Ratio Word Problems

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- 4. I have 12 blue marbles and 4 red marbles. What is the ratio of blue marbles to that of the red ones?
- 5. I bought 2 kilograms of apples and 600 grams of sugar. What is the ratio of the mass of apples to that of the sugar?



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Answers

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$$(15 \div 3) \times 5 = 25 \text{ sheep}$$

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$$(20 \div 10) \times 9 = 18 \text{ paperclips}$$

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$$6:3=2:1$$

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$$12:4=3:1$$

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$$2,000:600=10:3$$

6. The ratio German cars to Japanse cars in a parking lot is 2:3. If you count 10 German cars, how many Japanese cars are parked?

$$(10 \div 2) \times 3 = 15$$
 Japanese cars