## **Classroom Quickies**

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Classroom Quickies is a series of three booklets or dittomasters intended to provide your students with interesting problems that emphasize thinking on those days when your lesson plans do not quite cover the class period — days when there is not enough time for another lesson or for the students to get a good start on their homework assignment but there's too much time to waste. The three books or dittomasters are non-graded and are of secondary level complexity.

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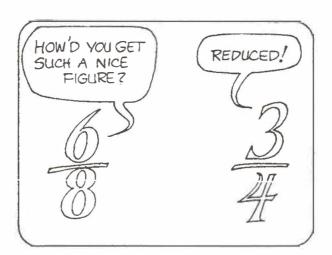
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