

Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Different Denominators

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{27}{12}$$

$\frac{2}{3} \xrightarrow{\times 4} \frac{8}{12}$

$\frac{5}{6} \xrightarrow{\times 2} \frac{10}{12}$

$\frac{3}{4} \xrightarrow{\times 3} \frac{9}{12}$

Convert the fractions so that they have the same denominator by finding a common multiple of the denominators. Then, add or subtract the numerators.

1)

$$\frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{4}{6} = \frac{\square}{24}$$

$\frac{3}{8} \xrightarrow{\times \square} \frac{\square}{24}$

$\frac{3}{4} \xrightarrow{\times \square} \frac{\square}{24}$

$\frac{4}{6} \xrightarrow{\times \square} \frac{\square}{24}$

2) $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{4}{6}$

$$\frac{\square}{12} + \frac{\square}{12} + \frac{\square}{12} = \frac{\square}{12}$$

3) $\frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{7}{10}$

$$\frac{\square}{20} + \frac{\square}{20} + \frac{\square}{20} = \frac{\square}{20}$$

4) $\frac{3}{6} - \frac{1}{10}$

$$\frac{\square}{30} - \frac{\square}{30} = \frac{\square}{30}$$

5) $\frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{3}$

$$\frac{\square}{\square} - \frac{\square}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square}$$

Can you find a common multiple of 5 and 3 to use as the denominator?

