2.6 DIVIDING DECIMALS

ESSENTIAL QUESTION:

How do you divide decimals?

EXAMPLE 1

Divide.

1) 7.6 ÷ 4

$$4\overline{)7.6} = 1.9$$

-4

36

-36

0

2) 4.38 ÷ 12

$$12\overline{)4.380} = .365$$

36

78

-72

60

-60

0

ON YOUR OWN

Divide.

1) 36.4 ÷ 2

$$2\overline{)36.4} = 18.2$$

-2

16

-16

04

-4

0

2) 22.2 ÷ 6

$$6\overline{)22.2} = 3.7$$

18

42

-42

0

3) 59.64 ÷ 7

$$7\overline{)59.64} = 8.52$$

-56

36

-35

14

-14

0

4) 43.26 ÷ 14

$$14\overline{)43.26} = 3.09$$

-42

12

-0

126

-126

0

5) 6.2 ÷ 4

$$4\overline{)6.20} = 1.55$$

-4

22

-20

20

-20

0

6) 3.12 ÷ 16

$$16\overline{)3.120} = .195$$

16

152

144

80

80

Dividing Decimals by Whole Numbers

1) Place the decimal point in the quotient above the decimal point in the dividend.

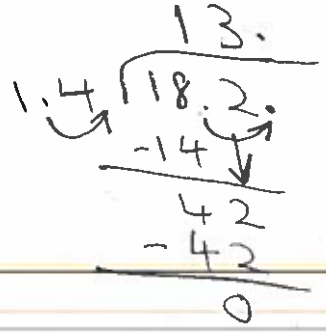
2) Then divide as you would with whole numbers.

3) If there is a remainder write zeros in the dividend as needed and divide until there is no remainder.

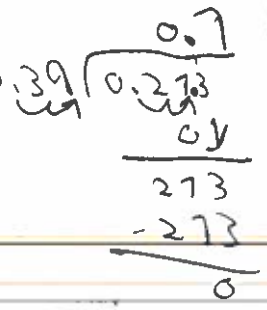
EXAMPLE 2

Divide.

1) 18.2 ÷ 1.4



2) 0.273 ÷ 0.39



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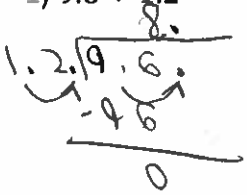
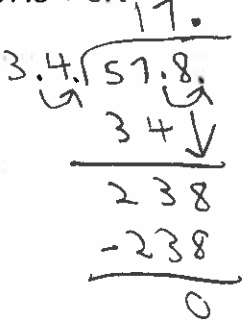
Divide.

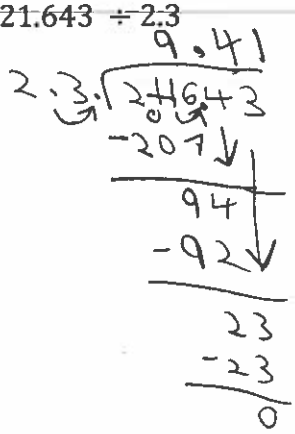
1) 9.6 ÷ 1.2



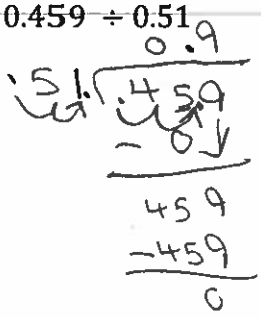
2) 57.8 ÷ 3.4



3) 21.643 ÷ 2.3

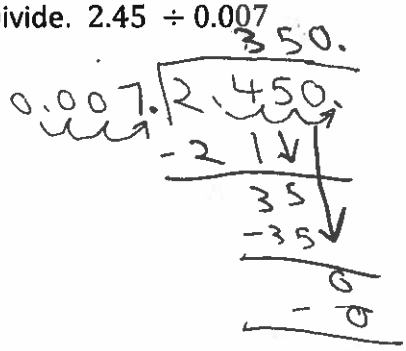


4) 0.459 ÷ 0.51



EXAMPLE 3

Divide. 2.45 ÷ 0.007



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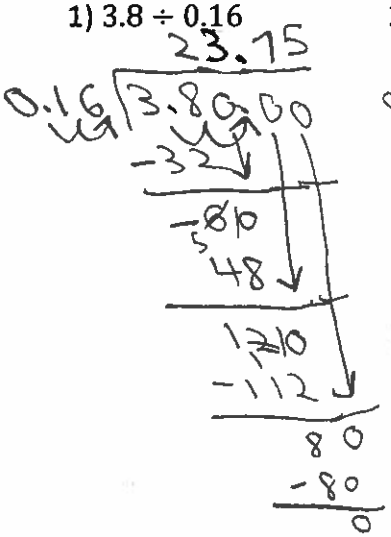
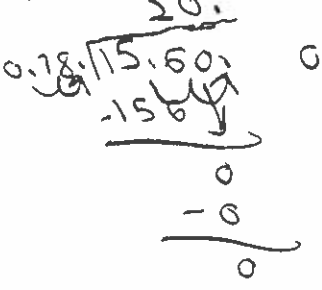
Divide.

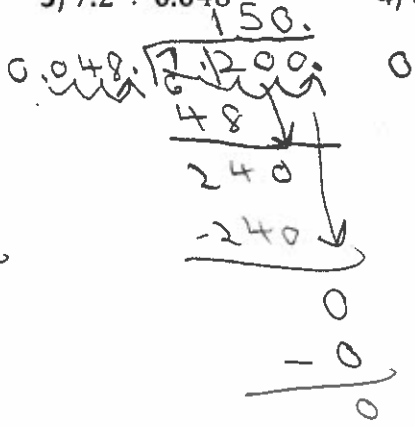
1) 3.8 ÷ 0.16



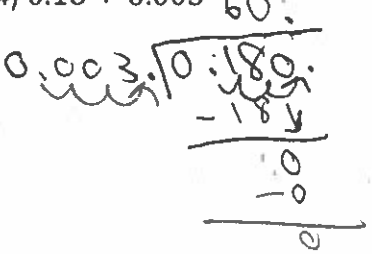
2) 15.6 ÷ 0.78



3) 7.2 ÷ 0.048



4) 0.18 ÷ 0.003



Divide Decimals by Decimals

1)In the divisor move decimal to the right to get a whole number.

2)Move decimal in dividend same number of place values you moved decimal in divisor.

3)Then place the decimal point in the quotient above the decimal point in the dividend and divide as you would with whole numbers.

4)If there is a remainder write zeros in the dividend as needed and divide until there is no remainder.

EXAMPLE 4

Cookies for a school fundraiser cost $3.75 per box. The total amount received from the cookie sale is $2718.75. How many boxes of cookies were sold?

$$3.75 \overline{)2718.75}$$

725

-2625

937

750

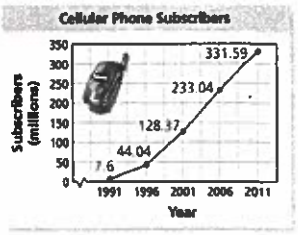
1875

-1875

0

125 boxes of cookies were sold.

How many times more cellular phone subscribers were there In 2011 than in 1991? Round to the nearest whole number.



$$7.6 \overline{)331.59}$$

43.6

304

275

228

479

456

23

There were about 44 times more subscribers in 2011 than in 1991.

Evaluate the expression.

1) $12.67 + 8.2 - 1.9$

2) $6.4(1.8 - 7.5)$