

# Equivalent Fractions

Equivalent = equal

Finding an "equal value" fraction.

Option 1: Changing the original fraction into larger numbers by MULTIPLYING the numerator and denominator by the same number.

Examples:  $\frac{2}{3} \times 2 = \frac{4}{6}$  |  $\frac{2}{3} \times 11 = \frac{22}{33}$  |  $\frac{2}{3} \times 13 = \frac{26}{39}$

Option 2: Sometimes you can write the original fraction with "smaller" (more simple) numbers. This is when it's NOT in simplest form (on back). You have to find a common factor of the numerator and denominator to divide them by.

Examples:  $\frac{10 \div 2}{12 \div 2} = \frac{5}{6}$  |  $\frac{20 \div 5}{30 \div 5} = \frac{4}{6}$  |  $\frac{8 \div 4}{16 \div 4} = \frac{2}{4}$