CLASS NOTES: Bits & Pieces II

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Addition Algorithms

Below are most of the algorithms that you and your classmates came up with in class. Please choose 1 or 2 algorithms that you will use on a regular basis.

Vertical set-up with wholes and fractions separated		Vertical set-up with mixed numbers kept together
$3\frac{4}{6} + 2\frac{1}{4} =$		$3\frac{4}{6} + 2\frac{1}{4} =$
3	$\frac{4}{6} \left(\times \frac{2}{2} \right) = \frac{8}{12}$	$3\frac{4}{6}\left(\times\frac{2}{2}\right) = 3\frac{8}{12}$
+ 2	$\frac{1}{4} \left(\times \frac{3}{3} \right) = \frac{3}{12}$	$2\frac{1}{4}\left(\times\frac{3}{3}\right) = 2\frac{3}{12}$
5	$\frac{11}{12} = 5\frac{11}{12}$	$5\frac{11}{12}$
Horizontal set-up with mixed numbers kept together		Convert to percents, add percents, convert back to fraction
$3\frac{4}{6}\left(\times\frac{2}{2}\right) + 2\frac{1}{4}\left(\times\frac{3}{3}\right)$		$2\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{4}$
$3\frac{8}{12} + 2\frac{3}{12}$		250% + 125%
$5\frac{11}{12}$		$375\% = 3\frac{3}{4}$

Converting mixed numbers to improper fractions, adding, then converting back to mixed numbers	Find common denominators by multiplying the two denominators and cross-multiplying to get numerators
$5\frac{2}{10} + 2\frac{3}{4} =$ $5\frac{2}{10} \left(\times \frac{2}{2} \right) = 5\frac{4}{20} = \frac{104}{20}$ $+ 2\frac{3}{4} \left(\times \frac{5}{5} \right) = 2\frac{15}{20} = \frac{55}{20}$ $\frac{159}{20} = 7\frac{19}{20}$	$5\frac{2}{10}+2\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$ $(5+2)$ $\frac{8}{40} + \frac{30}{40} = \frac{38}{40}$ $(5+2)$ $\frac{8}{40} + \frac{30}{40} = \frac{38}{40}$ $7 + \frac{38}{40} = 7\frac{38}{40} = 7\frac{19}{20}$

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