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Lesson Reading Guide

Mixed Numbers and Improper Fractions

Get Ready for the Lesson

Complete the Mini Lab at the top of page 209 in your textbook. Write your answers below.

- **1.** How many shaded $\frac{1}{4}$ s are there?
- **2.** What fraction is equivalent to $1\frac{1}{4}$?

Make a model to show each number.

- **3.** the number of thirds in $2\frac{2}{3}$.
- 4. the number of halves in $4\frac{1}{2}$

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- 5. What is a mixed number? Write three examples.
- **6.** You read $4\frac{1}{6}$ as *four and one-sixth*. How do you read the following mixed numbers: $3\frac{3}{5}$, $2\frac{2}{3}$, $8\frac{1}{2}$?
- 7. What is an improper fraction? Write three examples.

Remember What You Learned

8. Work with a partner. Have one person show the other how to write a mixed number as an improper fraction. Then have the other partner show how to write an improper fraction as a mixed number.

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Study Guide and Intervention

Mixed Numbers and Improper Fractions

The number $2\frac{2}{3}$ is a mixed number. A **mixed number** indicates the sum of a whole number and a fraction. The number $\frac{5}{3}$ is an improper fraction. Improper fractions have values that are greater than or equal to 1. Mixed numbers can be written as mixed numbers or as improper fractions.

Example 1 Write $2\frac{1}{3}$ as an improper fraction.

 $2\frac{1}{3} \rightarrow 2 \times \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{3}$ Think: $2 \times 3 = 6$ and 6 + 1 = 7

Check: Use a model.



 $2\frac{1}{4}$

 $\frac{-8}{1}$

So, $\frac{9}{4}$ can be written as $2\frac{1}{4}$.



Exercises

Write each mixed number as an improper fraction.

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

 5. $2\frac{1}{9}$
 6. $3\frac{7}{10}$
 7. $2\frac{3}{8}$
 8. $1\frac{3}{4}$

Write each improper fraction as a mixed number or a whole number.

9.
$$\frac{7}{4}$$
 10. $\frac{5}{3}$
 11. $\frac{3}{2}$
 12. $\frac{11}{8}$

 13. $\frac{22}{5}$
 14. $2\frac{15}{15}$
 15. $\frac{25}{4}$
 16. $\frac{16}{3}$

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Skills Practice

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Draw a model for each mixed number. Then write the mixed number as an improper fraction.

1. $4\frac{1}{3}$

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2. $3\frac{3}{8}$

3. $2\frac{2}{5}$

Write each mixed number as an improper fraction.

4. $6\frac{1}{2}$	5. $1\frac{5}{6}$	6. $1\frac{3}{8}$	7. $3\frac{1}{3}$
8. $3\frac{7}{8}$	9. $2\frac{1}{4}$	10. $2\frac{8}{9}$	11. $4\frac{5}{6}$
12. $8\frac{3}{5}$	13. $5\frac{4}{7}$	14. $10\frac{2}{3}$	15. $9\frac{1}{4}$
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Practice

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Write each mixed number as an improper fraction.



- **9.** SNAKES The garden snake that Fumiko measured was $7\frac{3}{4}$ inches long. Write the length as an improper fraction.
- **10.** Express *four and seven eighths* as an improper fraction.

Write each improper fraction as a mixed number or a whole number.

11.
$$\frac{13}{4}$$
 12. $\frac{11}{10}$
 13. $\frac{10}{3}$

 14. $\frac{23}{7}$
 15. $6\frac{14}{14}$
 16. $\frac{8}{8}$

17. TREES A nursery is growing trees. Find the height of each tree in terms of feet. Write your answer as a mixed number in simplest form.

Trees in Nursery			
Tree	Height (in.)		
Apricot	73		
Peach	62		
Pear	54		
Plum	68		

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1. MILEAGE Brownsville is $7\frac{5}{8}$ miles away from Frisco. Write the distance as an improper fraction.	2. SWIMMING Steven swam $\frac{47}{6}$ meters crossing Lady Jay Creek. Write the distance he swam as a mixed number.	
3. FOOD Kenji's favorite recipe calls for $3\frac{3}{4}$ cups of flour. Write the amount of flour he needs as an improper fraction.	4. PUPPY Nikki's puppy weighs $\frac{25}{7}$ pounds. Write the puppy's weight as a mixed number.	
5. EXERCISE Koto can run $4\frac{7}{10}$ miles before she is too tired to keep going. Write the distance she can run as an improper fraction.	6. GEOGRAPHY Hampshire Hill is ⁸⁷ / ₉ meters tall. Write its height as a mixed number.	

Enrichment

Recipes

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It is common to see mixed fractions in recipes. A recipe for a pizza crust may ask for $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups of flour. You could measure this amount in two ways. You could fill a one-cup measuring cup with flour and a one-half-cup measuring cup with flour or you could fill a half-cup measuring cup three times, because $1\frac{1}{2}$ is the same as $\frac{3}{2}$.

In the following recipes, some mixed numbers have been changed to improper fractions and other fractions may not be written in simplest form. Rewrite each recipe as you would expect to find it in a cookbook.

Quick Pizza Crust	Apple Crunch
$\frac{3}{2}$ cups flour	$\frac{3}{2}$ cups white sugar
$\frac{2}{4}$ cup water	$\frac{\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{3}{2} \operatorname{sugar}}$
$\frac{9}{4}$ teaspoons yeast	$\frac{4}{2}$ cups of flour
$\frac{2}{2}$ teaspoon salt	$\frac{4}{2}$ cups oatmeal
$\frac{4}{4}$ teaspoon sugar	$\frac{8}{3}$ sticks margarine
$\frac{8}{8}$ tablespoon oil	$\frac{2}{2}$ teaspoon salt
Granola	Chocolate Treats
$\begin{array}{c c} \hline \frac{4}{3} \text{ cups sesame} \\ \text{ seeds} \end{array}$	$\frac{4}{6}$ cup butter
$ \frac{\frac{4}{3} \text{ cups sesame}}{\frac{4}{2} \text{ cups coconut}} $	$\frac{4}{6}$ cup butter $\frac{9}{4}$ cups brown sugar
$\frac{4}{3}$ cups sesame seeds $\frac{4}{2}$ cups coconut $\frac{3}{2}$ cups sunflower seeds	$\frac{4}{6}$ cup butter $\frac{9}{4}$ cups brown sugar $\frac{6}{2}$ eggs
$\frac{4}{3}$ cups sesame seeds $\frac{4}{2}$ cups coconut $\frac{3}{2}$ cups sunflower seeds $\frac{3}{2}$ cups rolled oats	$\frac{4}{6}$ cup butter $\frac{9}{4}$ cups brown sugar $\frac{6}{2}$ eggs $\frac{11}{4}$ cups flour
$\frac{4}{3}$ cups sesame seeds $\frac{4}{2}$ cups coconut $\frac{3}{2}$ cups sunflower seeds $\frac{8}{2}$ cups rolled oats $\frac{2}{2}$ cup honey	$\frac{4}{6}$ cup butter $\frac{9}{4}$ cups brown sugar $\frac{6}{2}$ eggs $\frac{11}{4}$ cups flour $\frac{5}{2}$ teaspoons baking powder

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