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| B) 55 | _____ | G) 36 | _____ |
| C) 22 | _____ | H) 94 | _____ |
| D) 49 | _____ | I) 70 | _____ |
| E) 81 | _____ | J) 68 | _____ |

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Example: $1/2$ one-half

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Example: $10/22$ ten twenty-seconds $33/75$ thirty-three seventy-fifths

Note that an *s* is added to the denominator when the numerator is more than one.

Part II. Write the fractions as words using hyphens.

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|-----------|-------|------------|-------|
| A) $1/3$ | _____ | F) $2/9$ | _____ |
| B) $1/8$ | _____ | G) $8/12$ | _____ |
| C) $1/15$ | _____ | H) $12/23$ | _____ |
| D) $3/4$ | _____ | I) $48/87$ | _____ |
| E) $5/6$ | _____ | J) $30/72$ | _____ |

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| B) 55 | <u>fifty-five</u> | G) 36 | <u>thirty-six</u> |
| C) 22 | <u>twenty-two</u> | H) 94 | <u>ninety-four</u> |
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| B) $1/8$ | <u>one-eighth</u> | G) $8/12$ | <u>eight-twelfths</u> |
| C) $1/15$ | <u>one-fifteenth</u> | H) $12/23$ | <u>twelve twenty-thirds</u> |
| D) $3/4$ | <u>three-fourths</u> | I) $48/87$ | <u>forty-eight eighty-sevenths</u> |
| E) $5/6$ | <u>five-sixths</u> | J) $30/72$ | <u>thirty seventy-seconds</u> |