

4-8 Divide Mixed Numbers

KEEP, CHANGE, FLIP!

Dividing Mixed Numbers:

Steps:

- 1) Change all mixed numbers into improper fractions
 - a. Multiply denominator by the whole number then add numerator. Put answer over original denominator.
- 2) **Keep** the first fraction the same
- 3) **Change** the DIVISION sign to a MULTIPLICATION sign
- 4) **Flip** the second fraction upside down (the reciprocal)
- 5) Simplify by factors (if possible)
- 6) Multiply numerators together
- 7) Multiply denominators together
- 8) Simplify and/or change improper fraction back into a mixed number.

Examples:

$$6\frac{2}{5} \div 2\frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{32}{5} \div \frac{16}{7}$$

$$\overset{2}{\frac{32}{5}} \times \frac{7}{\cancel{16}_1} = \frac{14}{5} = 2\frac{4}{5}$$

$$1\frac{1}{9} \div 6\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{10}{9} \div \frac{20}{3} = \frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{10}}}{\underset{3}{9}} \times \frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{3}}}{\underset{1}{\cancel{20}}} = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$$8\frac{1}{13} \div 5$$

$$\frac{105}{13} \div \frac{5}{1} = \frac{\overset{21}{\cancel{105}}}{13} \times \frac{1}{\cancel{5}_1} = \frac{21}{13} = \left(\frac{18}{13}\right)$$