

How to Make Denominators the Same

1. First, try to make the smaller denominator into the larger denominator by multiplying.

Example: $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{6} =$

2. If number one does not work, multiply the denominators by each other (don't forget the numerators!). **Note:** Only do this if it gives you less than 30.

Example: $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{6} =$

3. If neither of the above work, you have to list out your multiples and choose the least common multiple as your denominator.

Example: $\frac{4}{6} - \frac{3}{8} =$

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