

M9

1.8 Operations with Mixed Numbers

- Convert all mixed numbers into improper fractions.
 - Reduce individual fractions if possible.
 - Follow BEDMAS when carrying out the given operations.
 - Reduce the final answer and convert it to a mixed number if possible.
- ❖ **Remember** to change division to multiplication and reciprocate the fraction that is immediately after the division symbol.
 - ❖ **Remember** to simplify diagonally **only** if fractions have a **multiplication** symbol between them.

A negative mixed number turns into a negative improper fraction.
The rules of conversion of mixed numbers to improper fractions remain the same.
There is NO subtraction in the process.

$$-5\frac{2}{7} = -\frac{37}{7}$$

$$-4\frac{3}{7} = -\frac{31}{7}$$

Solve

1. $4\frac{1}{3} \times 12 =$

$$= \frac{13}{3} \times \frac{12}{1}$$

$$= \frac{52}{1} = \boxed{52}$$

$$2. \quad 1\frac{3}{4} \div 7\frac{3}{5} =$$

$$= \frac{7}{4} \div \frac{38}{5}$$

$$= \frac{7}{4} \times \frac{5}{38} = \boxed{\frac{35}{152}}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{3}{4} + 6\frac{1}{8} =$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 2}{4 \times 2} + \frac{49}{8}$$

$$= \frac{6}{8} + \frac{49}{8}$$

$$= \frac{55}{8}$$

$$= \boxed{6\frac{7}{8}}$$

$$4. \quad -2\frac{1}{4} \div 3\frac{4}{9} =$$

$$= -\frac{9}{4} \div \frac{31}{9}$$

$$= -\frac{9}{4} \times \frac{9}{31}$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{81}{124}}$$