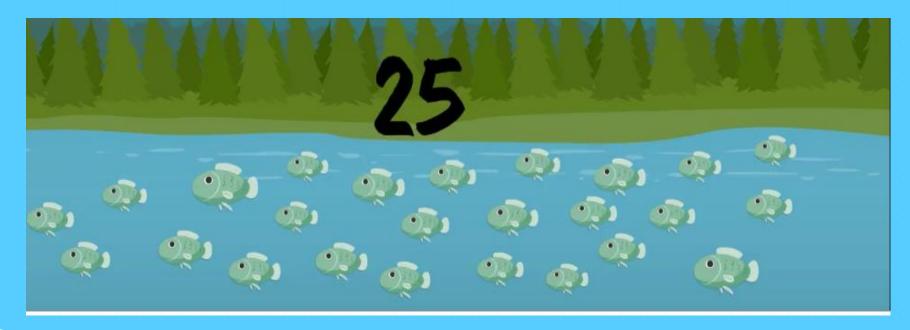
COMPARE UNLIKE DENOMINATORS

Step I

Compute the fraction from last year.



25 Fish over I foot long.

Step I

Total number of fish caught was 125



Step I

Our Fraction is:

25125

Step 2

Reduce the fraction

• 25 and 125 can be divided by 25

$$25 \div 25 = 1$$
 = $\frac{1}{5}$ 125 ÷25 = 5

Step 3

Compute the fraction from this fishing trip

• Find the fraction of fish over I foot long that you caught this year.



<u>14</u> 40

Step 4 Reduce the Fraction $\frac{14}{40}$

• 14 and 40 can be divided by.... 2

Step 5

Compare the fractions

Which is greater?

Find the Least Common Multiple



What is a multiple?

Multiples of a number = the numbers you get when you multiply it by other numbers.

For example: 8, 16, 24, 32, are all multiples of 8



Common Multiple

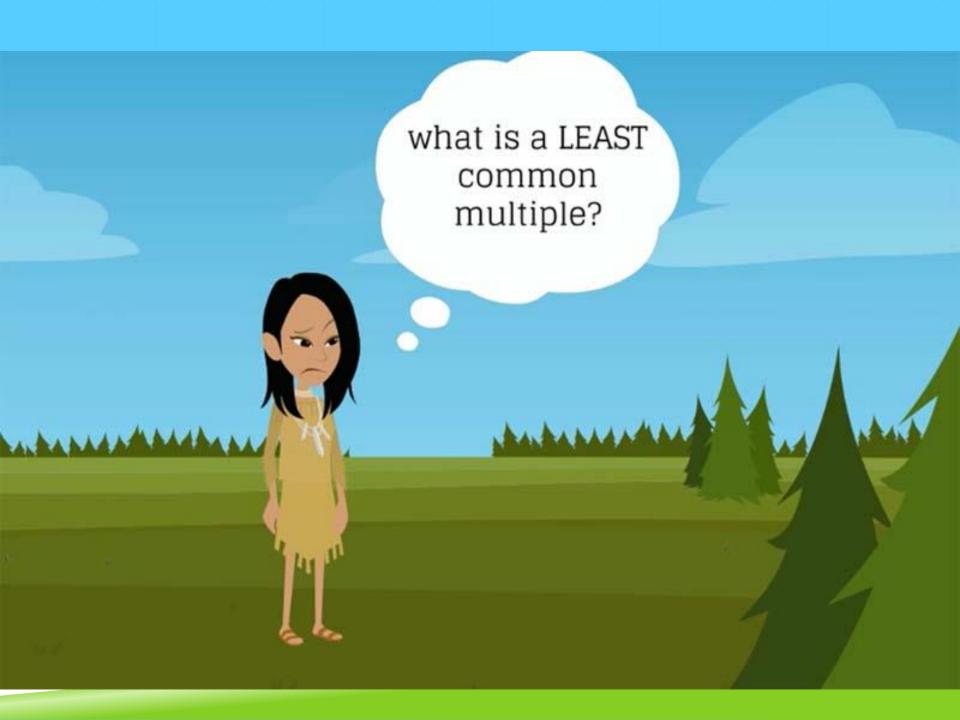
When 2 numbers have a common multiple it means that the same number is multiple of both of them

FOR EXAMPLE:

Multiples

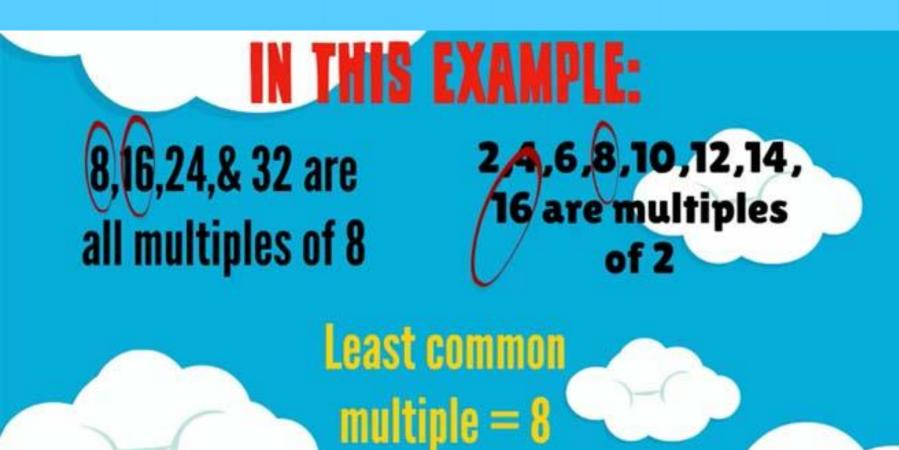
8,16,24,& 32 are all multiples of 8

2,4,6,8,10,12,14,
16 are multiples
8 and 16 are of 2
Common



Least Common Multiple:

The lowest number that is a common multiple



Going back to the fish problem...

Find the least common multiple of 5 and 20

The least common multiple =

Multiples of 5 = 5,10,15,20,25...

Multiples of 20= 20,40...

The least common multiple is: 20

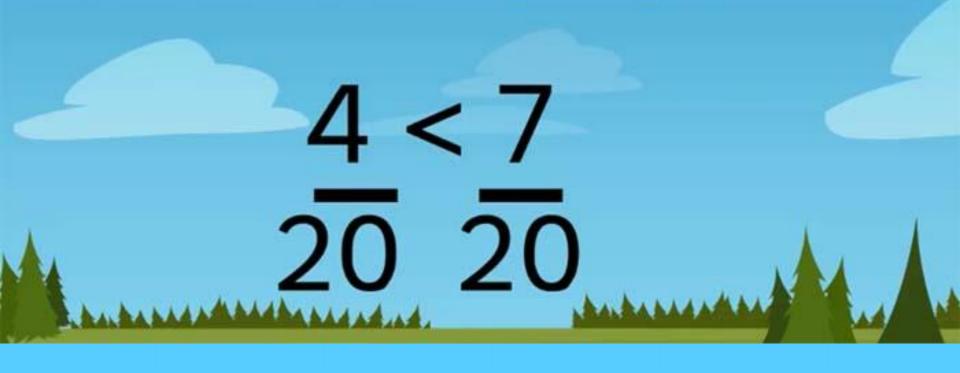
The Last Step

$$\frac{4 \times 1}{4 \times 5} = \frac{4}{20}$$



- Multiply the denominator, 5, to equal 20
- What you do to the bottom number, you do to the top number equally.

There were fewer fish caugh last year because:



All together now:

Caught Last Year

$$\frac{25}{125} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Caught this Year

$$\frac{14}{40} = \frac{7}{20}$$

And then we changed our fraction 1/5...

All together now:

Caught Last Year

$$\frac{25}{125} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Caught this Year

$$\frac{14}{40} = \frac{7}{20}$$

<u>4</u> 20 Last year 4 < 7 - 20 20

The fraction of the fish over a foot long, was more this year than last year.