

Directions: Using your knowledge of ratios and multiplying fractions, complete the statements on the included worksheet about compost heap ratios.

1. If our class wants to use newspaper in the compost heap, we need to put in \_\_\_\_\_\_ times as much horse manure.

2. The class has two compost ingredients: Food scraps (green) and dried leaves (brown). For the ingredients to be in balance with each other, the class needs to use \_\_\_\_\_\_ times as much food scraps.

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (brown) and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (green) are the only two ingredients that don't need an extra amount for the heap to be in balance.

4. *True or False:* If the class only has a small amount of alfalfa, the students should use newspaper to put the heap in balance.

5. *True or false:* The class has collected pine needles for their compost heap. Next, they want to add grass clippings. One student says they need to use 5 times as much grass clippings as pine needles for it to be in balance.