

Quotient Quest

Estimate first, then divide with care.

GRADE 5 • 5.CE.3.c.iii

5.CE.3.c.iii "Estimate and determine the quotient of two numbers using strategies and algorithms, including the standard algorithm, in which: *divisors are limited to a single digit whole number or a decimal expressed as tenths; and"

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DIVIDE WITH DECIMALS

First, make a quick estimate using nearby compatible numbers. When the divisor is a decimal in tenths, multiply both numbers by 10 so the divisor becomes a whole number, then use long division.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Estimate, then find $72.8 \div .4$.

1. Estimate: 72.8 is close to 72, and $72 \div .4 = 180$.
2. Multiply both numbers by 10: $72.8 \div .4 = 728 \div 4$.
3. Divide: $728 \div 4 = 182$.

Answer: Estimate: about 180. Exact quotient: 182.

PRACTICE 6 problems

1 Use $460 \div 7$ to estimate, then find $455 \div 7$.

ANSWER _____

2 Use $72 \div 6$ to estimate, then find $73.2 \div 6$.

ANSWER _____

3 Use $49 \div .9$ to estimate, then find $48.6 \div .9$.

ANSWER _____

4 Use $16 \div .5$ to estimate, then find $15.75 \div .5$.

ANSWER _____

5 Use $91 \div 7$ to estimate, then find $92.4 \div 7$.

ANSWER _____

6 Use $7.2 \div .8$ to estimate, then find $7.28 \div .8$.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A student has 18.6 ounces of bead mix. Each bracelet kit needs .3 ounce of beads. About how many kits can the student make? How many kits can the student make exactly?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A game club earns 156 tickets and shares them equally among 6 players. About how many tickets does each player get? How many tickets does each player get exactly?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

Mira says that $48.36 \div .4 = 12.09$ because she divided 48.36 by 4. Is Mira correct? Explain how to find the quotient, then give the exact quotient.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Use $460 / 7$ to estimate, then find $455 / 7$.	Estimate: about 66. Exact quotient: 65.
2	Use $72 / 6$ to estimate, then find $73.2 / 6$.	Estimate: about 12. Exact quotient: 12.2.
3	Use $49 / .9$ to estimate, then find $48.6 / .9$.	Estimate: about 54. Exact quotient: 54.
4	Use $16 / .5$ to estimate, then find $15.75 / .5$.	Estimate: about 32. Exact quotient: 31.5.
5	Use $91 / 7$ to estimate, then find $92.4 / 7$.	Estimate: about 13. Exact quotient: 13.2.
6	Use $7.2 / .8$ to estimate, then find $7.28 / .8$.	Estimate: about 9. Exact quotient: 9.1.

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- Estimate: about 60 kits. Exact answer: 62 kits.** Use $18 / .3 = 60$ for an estimate. Multiply both numbers in $18.6 / .3$ by 10, then divide $186 / 3 = 62$.
- Estimate: about 25 tickets. Exact answer: 26 tickets.** Use $150 / 6 = 25$ for an estimate. Divide $156 / 6 = 26$.

CHALLENGE

No. Multiply both numbers by 10: $48.36 / .4 = 483.6 / 4 = 120.9$.

Accept reasonable estimates based on the compatible numbers named in each problem. For decimal divisors, accept any correct method that multiplies both the dividend and divisor by 10 before dividing.