

Homework #26 – Identifying Proportional Relationships and Intro to Constant of Proportionality

Directions: In each table determine if y is proportional to x. Explain why or why not.

1) **Proportional**

x	y
3	12
5	20
2	8
8	32

$\frac{y}{x}$

$\frac{12}{3} = 4$
 $\frac{20}{5} = 4$
 $\frac{8}{2} = 4$
 $\frac{32}{8} = 4$

2) **Not Proportional**

x	y
3	15
4	17
5	19
6	21

$\frac{y}{x}$

$\frac{15}{3} = 5$
 $\frac{17}{4} = 4.25$

3) **Proportional**

x	y
6	4
9	6
12	8
3	2

$\frac{y}{x}$

$\frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$
 $\frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$
 $\frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3}$
 $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

4) Kayla made observations about the selling price of a new brand of coffee that sold in three different sized bags. She recorded those observations in the following table:

Ounces of Coffee	6	8	16
Price in Dollars	\$2.10	\$2.80	\$5.60

Is the price proportional to the amount of coffee? Why or why not? If this is proportional, state the constant of proportionality (k).

$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{\$}{oz}$
 $\frac{\$2.10}{6} = \frac{\$0.35}{1}$
 $\frac{\$2.80}{8} = \frac{\$0.35}{1}$
 $\frac{\$5.60}{16} = \frac{\$0.35}{1}$

Proportional Since all unit rates are equal.
 $K = 0.35$

5) You and your friends go to the movies. It costs \$9.50 for one person, \$19 if two people go and it costs \$28 if three people go. Is the number of people who go to the movies proportional to the cost? Explain. If it is a proportional relationship, state the constant of proportionality.

$$\frac{\$}{\text{People}} \quad \frac{9.50}{1} = 9.50 \quad \frac{19}{2} = 9.50 \quad \frac{28}{3} = 9.33$$

Unit Rates are not equal.

Proportional or Not proportional (circle one).

k = _____

6) The table below shows the relationship between the number of cars sold and money earned for a car salesperson. Is the money earned proportional to the number of cars sold? Explain why or why not. If this is a proportional relationship, state the constant of proportionality (k).

$$\frac{Y}{X} \quad \frac{250}{1} = 250 \quad \frac{600}{2} = 300$$

Number of Cars Sold	Money Earned
1	250
2	600
3	950
4	1076
5	1555

Not Proportional. Unit Rates are not equal.

Review: Which is the better buy: a 24 pack of water for \$4.99 or a 36 pack of water for \$7.25? Show all work and explain.

$$\frac{\$}{\text{gallon}} \quad \frac{4.99}{24} = 0.21$$

$$\frac{7.25}{36} = 0.20$$

36 pack is the better buy b/c it has the lower unit price.