## math Skill Practice <br> Simplifying Fractions

S Simplify the following fractions. Show your work.

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\begin{array}{lll}
\frac{12 \div 6}{30 \div 6}=\frac{2}{5} & \frac{20}{24}=- & \frac{63}{70}= \\
\frac{5}{15}=- & \frac{27}{45}=\square & \frac{10}{20}= \\
\frac{3}{18}=-\quad & \frac{18}{27}=\square & \frac{24}{32}=
\end{array}
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* Now that you've got the hang of it, look closely at the following fractions. They do not simplify very well, but they are very close to a simplifiable fraction. For example, 51/100 cannot be simplified, but we know that $\mathbf{5 0 / 1 0 0}=\mathbf{1 / 2}$. So, 50/100 can be approximated to 1/2. Be sure to show your work.

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\begin{array}{lll}
\frac{16}{63} \approx \frac{1}{4} & \frac{75}{99} \approx- & \frac{13}{25} \approx \\
\approx \frac{16 \div 16}{64 \div 16} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} & & \\
\frac{19}{100} \approx- & \frac{11}{72} \approx- \\
\frac{28}{71} \approx- & \frac{24}{99} \approx \square
\end{array}
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