

Adding and Subtracting Fractions

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1. Find a common denominator (Find the LCM of both denominators)
2. Write equivalent fractions using the common denominator.
3. Add or subtract the numerators.
4. Write the result over the common denominator
5. Simplify the answer, if necessary.

Four Square Method

Write the problem	Find the LCD
Rewrite the problem with LCD	Simplify

EXAMPLE:

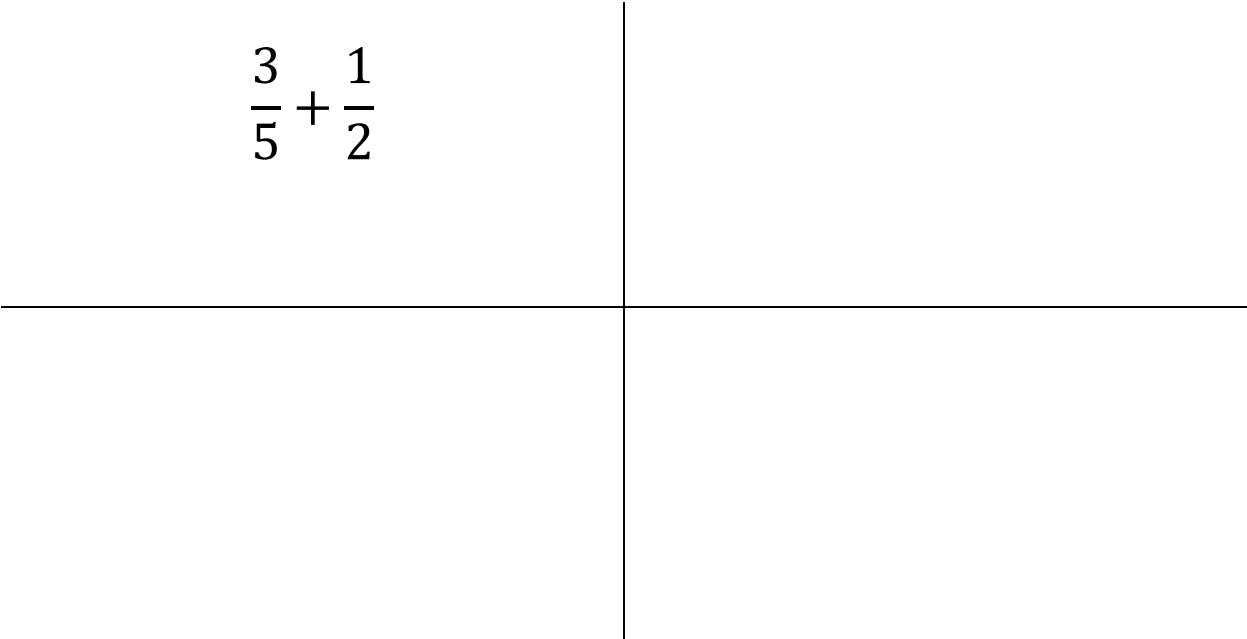
$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{4}$$

PRACTICE:

1. $\frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5}$

2. $\frac{5}{8} - \frac{3}{8}$

3.

$$\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{2}$$


4.

$$\frac{7}{8} + \frac{2}{3}$$
