



1. Henri measures the dimensions of a rectangular section of wallboard. It is $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide and $4\frac{3}{4}$ feet long. What is the perimeter? You may want to draw a picture of the board.

$$3\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{3}{4} + 3\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{3}{4}$$

Add the length of each of the four sides to find perimeter.

Strategy 1:

$$3\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{3}{4}$$

First add to find the sum of two of the sides.

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

A common denominator is four, so rename $\frac{1}{2}$.

$$3\frac{2}{4} + 4\frac{3}{4} = 7\frac{5}{4} \text{ or } 8\frac{1}{4}$$

Add like fractions to get the sum.

$$2 \times 8\frac{1}{4} = 16\frac{1}{2}$$

Double $8\frac{1}{4}$ to find the sum of all four sides.

Strategy 2:

$$2 \times 3\frac{1}{2} = 7$$

Double $3\frac{1}{2}$ to find the sum of two sides.

$$2 \times 4\frac{3}{4} = 8\frac{6}{4} \text{ or } 9\frac{1}{2}$$

Double $4\frac{3}{4}$ to find the sum of the other two sides.

$$7 + 9\frac{1}{2} = 16\frac{1}{2}$$

Add to find the sum of all four sides.

2. Carter Construction wants to place a series of ads highlighting the quality of their work and the reasonableness of their prices. They purchased three $\frac{1}{4}$ -page ads, three $\frac{1}{8}$ -page ads, and three $\frac{3}{16}$ -page ads. What is the total amount of pages they bought?

$$3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) + 3\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)$$

Multiply the number of ads by the size of the ads. Then add to find the total amount of pages Carter Construction purchased.

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{9}{16}$$

Three $\frac{1}{4}$ -page ads is equal to $\frac{3}{4}$ page. Three $\frac{1}{8}$ -page ads is equal to $\frac{3}{8}$ page.

Three $\frac{3}{16}$ -page ads is equal to $\frac{9}{16}$ page.

$$\frac{12}{16} + \frac{6}{16} + \frac{9}{16} = \frac{27}{16} \text{ or } 1\frac{11}{16}$$

A common denominator is 16, so rename $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$. Add to find the sum.



3. Dr. Dawson is tracking the price of a stock he owns. On Monday the price of the stock was $32\frac{15}{16}$. On Tuesday the price rose $3\frac{3}{8}$. What was the stock's price on Tuesday?

$$32\frac{15}{16} + 3\frac{3}{8}$$

Add to find the stock's price on Tuesday.

$$32\frac{15}{16} + 3\frac{6}{16} = 35\frac{21}{16} \text{ or } 36\frac{5}{16}$$

A common denominator is 16, so rename $\frac{3}{8}$. Add to find the sum.

4. Think of two fractions with different denominators whose sum equals $2\frac{1}{3}$. Think of a different pair of fractions whose sum is $2\frac{1}{3}$.

There are many possible answers. Start by selecting any number less than $2\frac{1}{3}$, like $1\frac{5}{6}$.

Strategy 1: Use Subtraction

$$2\frac{1}{3} - 1\frac{5}{6}$$

Subtract your number from $2\frac{1}{3}$.

$$2\frac{1}{3} = 2\frac{2}{6} \text{ or } 1\frac{8}{6}$$

A common denominator is six, so rename $2\frac{1}{3}$.

$$1\frac{8}{6} - 1\frac{5}{6} = \frac{3}{6} \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

Subtract to find the second fraction.

Strategy 2: Use Addition

$$1\frac{5}{6} + ? = 2\frac{1}{3}$$

Add to your number to reach $2\frac{1}{3}$.

$$1\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = 2$$

Add $\frac{1}{6}$ to reach two.

$$2 + \frac{1}{3} = 2\frac{1}{3}$$

Add $\frac{1}{3}$ to reach $2\frac{1}{3}$.

$$\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{6} \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

Find the sum of the two amounts to find the second fraction.

A Few Possible Solutions:

$$\frac{5}{6} \text{ and } \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{4}{6} \text{ and } 1\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \text{ and } 2\frac{1}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \text{ and } 1\frac{7}{12}$$