

Simplifying Fractions

To simplify a fraction you need to check whether there is any number which you can divide into both the numerator and denominator in order to make the fraction smaller.

You must use the **same** divisor for both the numerator and denominator.

Examples: 1) $\frac{4}{6} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{can both} \\ \text{be divided} \\ \text{by 2} \end{array} = \frac{2}{3}$

2) $\frac{15}{25} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{both can} \\ \text{be divided} \\ \text{by 5} \end{array} = \frac{3}{5}$

Reduce the following fractions
to their lowest terms:

$$1) \frac{8}{20} =$$

$$6) \frac{12}{16} =$$

$$2) \frac{9}{24} =$$

$$7) \frac{15}{45} =$$

$$3) \frac{16}{24} =$$

$$8) \frac{27}{36} =$$

$$4) \frac{24}{30} =$$

$$9) \frac{24}{48} =$$

$$5) \frac{6}{15} =$$

$$10) \frac{25}{40} =$$