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Adding and Subtracting Mixed Numbers with Like Denominators Word Problems (4.NF.3.c)

Directions: Solve the following word problem. Show your work.

A local ice cream parlor goes through 3 1/4 gal of cherry ice cream, 15 2/4 gal of vanilla ice cream, and 12 3/4 gal of chocolate ice cream a week. How much ice cream do they go through in a week? Explain your answer.

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Answer:

Add the whole numbers together. 3 + 15 + 12 = 30 Then add the fractions.

1/4 + 2/4 + 3/4 = 6/4 = 1 2/4 Now add 30 + 1 2/4. The sum is 31 2/4. The ice cream parlor sells 31 2/4 gal of ice cream each week.