An improper fraction has a larger numerator than the denominator (4/3). A mixed number is a number with a whole and a fraction (11/3). Once you have the *mixed numbers* change to an *improper fraction* and reduce to *lowest terms*.

$$7_{2/7}$$
 - $3_{1/7}$ = $5_{1/2}$ + $4_{1/2}$ = $5_{1/2}$ + $4_{1/2}$ = $5_{1/2}$ + $5_{1/2}$ + $5_{1/2}$ = $5_{1/2}$ = 5_{1