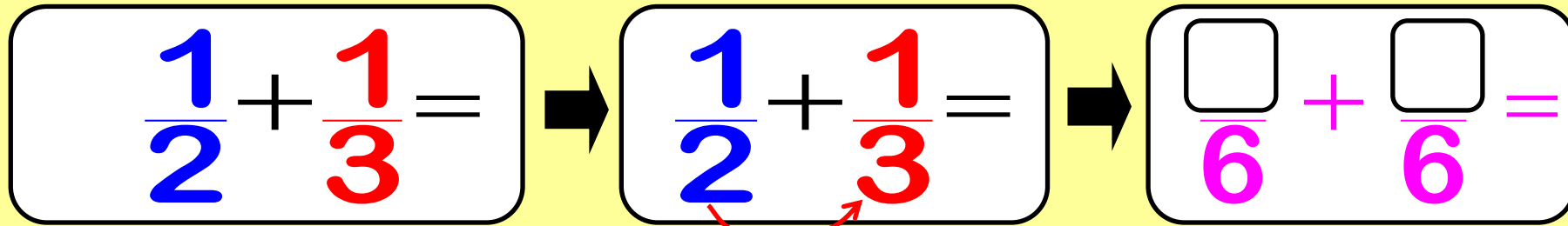


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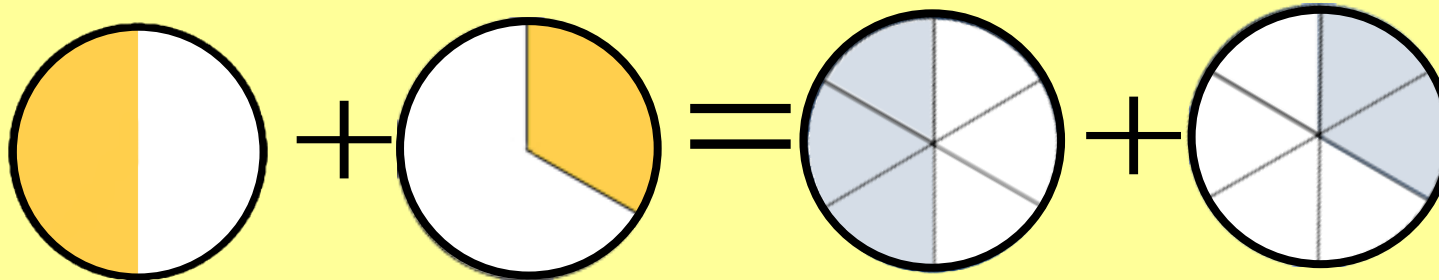
To add fractions first make the fractions equivalent so they have the same denominator.



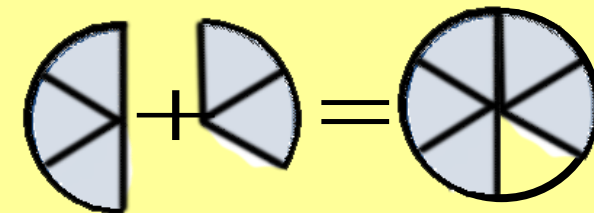
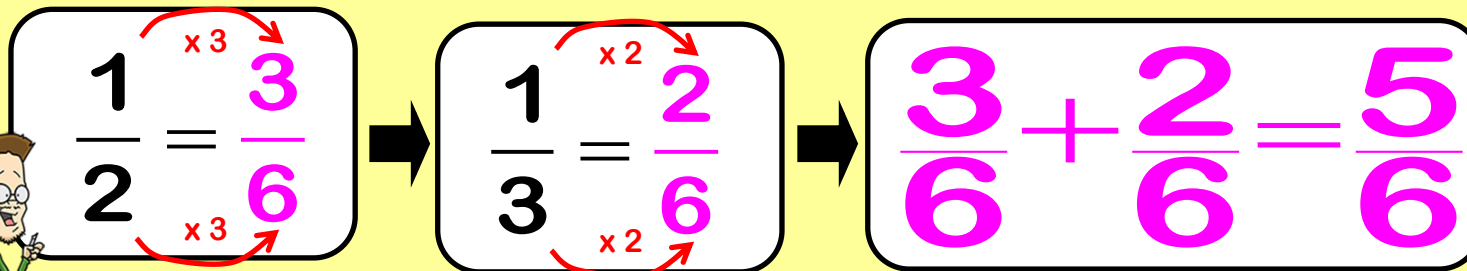
$2 \times 3 = 6$

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REMEMBER: Denominator means the number at the bottom.



Having a common denominator makes it possible to add the fractions.





$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{2}{5} = ? \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{7}{8} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{\square}{40} - \frac{\square}{40} =$$

$8 \times 5 = 40$

$$\frac{7}{8} = \frac{7 \times 5}{8 \times 5} = \frac{35}{40} \quad \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2 \times 8}{5 \times 8} = \frac{16}{40} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{35}{40} - \frac{16}{40} =$$

$$\frac{35}{40} - \frac{16}{40} = \frac{19}{40}$$