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CONVERTING MIXED NUMBERS TO IMPROPER FRACTIONS DIRECTED LEARNING ACTIVITY

Objective: Convert a mixed number to an improper fraction.

Activity: You will use a strategy for converting mixed numbers to improper fractions and then practice this strategy.

Example 1. Convert $3\frac{3}{8}$ to an improper fraction.

Steps to convert a mixed number to an improper fraction using multiplication:

1. Multiply the denominator times the whole number.

$$3 \begin{array}{r} 3 \\ \times \\ \hline 8 \end{array} \quad 3 \times 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

2. Now, add the numerator and keep the original denominator.

$$3 \begin{array}{r} +3 \\ \times \\ \hline 8 \end{array} \quad 3 \times 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

When we convert $3\frac{3}{8}$, the improper fraction result is _____.

Did you get $\frac{27}{8}$? Great!!

If you did not get this, check with the tutor to determine where you may have made an error.

Now try one on your own!

Example 2. Convert $10\frac{2}{3}$ to an improper fraction.

$$10\frac{2}{3} = \frac{3 \times 10 + 2}{3} =$$

Did you get $\frac{32}{3}$? Yay!!

Example 3. Convert $8\frac{2}{3}$ to an improper fraction.

You should get $\frac{26}{3}$.

After you go over the previous problems with a tutor, try the following, then check with a tutor to make sure you did them correctly.

1. $7\frac{1}{4}$

2. $1\frac{3}{4}$

3. $6\frac{1}{3}$

4. $12\frac{1}{6}$

5. $4\frac{2}{9}$

6. $2\frac{3}{5}$

For tutor use: Please check the appropriate box.

- Student has completed worksheet but may need further assistance. Recommend a follow-up with instructor.
- Student has mastered topic.

