

Chapter 7 Problems of the Week Answers

1. a) $\left(\frac{4}{6} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{6}\right) = 3$

b) $\left(\frac{4}{6} + \frac{2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{5}{6}\right) = 3$

2. a) Yes. $9, 10\frac{2}{5}, 11\frac{4}{5}, 13\frac{1}{5}, 14\frac{3}{5}$

Add $1\frac{2}{5}$ to the previous number.

b) No. $10\frac{1}{2}, 10\frac{1}{8}, 9\frac{3}{4}, 9\frac{3}{8}, 9$

Subtract $\frac{3}{8}$ from the previous number.

c) No. $9\frac{5}{8}, 11\frac{1}{4}, 12\frac{7}{8}, 14\frac{1}{2}, 16\frac{1}{8}$

Add $1\frac{5}{8}$ to the previous number.

3. a) $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{5}{6}$ b) $\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{7} = \frac{26}{35}, \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{7} = \frac{22}{35}$

c) $\frac{4}{5} + \frac{3}{6} = 1\frac{3}{10}, \frac{4}{6} + \frac{3}{5} = 1\frac{4}{15}$

4. a) $\frac{4}{6} - \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{12}, \frac{4}{8} - \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$ b) $\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{5}{12}, \frac{2}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$

c) $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{7} = \frac{16}{35}, \frac{3}{7} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{8}{35}$

5. Never, because any fraction divided by 2 does not equal 0

6. a) $\frac{1}{100}, \frac{5}{100}, \frac{10}{100}, \frac{25}{100}, \frac{50}{100}, \frac{100}{100}$

b) Answers may vary. For example:
11 coins;

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100} + \frac{5}{100} \\ & + \frac{5}{100} + \frac{10}{100} + \frac{25}{100} + \frac{50}{100} + \frac{100}{100} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

7. Answers should list any seven unequal fractions with a sum of 1. For example:

red = $\frac{1}{28}$; orange = $\frac{2}{28}$, yellow = $\frac{3}{28}$,

green = $\frac{4}{28}$, blue = $\frac{5}{28}$, indigo = $\frac{6}{28}$,

violet = $\frac{7}{28}$