Problem 1 – Division as Multiplication

1. How is Exercise 3 changed into Exercise 4?

5. How is Exercise 7 changed into Exercise 8?

2. Find the answers using the calculator. How do the answers to Exercises 3 and 4

compare?

4.
$$35 \times \frac{1}{7}$$

6. Find the answers using the calculator. How do the answers to Exercises 7 and 8 compare?

7.
$$\frac{4}{5} \div \frac{1}{4}$$

8.
$$\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{4}{1}$$

Find the answers using the calculator and compare the following problems.

9.
$$\frac{9}{2} \div 3$$

$$\frac{9}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

10.
$$\frac{1}{5} \div \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{9}{8}$$

11. How can all division problems be rewritten using multiplication?

Problem 2 – Looking for Patterns

Evaluate each division problem. Look for a pattern.

Press 2 ÷ (1 b/2) ENTER for the first problem in Exercise 12.

12.2
$$\div \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$2 \div \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2 \div \frac{1}{5}$$

13. What do all of the answers have in common? Why do you think this happens?

14.
$$2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{2}$$
 $2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{3}$

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

$$2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{5}$$

15. Why are some of the answers whole numbers and some of the answers fractions?

Problem 3 – Practice Makes Perfect

Evaluate each using the algorithm for dividing fractions. Write the multiplication step for each. Check your work using the calculator.

16.
$$1\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{3} =$$

18.
$$2\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{2}{5} =$$

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$$2\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{2}{5} =$$
