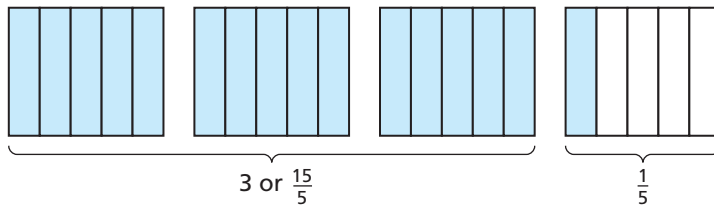


# Mixed Numbers and Improper Fractions

A **mixed number** is the sum of a whole number and a fraction. An **improper fraction** is a fraction with a numerator that is greater than or equal to the denominator.

The shaded part of the model represents the mixed number  $3\frac{1}{5}$  and the improper fraction  $\frac{16}{5}$ .



**Example 1** Write  $4\frac{5}{8}$  as an improper fraction.

$$\begin{aligned} 4\frac{5}{8} &= 4 + \frac{5}{8} && \text{Definition of mixed number} \\ &= \frac{32}{8} + \frac{5}{8} && \text{1 whole} = \frac{8}{8}. \text{ So, 4 wholes} = \frac{32}{8}. \\ &= \frac{37}{8} && \text{Add.} \end{aligned}$$

►  $4\frac{5}{8}$  written as an improper fraction is  $\frac{37}{8}$ .

**Example 2** Write  $\frac{19}{7}$  as a mixed number.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 7 \overline{)19} \\ \underline{14} \\ 5 \end{array}$$

Divide the numerator, 19, by the denominator, 7. The quotient is 2.

The remainder is 5. Write the remainder as a fraction,  $\frac{\text{remainder}}{\text{divisor}}$ .

►  $\frac{19}{7}$  written as a mixed number is  $2\frac{5}{7}$ .

## Practice

Check your answers at [BigIdeasMath.com](http://BigIdeasMath.com).

Write the mixed number as an improper fraction.

1.  $1\frac{4}{5}$

2.  $3\frac{1}{6}$

3.  $10\frac{7}{10}$

4.  $2\frac{12}{13}$

5.  $6\frac{5}{9}$

6.  $4\frac{3}{20}$

7.  $7\frac{6}{7}$

8.  $25\frac{2}{3}$

Write the improper fraction as a mixed number.

9.  $\frac{9}{2}$

10.  $\frac{13}{5}$

11.  $\frac{25}{3}$

12.  $\frac{31}{9}$

13.  $\frac{59}{10}$

14.  $\frac{43}{4}$

15.  $\frac{35}{8}$

16.  $\frac{67}{11}$

17. Find the improper fraction with a denominator of 8 that is equivalent to  $3\frac{1}{2}$ .

18. Find the improper fraction with a denominator of 12 that is equivalent to  $5\frac{3}{4}$ .