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Solutions
Class 8 Maths
Chapter 1
Ex 1.8

Q-1: Find a rational number between -3 and 1.

Solution:

Rational number between -3 and 1 is $\frac{-3+1}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$

Q-2. Find any five rational numbers less than 2.

Solution.

We can write:

$$2 = \frac{2}{1} = \frac{2 \times 5}{1 \times 5} = \frac{10}{5}$$

Integers less than 10 are 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Hence, five rational numbers less than 2 are $\frac{0}{5}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{2}{5}$, $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{4}{5}$

Q-3. Find two rational numbers between $\frac{-2}{9}$ and $\frac{5}{9}$.

Solution:

Since, both the fractions $(\frac{-2}{9} \text{ and } \frac{5}{9})$ have the same denominator, the integers between the numerators (-2 and 5) are -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Hence, two rational numbers between $(\frac{-2}{9} \text{ and } \frac{5}{9})$ are $(\frac{0}{9} \text{ or } 0 \text{ and } \frac{1}{9})$

Q-4. Find two rational numbers between $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Solution:

Rational number between $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2})}{(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2})} = \frac{\frac{2+5}{10}}{\frac{2}{20}} = \frac{7}{20}$

Rational number between $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{7}{20} = \frac{(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{7}{20})}{2} = \frac{\frac{4+7}{20}}{\frac{20}{2}} = \frac{11}{40}$

Therefore, two rational numbers between $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ are $\frac{7}{20}$ and $\frac{11}{40}$

Q-5. Find ten rational numbers between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Solution:

The LCM of the denominators (2 and 4) is 4.

So, we can write $\frac{1}{4}$ as it is

Also,
$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 2}$$

As the integers between the numerators 1 and 2 of both the fractions are not sufficient, we will multiply the fractions by 20.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1 \times 20}{4 \times 20} = \frac{20}{80} \frac{2}{4} = \frac{2 \times 20}{4 \times 20} = \frac{40}{80}$$

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Thus,
$$\frac{21}{40}$$
, $\frac{22}{40}$, $\frac{23}{40}$, $\frac{24}{40}$, $\frac{25}{40}$, ..., $\frac{38}{40}$ and $\frac{39}{40}$ are the fractions

We can take any 10 of these.

Q-6. Find ten rational numbers between $\frac{-2}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Solution:

LCM of the denominators (2 and 5) of both the fractions is 10.

We can write:

$$\frac{-2}{5} = \frac{-2 \times 2}{5 \times 2} \frac{-4}{10}$$
And $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \times 5}{2 \times 5} \frac{5}{10}$

Since, the integers between the numerators (-4 and 5) of both the fractions are not sufficient, we will multiply the fractions by 2.

$$\therefore \frac{-4}{10} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{10 \times 2} = \frac{-8}{20} \cdot \frac{5}{10} = \frac{5 \times 2}{10 \times 2} = \frac{10}{20}$$

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These can be written as:

$$\frac{-7}{20}$$
, $\frac{-6}{20}$, $\frac{-5}{20}$, $\frac{-4}{20}$, ..., $\frac{8}{20}$ and $\frac{9}{20}$ We can take any 10 of these.

Q-7. Find ten rational numbers between $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$.

Solution:

LCM of the denominators (5 and 4) of both the fractions is 20.

We can write:

$$\frac{\frac{3}{5} = \frac{3 \times 4}{5 \times 4} \cdot \frac{12}{20}}{\text{And } \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3 \times 5}{4 \times 5} \cdot \frac{15}{20}}$$

Since, the integers between the numerators (12 and 15) of both the fractions are not sufficient, we will multiply the fractions by 5.

$$\therefore \frac{12}{20} = \frac{12 \times 5}{20 \times 5} = \frac{60}{100} \frac{15}{20} = \frac{15 \times 5}{20 \times 5} = \frac{75}{100}$$

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$$\frac{60}{100}, \frac{61}{100}, \frac{62}{100}, \frac{63}{100}, \dots, \frac{73}{100} \text{ and } \frac{74}{100}$$
 We can take any 10 of these.