

Which of these are rational numbers?

Rational numbers are any number that can be written as a fraction.

If a number isn't rational then it is **Irrational**

1. $12.8 = \frac{128}{10}$
2. $\sqrt{25} = 5 = \frac{5}{1}$
3. $\sqrt{3}$
4. $\frac{19}{7}$

Simplify as much as possible:

1. $\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{6}$

$$= \sqrt{6^2} = 6$$

2. $\sqrt[3]{7} \cdot \sqrt[3]{7}$

$$\sqrt[3]{7^2} \text{ or } \sqrt[3]{49}$$

This is as far as you can simplify.

What is the smallest number you could replace ? with in order to be able to do the square root?

1. $\sqrt{11 \cdot ?}$

$$= \sqrt{11 \cdot 11}$$

$$= \sqrt{11^2} = 11$$

2. $\sqrt{12 \cdot ?}$

$$= \sqrt{12 \cdot 3}$$

$$= \sqrt{36} = 6$$

What is the smallest number you could replace ? with in order to be able to do the cube root?

1. $\sqrt[3]{7 \cdot ?}$

$$\sqrt[3]{7 \cdot 7^2}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{7^3}$$

$$= 7$$

2. $\sqrt[3]{25 \cdot ?}$

$$\sqrt[3]{5^2 \cdot 5}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{5^3}$$

$$= 5$$

Sec 7-2: Rationalizing Denominators of Radical Expressions

To rationalize a denominator means to remove any irrational number from the denominator.

Rationalize each denominator and simplify. Assume all variables are positive.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad & \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{11}} = \frac{2\sqrt{11}}{11} \\
 2. \quad & \frac{10}{\sqrt{6w}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{6w}}{\sqrt{6w}} = \frac{10\sqrt{6w}}{\sqrt{6^2 w^2}} \\
 & = \frac{10\sqrt{6w}}{6w} = \frac{5\sqrt{6w}}{3w}
 \end{aligned}$$

Rationalize each denominator and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad & \frac{2}{\sqrt{31}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{31}}{\sqrt{31}} = \frac{2\sqrt{31}}{31} \\
 2. \quad & \frac{7}{\sqrt{8}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{16}} \\
 & = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Rationalize each denominator and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad & \frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{7}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{7^2}}{\sqrt[3]{7^2}} = \frac{2\sqrt[3]{7^2}}{\sqrt[3]{7^3}} \\
 & = \frac{2\sqrt[3]{7^2}}{7} \\
 2. \quad & \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{25}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{5}}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \\
 & = \frac{\sqrt[3]{5}}{\sqrt[3]{5^3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{5}}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{10}{\sqrt{12}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{36}} = \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{6} = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad \frac{18}{\sqrt[3]{4}} &= \frac{18}{\sqrt[3]{2^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \frac{18\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{2^3}} \\
 &= \frac{18\sqrt[3]{2}}{2} \\
 &= \boxed{9\sqrt[3]{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Rationalize each denominator and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad \frac{15}{\sqrt[4]{27}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[4]{3}}{\sqrt[4]{3}} &= \frac{15\sqrt[4]{3}}{\sqrt[4]{8^4}} = \frac{15\sqrt[4]{3}}{8} = \boxed{5\sqrt[4]{3}} \\
 2. \quad \frac{41}{\sqrt[5]{8}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Rationalize each denominator and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. \quad \frac{41}{\sqrt[5]{8}} &= \frac{41}{\sqrt[5]{2^3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[5]{2^2}}{\sqrt[5]{2^2}} = \frac{41\sqrt[5]{4}}{\sqrt[5]{2^5}} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{41\sqrt[5]{4}}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$