

Divisibility Translated

$$12 \div 3 = 4$$

Example

12 is divisible by 3
3 is a divisor of 12
12 is a multiple of 3
3 is a factor of 12
3 divides 12

General Statement

a is divisible by b
 b is a divisor of a
 a is a multiple of b
 b is a factor of a
 b divides a

Mathematical Notation

Each statement above is written as $3 \mid 12$ or $b \mid a$

If $b \mid a$, then b is a factor or divisor of a and a is a multiple of b