## Prealgebra ~ Lesson 21

Work the following examples as you listen to the recorded lecture.

## **Multiplying Fractions**

Steps to Multiplying Fractions:

- 1. Cross-reduce
- 2. Multiply numerators
- 3. Multiply denominators
- 4. Reduce, if needed

Multiply the following fractions:

Example 1: 
$$\frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{4}$$

Example 2: 
$$\frac{18x}{20} \cdot \frac{36}{99}$$

Example 3: 
$$3a^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

Example 4: 
$$\frac{x^3}{y^3} \cdot \frac{y^2}{x}$$

Example 5: 
$$\frac{11}{20} \cdot \frac{1}{7} \cdot \frac{5}{22}$$

Example 6: 
$$-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2$$