

Problem Set Sample Solutions

Round to estimate the quotient. Then, compute the quotient using a calculator, and compare the estimate to the quotient.

Estimates may vary.

1. $715 \div 11$

Estimate: $700 \div 10 = 70$

Quotient: $715 \div 11 = 65$

Comparison: Since the dividend is very close to a multiple of ten, the quotient is very close to the estimate.

2. $7,884 \div 12$

Estimate: $8,000 \div 10 = 800$

Quotient: $7,884 \div 12 = 657$

Comparison: The dividend is close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is close to the estimate.

3. $9,646 \div 13$

Estimate: $10,000 \div 10 = 1,000$

Quotient: $9,646 \div 13 = 742$

Comparison: The dividend is somewhat close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is fairly close to the estimate.

4. $11,942 \div 14$

Estimate: $12,000 \div 10 = 1,200$

Quotient: $11,942 \div 14 = 853$

Comparison: The dividend is not as close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is not nearly as close to the estimate as dividends that are closer to a multiple of ten.

5. $48,825 \div 15$

Estimate: $50,000 \div 10 = 5,000$

Quotient: $48,825 \div 15 = 3,255$

Comparison: The dividend is midway between multiples of ten. The quotient is in the same place value but is not as close to the estimate as dividends that are closer to a multiple of ten.

6. $135,296 \div 16$

Estimate: $140,000 \div 20 = 7,000$

Quotient: $135,296 \div 16 = 8,456$

Comparison: The dividend is not as close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is not nearly as close to the estimate as dividends that are closer to a multiple of ten.

7. $199,988 \div 17$

Estimate: $200,000 \div 20 = 10,000$

Quotient: $199,998 \div 17 = 11,764$

Comparison: The dividend is somewhat close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is fairly close to the estimate.

8. $116,478 \div 18$

Estimate: $120,000 \div 20 = 6,000$

Quotient: $116,478 \div 18 = 6,471$

Comparison: The dividend is close to a multiple of ten, so the quotient is close to the estimate.

9. $99,066 \div 19$

Estimate: $100,000 \div 20 = 5,000$

Quotient: $99,066 \div 19 = 5,214$

Comparison: Since the dividend is very close to a multiple of ten, the quotient is very close to the estimate.

10. $181,800 \div 20$

Estimate: $180,000 \div 20 = 9,000$

Quotient: $181,800 \div 20 = 9,090$

Comparison: Since the divisor is a multiple of ten, the quotient is almost exactly the same as the estimate.