



SKILL 24: Estimating Quotients

To estimate a quotient with a 1-digit divisor, round the dividend to a multiple of 10 that makes the division easy. Then estimate the quotient. To help you estimate quotients with 2-digit divisors, use compatible numbers for the dividend and the divisor.

Example 1

Estimate: $462 \div 8$.

$$462 \div 8$$



$$480 \div 8$$

Look at the dividend. Identify a basic fact related to 8.

46 is close to 48, and $48 \div 8 = 6$.

Round the dividend and estimate the quotient.

An estimated quotient of $462 \div 8$ is 60.

Example 2

Estimate: $1,704 \div 62$.

$$1,704 \div 62$$



$$1,800 \div 60$$

Look at both the dividend and the divisor.

Think of numbers that are close to each that are easy to divide.

Divide the compatible numbers to estimate the quotient.

An estimated quotient of $1,704 \div 62$ is 30.

Guided Practice

Estimate each quotient.

1. $125 \div 4$



$$120 \div 4 = \underline{\quad}$$

2. $316 \div 82$



$$320 \div 80 = \underline{\quad}$$

3. $2,586 \div 48$



$$2,500 \div 50 = \underline{\quad}$$

Estimate each quotient. Show what numbers you used.

4. $3,452 \div 7$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

5. $864 \div 3$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

6. $642 \div 17$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

7. $626 \div 9$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

8. $472 \div 53$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

9. $7,869 \div 22$



$$\underline{\quad} \div \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$$

SKILL 24: Practice

Estimate each quotient. Show what numbers you used.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1. \quad 635 \div 9 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2. \quad 5,924 \div 33 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3. \quad 233 \div 6 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4. \quad 809 \div 92 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5. \quad 7,468 \div 8 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6. \quad 371 \div 6 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$7. \quad 585 \div 58$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$8. \quad 517 \div 7$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$9. \quad 386 \div 5$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$10. \quad 362 \div 51$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$11. \quad 4,106 \div 55$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$12. \quad 145 \div 8$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$13. \quad 32,128 \div 36$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$14. \quad \$1,407 \div 21$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$15. \quad 3,827 \div 45$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \div \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

Solve.

16. Mrs. Karl is installing outdoor lighting for a housing complex. She spent \$1,009 for a carton of 48 light fixtures. Estimate the price of one fixture.



17. Allie can stuff 28 envelopes in one hour. Which of these division problems gives the best estimate of the number of hours it will take her to stuff 239 envelopes?

Skill 24

- A $300 \div 20$ C $240 \div 30$
B $200 \div 20$ D $300 \div 30$

18. A potter can make 8 mugs in one hour. What is the best estimate of the number of mugs he can make in 62 hours?

Skill 13

- F 8 H 70
G 48 J 480