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Compare Fractions Using Benchmarks

- **Reason** Tina started a project with two 1-gallon cans of paint. One can is now $\frac{4}{10}$ full, and the other can is $\frac{5}{8}$ full. Which can is less than $\frac{1}{2}$ full?
- Model with Mathematics Jax uses this recipe to make muffins. Does he use more baking soda or vanilla flavoring?
 Use comparison symbols to explain.

Muffin Recipe		
Flour	$\frac{3}{4}$ cup	
Sugar	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup	
Baking Soda	$\frac{7}{8}$ teaspoon	
Vanilla Flavor	$\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon	
Blueberries	2 cups	

- **STEM** Herbivores are animals that eat only plants. Carnivores are animals that eat only meat. In general, herbivores sleep less than carnivores. For example, giraffes in the wild sleep about $\frac{1}{6}$ of the day. In contrast, lions in the wild sleep about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the day. Which animal is the herbivore? Use a benchmark fraction to explain your thinking.
- 4 **Open Ended** Josh helps at the school fair for $\frac{3}{8}$ of the day. Sarai helps for $\frac{8}{12}$ of the day. Write and solve a comparison question about the amount of time they help at the fair.

Write > or < for the comparison.

$$\frac{5}{12} \bigcirc \frac{6}{8}$$

$$\frac{4}{6}$$
 $\frac{2}{5}$

$$\frac{7}{10} \frac{7}{0} \frac{4}{3}$$

Test Prep

8 Maura is using the benchmark $\frac{1}{2}$ to compare fractions. Select > or < to complete a true comparison for each pair of fractions.

	>	<
$\frac{3}{5}$ $\frac{2}{10}$		
$\frac{3}{8}$ \bigcirc $\frac{5}{6}$		
13 <u>14</u> 10		

- 9 Sal makes a pizza. He puts peppers on $\frac{3}{5}$ of the pizza and mushrooms on $\frac{1}{3}$ of the pizza. Which statement about the pizza is true?
 - \bigcirc $\frac{3}{5} > \frac{1}{3}$, so more of the pizza is covered with peppers.
 - (B) $\frac{1}{3} > \frac{3}{5}$, so more of the pizza is covered with mushrooms.
 - \bigcirc $\frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{5}$, so the same amount of the pizza is covered with each.
 - \bigcirc $\frac{3}{5} < \frac{1}{3}$, so less of the pizza is covered with peppers.
- 10 Write > or < to compare.

$$1\frac{4}{10}$$
 $1\frac{7}{12}$

Spiral Review

11 Use the area or perimeter formula to find the unknown measure of the rectangle.

Mrs. Perdomo walks for 25 minutes each day. She walks 4 days during the first week, 6 days during the second week, and 5 days during the third week. How many minutes does she walk in the three weeks?

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