

6.1 Part 1 *Review*

Rewrite each fraction so that the numerator and denominator have the same units. Then simplify.

$$1. \quad \frac{10 \text{ in.}}{3 \text{ ft}} \quad \frac{10 \cancel{\text{in}}}{36 \cancel{\text{in}}} \\ \boxed{\frac{5}{18}}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{350 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ kg}} \quad \frac{350 \cancel{\text{g}}}{1000 \cancel{\text{g}}} \\ \boxed{\frac{7}{20}}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{4 \text{ lb}}{30 \text{ oz}} \quad \frac{64 \cancel{\text{oz}}}{30 \cancel{\text{oz}}} \\ \boxed{\frac{32}{15}}$$

$$4. \quad \frac{3000 \text{ ft}}{2 \text{ mi}} \quad \frac{3000 \cancel{\text{ft}}}{10,560 \cancel{\text{ft}}} \\ \boxed{\frac{25}{88}}$$

6.1 Part 2 More on Proportions

A geometric sequence is one in which each number after the first is found by multiplying the previous number by a given factor.

$$3, \quad 15, \quad 75, \quad 375, \quad 1875 \\ \begin{array}{cccc} \curvearrowright & \curvearrowright & \curvearrowright & \curvearrowright \\ \times 5 & \times 5 & \times 5 & \times 5 \end{array}$$

Example 1

Find the next three terms in each geometric sequence.

$$12, 24, 48, \underline{96}, \underline{192}, \underline{384}$$

$\times 2 \quad \times 2$

$$-3, 9, -27, \underline{81}, \underline{-243}, \underline{729}$$

$\times -3 \quad \times -3$

$$512, 256, 128, \underline{64}, \underline{32}, \underline{16}$$

$\times \frac{1}{2} \quad \times \frac{1}{2}$

Check out the ratios that we can make of a term compared to the following term.

$$3, 15, 75, 375, 1875$$

$\times 5 \quad \times 5 \quad \times 5 \quad \times 5$

$$\boxed{\frac{3}{15} = \frac{15}{75} = \frac{75}{375} = \frac{375}{1875}}$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$

$$\frac{1}{5} \quad \frac{1}{5} \quad \frac{1}{5} \quad \frac{1}{5}$$

The terms between any two nonconsecutive terms of a geometric sequence are called the **geometric means**.

Example 2

Find the geometric mean between 2 and 10.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{)20} \\ 2 \overline{)10} \\ \underline{5} \end{array}$$

$$2, \underline{x}, 10$$

$$\frac{2}{x} \rightarrow \frac{x}{10}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{20}$$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{5}$$

Example 3

Find the geometric mean between 35 and 40.

$$35, \underline{x}, 40$$

$$\frac{35}{x} \rightarrow \frac{x}{40}$$

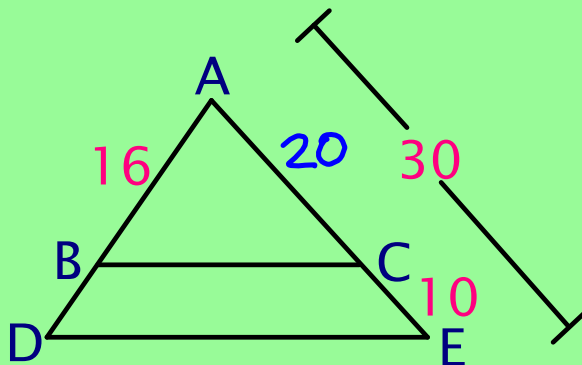
$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{35 \cdot 40}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{7 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$$

$$x = \pm 10\sqrt{14}$$

Example 4

In the diagram $\frac{AB}{BD} = \frac{AC}{CE}$. Find the length of \overline{BD} .



$$\frac{16}{x} \rightarrow \frac{20}{10}$$

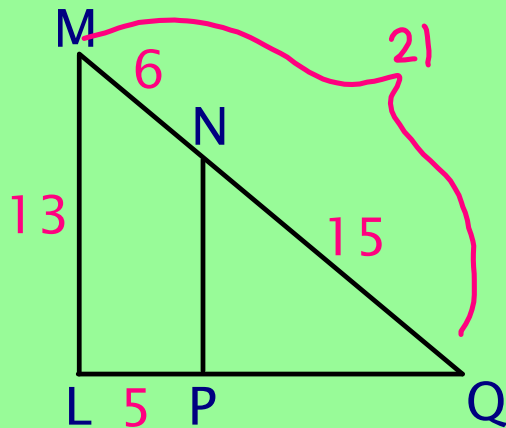
$$\frac{20x}{20} = \frac{160}{20}$$

$$x = 8$$

$$BD = 8$$

Example 5

In the diagram $\frac{MQ}{MN} = \frac{LQ}{LP}$. Find the length of \overline{LQ} .



$$\frac{21}{6} = \frac{x}{5}$$

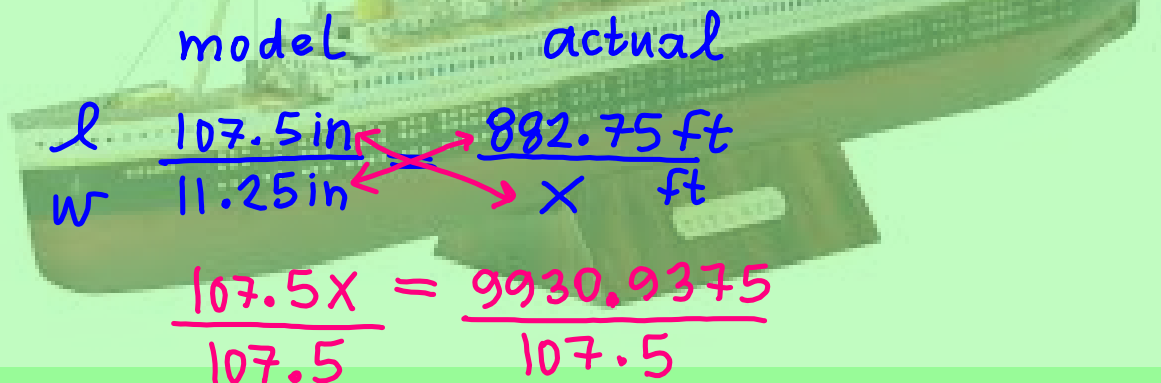
$$\frac{6x}{6} = \frac{105 \div 3}{6 \div 3}$$

$$x = \frac{35}{2}$$

$$\boxed{LQ = \frac{35}{2}}$$

Example 6

A scale model of the Titanic is 107.5 inches long and 11.25 inches wide. The Titanic itself was 882.75 feet long. How wide was it?



$$\boxed{x \approx 92.4 \text{ ft} \leftarrow \text{width}}$$

Example 7

A map has a scale of $3 \text{ cm} : 18 \text{ km}$. If Riverside and Smithville are 54 km apart, then how far apart are they on the map? Write a proportion and solve.

$$\frac{3 \text{ cm}}{18 \text{ km}} = \frac{x}{54 \text{ km}}$$

$$x = 9 \text{ cm}$$

Example 8

A 6.5 ft tall car standing next to an adult elephant casts a 33.2 ft shadow. If the adult elephant casts a shadow that is 51.5 ft long, then how tall is the animal?

$$\frac{\text{car height } 6.5 \text{ ft}}{\text{car shadow } 33.2 \text{ ft}} = \frac{x}{\text{ele. shadow } 51.5 \text{ ft}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{ele. height} \\ \text{ele. shadow} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{33.2x}{33.2} = \frac{334.75}{33.2}$$

$$x \approx 10.1 \text{ ft} \leftarrow \text{elephant's height}$$