROPORTION** is an equation stating that two ratios are equal.



**Extremes** are the first and last positions in the proportion.

**Means** are the two middle positions in the proportion.

## RATIOS AND PROPORTIONS

**Sample Problem 3:** Solve each proportion.

a.  $\frac{x}{11} = \frac{8}{-16}$

b.  $\frac{-6}{9} = \frac{8}{2y + 7}$

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**Sample Problem 3:** Solve each proportion.

a. 
$$\frac{x}{11} = \frac{8}{-16}$$
$$\frac{x}{11} = \frac{1}{-2}$$
$$-2x = 1(11)$$
$$\frac{-2x}{-2} = \frac{88}{-2}$$
$$x = -44$$

b. 
$$\frac{-6}{9} = \frac{8}{2y + 7}$$
$$-6(2y + 7) = 8(9)$$
$$-12y - 42 = 72$$
$$-12y - 42 + 42 = 72 + 42$$
$$-12y = 114$$
$$\frac{-12y}{-12} = \frac{114}{-12}$$
$$y = -\frac{19}{2}$$

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**Sample Problem 3:** Solve each proportion.

c.  $\frac{n + 4}{3} = \frac{5n}{6}$

d.  $\frac{z + 2}{11} = \frac{z - 2}{15}$

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**Sample Problem 3:** Solve each proportion.

c. 
$$\frac{n + 4}{3} = \frac{5n}{6}$$
$$6(n + 4) = 3(5n)$$
$$6n + 24 = 15n$$
$$6n - 6n + 24 = 15n - 6n$$
$$24 = 9n \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{24}{9} = \frac{9n}{9}$$

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

d. 
$$\frac{z + 2}{11} = \frac{z - 2}{15}$$
$$\frac{z + 1}{11} = \frac{z - 2}{15} \quad \rightarrow \quad 15(z + 2) = 11(z - 2)$$
$$15z + 30 = 11z - 22$$
$$15z - 11z + 30 = 11z - 11z - 22$$
$$4z + 30 = -22$$
$$4z + 30 - 30 = -22 - 30$$
$$4z = -52 \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{4z}{4} = \frac{-52}{4}$$

$$z = -13$$

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### PROPERTIES OF PROPORTIONS

#### A. Cross Products Property

In a proportion, the product of the extremes is equal to the product of the means.

$$\text{If } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}, \text{ then } = bc . (b \neq 0 \text{ and } d \neq 0)$$

#### B. Reciprocal Property

If two ratios are equal, then their reciprocals are also equal.

$$\text{If } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}, \text{ then } \frac{b}{a} = \frac{d}{c} . (a \neq 0 \text{ and } c \neq 0)$$

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### PROPERTIES OF PROPORTIONS

- C. If you interchange the means of a proportion, then you form another true proportion.

$$\text{If } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}, \text{ then } \frac{a}{c} = \frac{b}{d}. (c \neq 0 \text{ and } d \neq 0)$$

- D. In a proportion, if you add the value of each ratio's denominator to its numerator, then you form another true proportion.

$$\text{If } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}, \text{ then } \frac{a+b}{b} = \frac{c+d}{d}. (b \neq 0 \text{ and } d \neq 0)$$



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**Sample Problem 4:** Solve each proportion.

a.  $\frac{3}{7} = \frac{x}{49}$

b.  $\frac{2n}{25} = \frac{10}{5n}$

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**Sample Problem 4:** Solve each proportion.

a.  $\frac{3}{7} = \frac{x}{49}$

$$\frac{3(49)}{7} = x$$
$$\frac{3(7)}{1} = x$$
$$21 = x$$

b.  $\frac{2n}{25} = \frac{10}{5n}$

$$\frac{2n}{25} = \frac{10}{5n} \rightarrow \frac{2n}{25} = \frac{2}{n}$$
$$2n(n) = 2(25) \rightarrow 2n^2 = 50$$
$$\frac{2n^2}{2} = \frac{50}{2} \rightarrow n^2 = 25$$
$$n^2 = 25$$
$$n = \pm 5$$

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**Sample Problem 4:** Solve each proportion.

c.  $\frac{s}{8} = \frac{16}{2}$

d.  $\frac{y + 2}{4} = \frac{16}{y + 2}$

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**Sample Problem 4:** Solve each proportion.

c.  $\frac{s}{8} = \frac{16}{2}$

$$\frac{s}{8} = \frac{16}{2} \rightarrow \frac{s}{8} = \frac{8}{1}$$

$$s = \frac{8(8)}{1} \rightarrow s = 64$$

d.  $\frac{y+2}{4} = \frac{16}{y+2}$

$$\frac{y+2}{4} = \frac{16}{y+2}$$

$$(y+2)^2 = 16(4)$$

$$(y+2)^2 = 64 \rightarrow y+2 = \pm 8$$

$$y+2 = -8$$

$$y+2 - 2 = -8 - 2$$

$$y = -10$$

$$y+2 = 8$$

$$y+2 - 2 = 8 - 2$$

$$y = 6$$