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$$\frac{18}{27} \quad \frac{\div}{\div} \quad \frac{9}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$$



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e.
$$\frac{16}{24}$$
 =

f.
$$\frac{18}{48}$$
 =

g.
$$\frac{16}{44}$$
 =

h.
$$\frac{9}{21}$$

i.
$$\frac{25}{30}$$
 =

j.
$$\frac{8}{22}$$
 =

k.
$$\frac{12}{30}$$
 =

I.
$$\frac{5}{20}$$
 =

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