

Rate Check

Decide when two quantities keep the same rate.

GRADE 7 • 7.PAR.4.3

7.PAR.4.3 "Determine whether two quantities presented in authentic problems are in a proportional relationship."

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CHECK THE UNIT RATE

Two quantities are proportional when every pair has the same multiplicative relationship. Divide to find a unit rate for each pair. If the unit rates are equal, the relationship is proportional.

WORKED EXAMPLE

A theater sells 16 tickets for \$24 and 18 tickets for \$27. Are the number of tickets and the cost proportional?

1. $24/16 = 3/2$ dollars per ticket.
2. $27/18 = 3/2$ dollars per ticket.
3. The unit rates are equal.

Answer: Yes. The cost is proportional to the number of tickets.

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** A music app charges \$9 for 3 downloads and \$21 for 7 downloads. Are downloads and cost proportional?

ANSWER _____

- 2** A runner completes 4 laps in 28 minutes and 6 laps in 39 minutes. Are laps and time proportional?

ANSWER _____

- 3** A store sells 5 sketchbooks for \$35 and 9 sketchbooks for \$63. Are sketchbooks and cost proportional?

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- 4** A bus charges \$5 for 2 rides and \$14 for 6 rides. Are rides and cost proportional?

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- 5** A print center charges \$44 for 11 posters and \$60 for 15 posters. Are posters and cost proportional?

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- 6** A fundraiser collects \$26 from 7 bracelet sales and \$35 from 10 bracelet sales. Are bracelets sold and money collected proportional?

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** At an arcade, 4 game rounds cost 20 tokens. A longer session of 9 rounds costs 45 tokens. Is the number of rounds proportional to the number of tokens? Show how you know.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A school merch shop charges \$22 for 4 caps and \$47 for 9 caps. Is the number of caps proportional to the total cost? Show how you know.

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

An online game records completed quests and coins earned: 2 quests, 13 coins; 5 quests, 31 coins; 8 quests, 49 coins; 11 quests, 67 coins. Are quests completed and coins earned proportional? Explain your reasoning.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	A music app charges \$9 for 3 downloads and \$21 for 7 downloads. Are downloads and cost proportional?	Yes. $9/3 = 3$ and $21/7 = 3$, so the unit rate is \$3 per download.
2	A runner completes 4 laps in 28 minutes and 6 laps in 39 minutes. Are laps and time proportional?	No. $28/4 = 7$, but $39/6 = 13/2$, so the unit rates are not equal.
3	A store sells 5 sketchbooks for \$35 and 9 sketchbooks for \$63. Are sketchbooks and cost proportional?	Yes. $35/5 = 7$ and $63/9 = 7$, so the unit rate is \$7 per sketchbook.
4	A bus charges \$5 for 2 rides and \$14 for 6 rides. Are rides and cost proportional?	No. $5/2$ does not equal $14/6$, so the unit rates are not equal.
5	A print center charges \$44 for 11 posters and \$60 for 15 posters. Are posters and cost proportional?	Yes. $44/11 = 4$ and $60/15 = 4$, so the unit rate is \$4 per poster.
6	A fundraiser collects \$26 from 7 bracelet sales and \$35 from 10 bracelet sales. Are bracelets sold and money collected proportional?	No. $26/7$ does not equal $35/10$, so the unit rates are not equal.

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- Yes. The relationship is proportional because both sessions cost 5 tokens per round.** Find each unit rate: $20/4 = 5$ and $45/9 = 5$. Since the rates match, the quantities are proportional.
- No. $22/4 = 11/2$, but $47/9$ is not $11/2$.** Compare cost per cap. The unit rates are different, so the quantities are not proportional.

CHALLENGE

No. The unit rates are not equal: $13/2$, $31/5$, $49/8$, and $67/11$ are different. The pattern is coins = $6 \times$ quests + 1, which includes 1 extra coin and is not proportional.

Accept any correct comparison of equivalent unit rates, including fractions, decimals, or cross-products. For proportional relationships, students may state the constant of proportionality as a unit rate.