

Task: Fractions

Approach: Independent

Year: 4 & 8

Focus: Calculations with fractions

Resources: Answer booklet



Questions / instructions:

Write your answers to the fraction problems in the boxes.

		% responses	
		y4	y8
1.	$\frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{7} =$ <input type="text" value="4/7"/>	17	58
2.	$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} =$ <input type="text" value="1"/>	16	54
	<input type="text" value="2/2"/>	12	15
3.	$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} =$ <input type="text" value="1 1/2"/>	2	23
	<input type="text" value="1 2/4"/>	2	11
	<input type="text" value="6/4"/>	9	14
4.	$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} =$ <input type="text" value="3/4"/>	7	42
5.	$2\frac{1}{5} + 1\frac{1}{5} =$ <input type="text" value="3 2/5"/>	7	44
6.	$1 - \frac{1}{3} =$ <input type="text" value="2/3"/>	7	45
YEAR 8 ONLY:			
7.	$1\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} =$ <input type="text" value="3/4"/>	•	39
8.	$2 \times \frac{1}{2} =$ <input type="text" value="1"/>	•	46
	<input type="text" value="2/2"/>	•	7
9.	$\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} =$ <input type="text" value="1/8"/>	•	22
10.	$3 \times 2\frac{1}{3} =$ <input type="text" value="7"/>	•	24
	<input type="text" value="21/3"/>	•	2
11.	$\frac{1}{4} \div 2 =$ <input type="text" value="1/8"/>	•	22
12.	$2 \div \frac{1}{2} =$ <input type="text" value="4"/>	•	12
13.	$1\frac{1}{3} \div \frac{1}{3} =$ <input type="text" value="4"/>	•	13
Total score:			
	16–18	•	6
	13–15	•	14
	10–12	•	14
	7–9	2	14
	4–6	6	14
	1–3	24	21
	0	67	17

[Note: Maximum score of 9 for year 4]

Commentary:

Year 4 students generally did not know how to solve fraction problems. There was substantial growth seen at year 8 level but the more difficult problems were challenging to the year 8 students.