

Simple or Vulgar Fraction e.g: [$\frac{3}{4}$]

A number expressed with numerator and denominator. Say I have 3 of 10 apples then I will express it as $\frac{3}{10}$. The total is written below a horizontal or diagonal line, and the number of parts comprising the fraction (numerator) is written above. Such fractions are called vulgar fractions or simple fractions.

Decimal Fraction e.g: [0.45773]

Expressing the fraction in decimal values (denominator a power of 10) is called decimal fraction. $\frac{1}{2}$ is expressed as 0.5 in decimal fraction.

Converting a decimal to vulgar fraction:

Method:

- Calculate the total numbers after decimal point.
- Remove the decimal point from the number.
- Put 1 under the denominator and annex it with "0" as many as the total in step a.
- Reduce the fraction to its lowest terms. Example: Consider 0.44

Step a: Total number after decimal point is 2

Step b and c: $\frac{44}{100}$

Step d: Reducing it to lowest terms : $\frac{44}{100} = \frac{22}{50} = \frac{11}{25}$

Converting a recurring decimal to vulgar fraction A decimal with recurring value is called recurring decimal.

E.g: $\frac{2}{9}$ will give 0.2222222..... where 2 is recurring number.

Method:

- Separate the recurring number from the decimal fraction.
- Annex denominator with "9" as many times as the length of the recurring number.
- Reduce the fraction to its lowest terms.

Example: Consider 0.2323232323

Step a: The recurring number is 23

Step b: $\frac{23}{99}$ [the number 23 is of length 2 so we have added two nines]

Step c: Reducing it to lowest terms : $\frac{23}{99}$ [it can not be reduced further].

* Mixed Recurring to Fractions:

If $N = 0.abcbcbc....$ Then $N = abc - a / 990 =$ Repeated & non-repeated digits - Non repeated digits /

As many 9's as repeated digits followed by as many zero as non - repeated digits

eg: $0.25757..... = \frac{257 - 2}{990} = \frac{255}{990} = \frac{17}{60}$.