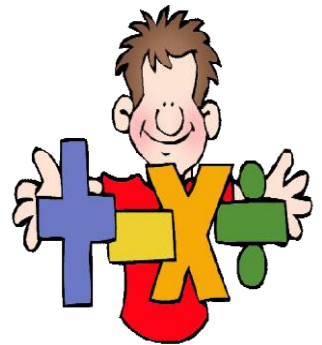
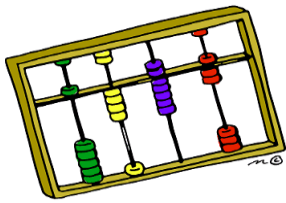


Ursula Taylor C of E School



Calculation Policy

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Mathematics Calculation Policy

Introduction and Aims

This booklet has been produced in line with the programmes of study taken from the revised National Curriculum for Mathematics 2014.

Children, where appropriate, will use mental methods as their first port of call, however for calculations that they cannot do in their heads, they will need to use an efficient written method accurately and with confidence. This booklet outlines how to tackle and record mathematical calculations in all four operations (+ - \times \div) in addition to our approach when working with fractions.

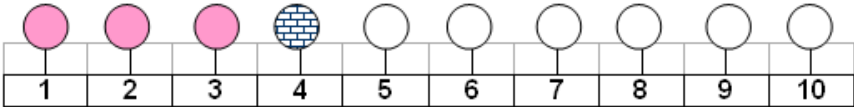
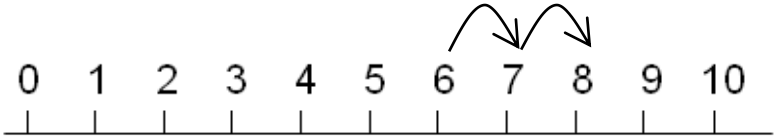
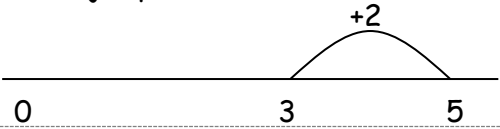
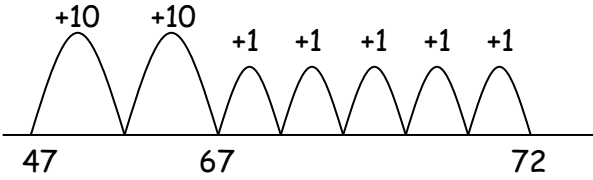
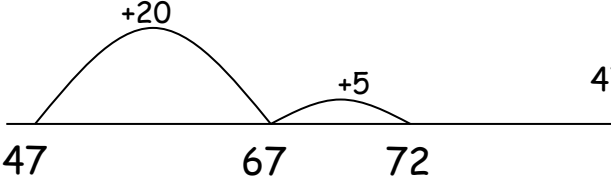
The methods are not set with age related expectations; rather it is a guide to the progression of approaches and methods that the children will be introduced to in school from Early Years through to Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 6).

It is hoped that this booklet will allow transparency and the creation of a reliable, efficient and consistent approach to calculations at Ursula Taylor C of E School.



Addition



<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practical counting of objects in a group		Vocabulary + add addition plus and more altogether total equals balance sum much increase same as make equals inverse near double
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognition of numerals		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Match numerals to groups of objects		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Counting two groups of objects to find a total		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record these groups in preferred way		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read and understand a number sentence using standard symbols		<div>Regular number bond practice and recall of facts</div> <div>Make estimates for calculations</div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write a number sentence to match two groups of objects		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Begin to understand that addition can be done in any order $3 + 2 = 2 + 3$ $a + b = b + a$		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use numbered number line to do practical jumps (e.g. three and one more) 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Record addition jumps on a simple number line (e.g. $6+2$) 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visual aid of a 100 square for adding tens and ones		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use the same method but increase numbers beyond 10. (The above steps may need to be repeated as larger numbers are introduced)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use empty number line to jump on and record the horizontal number sentence to go with it. 	$3 + 2 = 5$	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase to two two-digit numbers or three-digit numbers, using partitioning skills. Extend to adding three numbers together in this way. 	$47 + 25 = 72$	
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- When the previous methods are secure children may wish to record in one of the ways below as opposed to the number line.

Partitioning (both numbers)

$$\begin{aligned} 36 + 45 &= 30 + 40 + 6 + 5 \\ &= 70 + 11 \\ &= 81 \end{aligned}$$

Partition (one number)

$$\begin{aligned} 36 + 45 &= 36 + 40 + 5 \\ &= 76 + 5 \\ &= 81 \end{aligned}$$

Rounding and adjusting:

$$\begin{aligned} 36 + 45 &= 36 + 50 - 5 \\ &= 86 - 5 \\ &= 81 \end{aligned}$$

- Vertical column addition - adding the most significant digits first.

$$\begin{array}{r} 427 \\ + 328 \\ \hline 700 \\ 40 \\ 15 \\ \hline 755 \end{array}$$

Understanding that addition is commutative means that the hundreds do not have to be added first, any order of adding will give the same total. It is possible to add with the least significant digits first.

$$\begin{array}{r} 427 \\ + 328 \\ \hline 15 \\ 40 \\ 700 \\ \hline 755 \end{array}$$

- This makes it possible to record the vertical method more quickly by making a note of multiples of 10 or 100 rather than writing it all out.

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ + 26 \\ \hline 14 \\ 80 \\ \hline 94 \end{array}$$

becomes

$$\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ + 26 \\ \hline 94 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

(This method would **not normally be used before Year 5**, and even then there is **no hurry** to move to this.)

Pupils can then use either the expanded or compact method with larger numbers or decimals.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3968 \\ + 5493 \\ \hline 8000 \\ 1300 \\ 150 \\ 11 \\ \hline 9461 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 53.2 \\ + 4.9 \\ \hline 58.1 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 28.53 \\ + 9.7 \\ + 5.32 \\ \hline 43.55 \\ 21 \end{array}$$

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Make estimates for calculations

Regular number bond practice and recall of facts



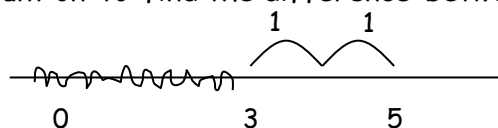
Subtraction

- Practical situations and discussion some recording of numbers
- Practical counting of objects in a group
- Say the number that is one less than another
- Recognition of numerals and match numerals to groups of objects
- Count a group of objects, take some away and count again
- Record this process in preferred way
- Read and understand a number sentence using standard symbols
- Write a number sentence to match a group of objects with some removed
- Create own number sentence
- Reinforce that subtracting means you are trying to find the difference between the numbers
- Use a hundred square/number line to find the difference between two numbers.
- Write related horizontal number sentence

- Use a numbered number line to do practical jumps.

$$5 - 3 = ?$$

We count on from 3
up to 5 to find the
difference

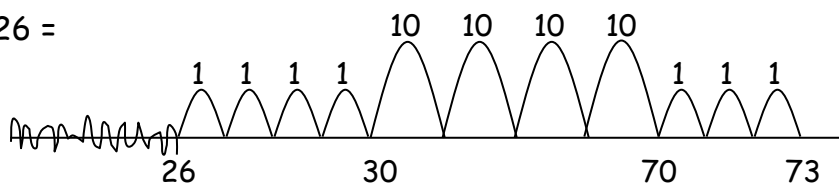


$$\text{So } 5 - 3 = 2$$

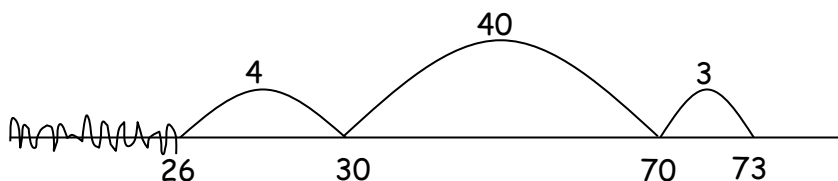
- Reinforce inverse operations and checking of calculations
- Move on to using higher numbers and partitioning.

Write related horizontal number sentence.

$$73 - 26 =$$



Or,



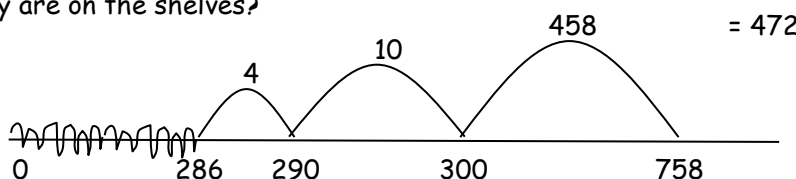
$$\text{So } 73 - 26 = 47$$

Either counting forwards or backwards

- This method is extended to larger numbers

$$758 - 286 =$$

The library owns 758 books. 286 of them are out on loan.
How many are on the shelves?



$$= 472$$

$$\text{So } 758 - 286 = 472$$

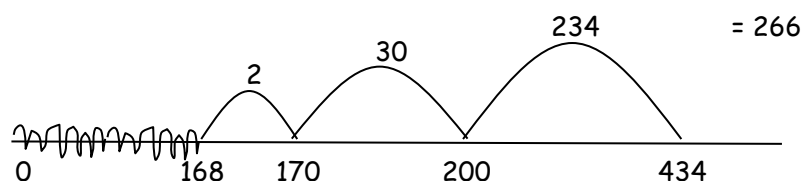
Vocabulary

-
subtract
less than
minus
difference
decrease
between
take away
count on
leave
left over
gone
fewer
half
halve
equals
inverse

Regular number bond practice and recall (with associated facts)

Make estimates for calculations

The number line method may be developed into a vertical method by finding what to add to make the next multiple of 1, 10, 100 etc.



$$\text{So } 434 - 168 = 266$$

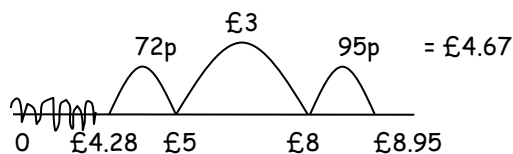
Initially the number line and the vertical method will be recorded side by side.

$$\begin{array}{r} 434 \\ - 168 \\ \hline 2 \text{ (170)} \\ 30 \text{ (200)} \\ 234 \text{ (434)} \\ \hline 266 \end{array}$$

Other examples

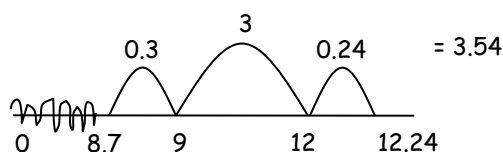
Money

Toby wants to buy a CD costing £8.95, he has already saved up £4.28 towards the cost. How much more money does he need to buy the CD?



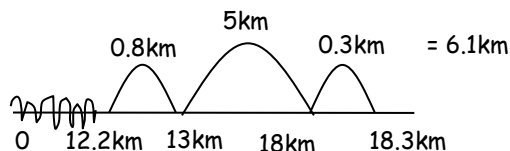
Decimals

At sports day one year, Helen completed her race in 12.24 seconds. Her older brother ran the race 8.7 seconds faster than she did. What was his time?



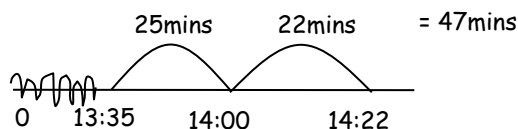
Distance

The distance from Riseley to Bedford is 12.2km and Riseley to Ampthill is 18.3km. How far is it from Bedford to Ampthill?



Time

James arrived at the train station at 13:35 and his train left at 14:22. How long did he wait at the station for?



Make estimates for calculations

Regular number bond practice and recall (with associated facts)

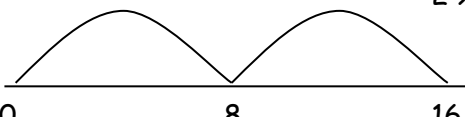
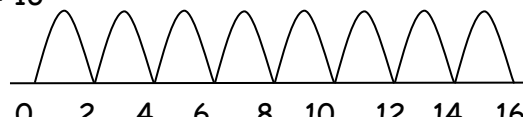
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- Apply methods learnt and use confidently in a range of situations



Multiplication



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calculations

Regular number times table practice and recall (with associated facts)

Make estimates for

The grid method can then be used for 2-digit by 2-digit multiplication.

$$66 \times 34 =$$

X	60	6	or	X	60	6	
30	1800	180		30	1800	180	= 1980
4	240	24		4	240	24	= 264
	= 2040	= 204	= 2244				= 2244

This is extended to larger numbers

$$2035 \times 17$$

X	2000	30	5	
10	20000	300	50	
7	14000	210	35	
	= 34000	= 510	= 85	= 34595

For multiplication with decimals equivalent calculations can be used

$$3.4 \times 0.68 \text{ (consider } 34 \times 68 \text{ as a similar calculation)}$$

Adjust numbers involved by multiples of 10 or 100 to create an integer sum

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 3.4 & \times & 0.68 = 2.312 \\
 \downarrow \times 10 & & \downarrow \times 100 \quad \uparrow \div 1000 \\
 34 & \times & 68 = 2313
 \end{array}$$

X	60	8	
30	1800	240	
4	240	32	
	= 2040	= 272	= 2312

Pupils who have firmly grasped the above methods in understanding may be able to move on to the potentially quicker method (dubbed 'the formal' method by the Department for Education) shown below:

$$66 \times 34 =$$

From this:

X	60	6	
30	1800	180	= 1980
4	240	24	= 264
			= 2244

To this:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 66 \\
 \times 34 \\
 \hline
 1980 \\
 264 \\
 \hline
 2244
 \end{array}$$

To begin with, the grid may be set out side by side with this method to demonstrate that they are linked.

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- Work towards instant recall of 2, 5, 10, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 times tables (usually in that order)

Make estimates for calculations

Regular times table practice (with associated division facts)



Division



- Sharing objects into equal groups

- Repeated subtraction/addition

- Discussion and practical activities

- Drawing objects and splitting into groups

- Match numerals to groups

- Write a horizontal sentence along with drawings of groups of objects

- Use \div sign to indicate sharing/grouping

- Draw arrays (arrangements of dots/marks)

- Write related horizontal calculations.

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$$16 \div 8 = 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 8 = 16 \\ 8 \times 2 = 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

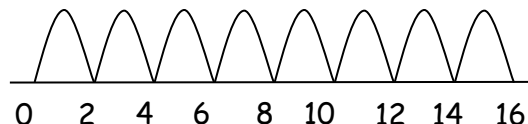
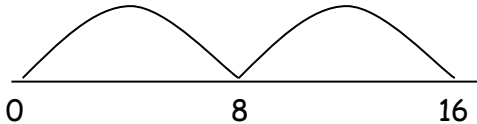
$$16 \div 2 = 8$$

- Regular times table practice begins.

- Make the connection with the inverse and matching multiplication facts.

- Use a number line to jump forward in groups from 0 to the number being divided into and record the horizontal number sentence to go with it (without remainders)

$$16 \div 2 = 8$$



(I start at zero and count in 8s until I get to 16) (I start at zero and count in 2's until I get to 16)

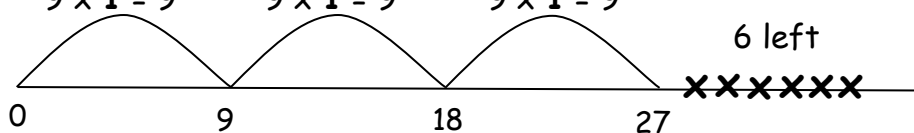
Use a number line to jump forward in groups from 0 to the number being divided into and record the horizontal number sentence to go with it.

(with remainders)

$$33 \div 9$$

$$\text{So } 33 \div 9 = 3$$

$$= 9 \times 1 = 9 \quad 9 \times 1 = 9 \quad 9 \times 1 = 9$$



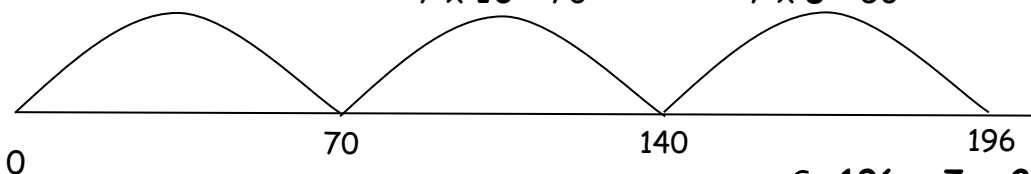
This method can also be used with larger numbers

$$196 \div 7 =$$

$$7 \times 10 = 70$$

$$7 \times 10 = 70$$

$$7 \times 8 = 56$$



$$\text{So } 196 \div 7 = 28$$

Vocabulary

divide
divided by
divided into
how many
each
share
left
left over
group
equally
goes into
remainder
divisible
factor
quotient
inverse

Regular times table practice and recall (with associated facts)

Make estimates for calculations

Place value understanding is needed to count **on** in multiples of the divisor.

For many pupils, the addition of an 'I Know' box can be very beneficial

I Know

$6 \times 10 = 60$

$6 \times 20 = 120$

$6 \times 30 = 180$

$6 \times 40 = 240$

$6 \times 50 = 300$

(too many)

so I will use

6×40

$259 \div 6 =$

$6 \times 40 = 240$ $6 \times 3 = 18$

so $259 \div 6 = 43 \text{ r } 1$

A tabular way of recording multiples of the divisor can be used

$874 \div 7$

$7 \times$	Running Total
$\times 100 = 700$	700
$\times 20 = 140$	840
$\times 4 = 28$	868
$\times 124$	$+ 6 = 874$

I Know	
$7 \times 1 = 7$	so $7 \times 10 = 70$
$7 \times 2 = 14$	so $7 \times 20 = 140$
$7 \times 3 = 21$	so $7 \times 30 = 210$
$7 \times 4 = 28$	so $7 \times 40 = 280$

So $874 \div 7 = 124 \text{ r } 4$

The remainder can be written as a fraction (simplifying fractions where possible and then using equivalent decimals)

$$674 \div 6 = 112 \text{ r } 2 = 112 \frac{2}{6} = 112 \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3786 \div 4 = 946 \text{ r } 2 = 946 \frac{2}{4} = 946 \frac{1}{2} = 946.5$$

Following changes to the national curriculum in 2015, pupils are now expected to use 'the formal methods' of division in *some* parts of their Key Stage 2 tests. These formal methods are more commonly known as 'the bus stop methods'. Pupils may be moved on to these if they have shown a level of competence and rooted understanding in the division methods shown above:

$184 \div 8 =$

$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ 8 \overline{) 184} \\ \underline{- 16} \\ 24 \\ \underline{- 24} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

or later:

$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ 8 \overline{) 184} \end{array}$$

Make estimates for calculations

Regular times table practice (with associated division facts)

Another example of a more difficult calculation using this method would be:

$$2331 \div 37 =$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 63 \\ 37 \overline{) 2331} \\ - 222 \\ \hline 111 \\ - 111 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

Start with $233 \div 37$, since 37 does not go into 2 or 23.

The nearest multiple of 37 to 233 is: $37 \times 6 = \underline{222}$

The remainder is: $233 - 222 = 11$

Now, $111 \div 37 = 3$

Therefore $2331 \div 37 = 63$

This algorithmic method does nothing to advance pupils' *understanding* of division or place value. It should, therefore, only be used as a time-saving mechanism once the child's understanding of the other methods in this booklet is undoubtedly strong. This will happen at different times for different children.

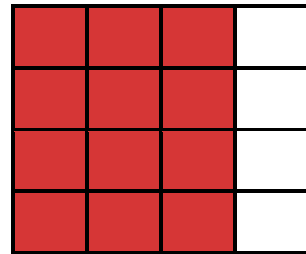
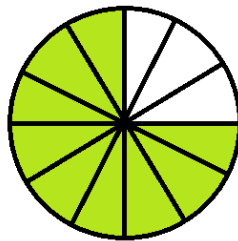
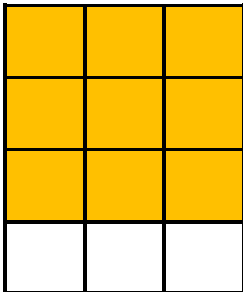
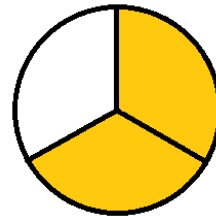
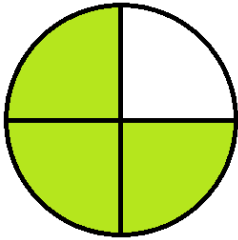
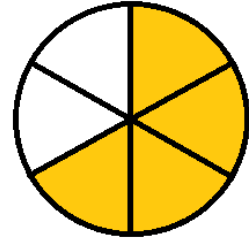
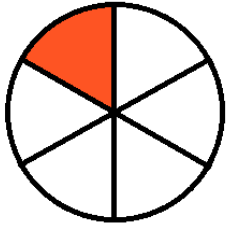
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Fractions

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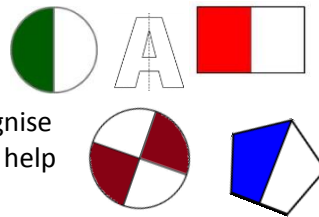
Fractions

Pictures and written fractions

Here are four different ways of expressing/explaining a fraction

- $\frac{1}{2}$: 1 out of 2
 $\frac{1}{2}$: 1 divided by 2
 $\frac{1}{2}$: 1 over 2
 $\frac{1}{2}$: One half

It is important that students recognise these different representations to help them solve problems.



Numerator and Denominator

Numerator

Number of pieces we are talking about

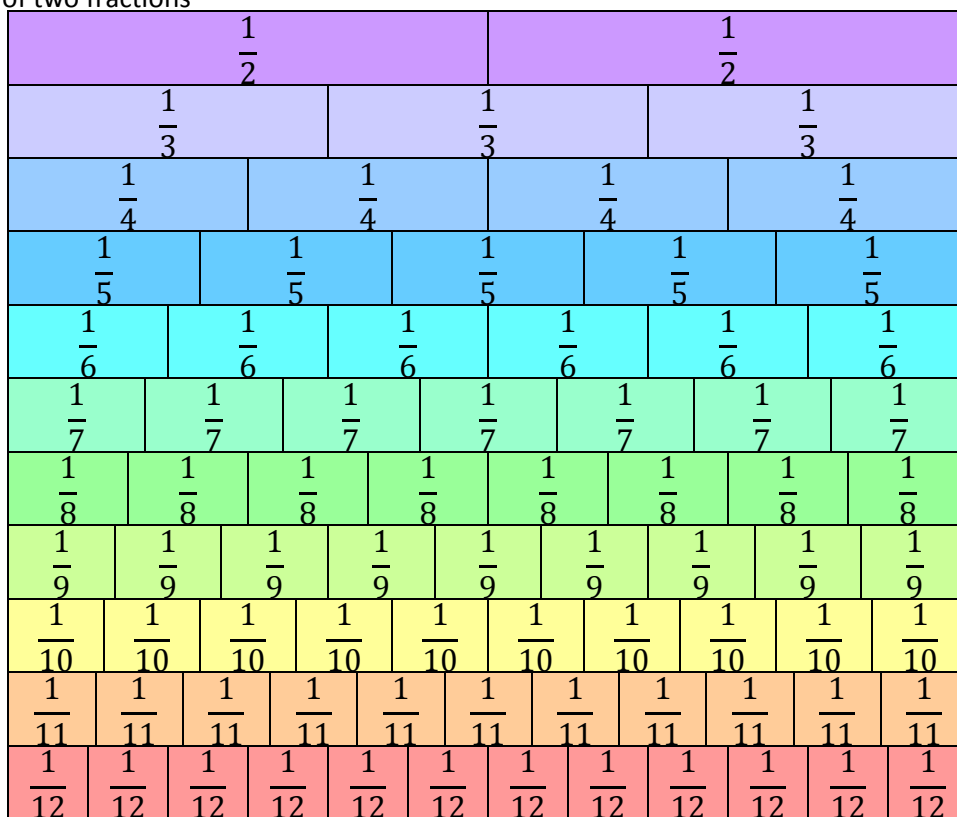
$\frac{N}{D}$

Denominator

The Divisor: Number of equal pieces the amount is being divided into

Fraction Wall to show equivalence

A fraction wall is often shown to help students understand equivalent fractions and to compare the size of two fractions



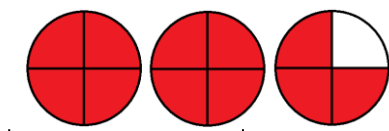
Be prepared to be flexible about fraction, decimal fraction and percentage equivalence.

Mixed numbers/top heavy/improper/Proper

$\frac{3}{4}$ Is a proper fraction because the numerator is smaller than the denominator

$\frac{11}{4}$ Is an improper fraction because the numerator is bigger than the denominator

Sometimes we call this a top-heavy fraction



2 Wholes

or

8 quarters

3 quarters

3 quarters

$2\frac{3}{4}$ This is a mixed number with a whole number and a fraction

$\frac{11}{4}$ This is an improper/Top Heavy Fraction

Vocabulary

Proper

Improper

Top Heavy

Mixed

Numerator

Denominator

Equivalent

Common Denominator

Simplify

Integer

Whole Number

Factors

Multiples

Simplify Fully

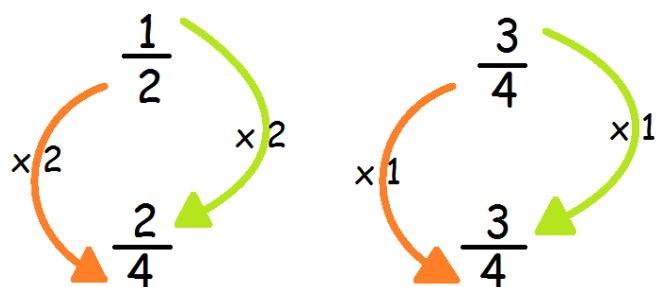
Cancelling

Divide

Regular times table practice (with associated division facts)

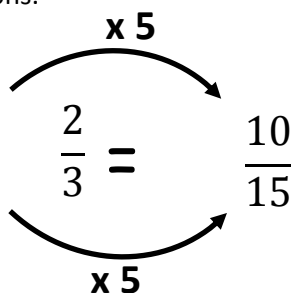
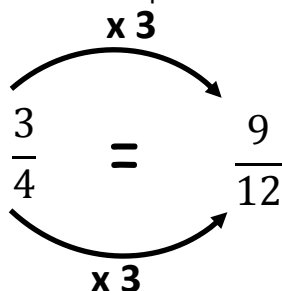
Finding Equivalent Fractions

It is difficult to compare fractions unless they are alike and have a common denominator. This is a common multiple of all the denominators and is often the lowest common multiple (LCM).

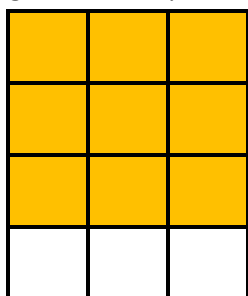


When all fractions have a common denominator, numerators can be easily compared.

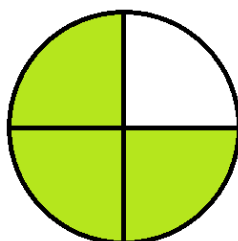
The same amount can be represented by different fractions.



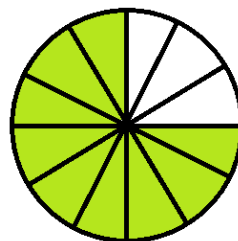
Using diagrammatic representation and splitting into different sized pieces.



9 out of 12 parts are shaded
or you could say
3 out of 4 rows are shaded



$\frac{3}{4}$

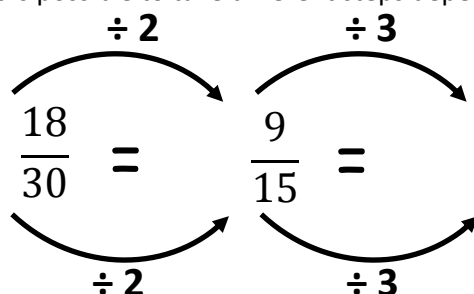


$\frac{9}{12}$

Pictures are used to reinforce proportionality. The same amount of the circle is shaded – but we can represent this with different fractions.

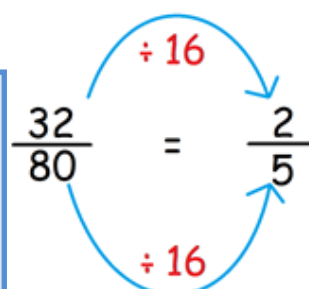
Simplifying (inverse of equivalence)

Fractions can be simplified by looking for common factors and dividing by these numbers. It is possible to take different steps depending on which numbers we chose to divide with.



← No more common factors for 3 and 5 so we cannot simplify any further

This example has been simplified in one step → because the largest common factor of 32 and 80 was found to divide by (16 is a factor of both). The number of steps does not matter – it only speeds up the simplifying process.



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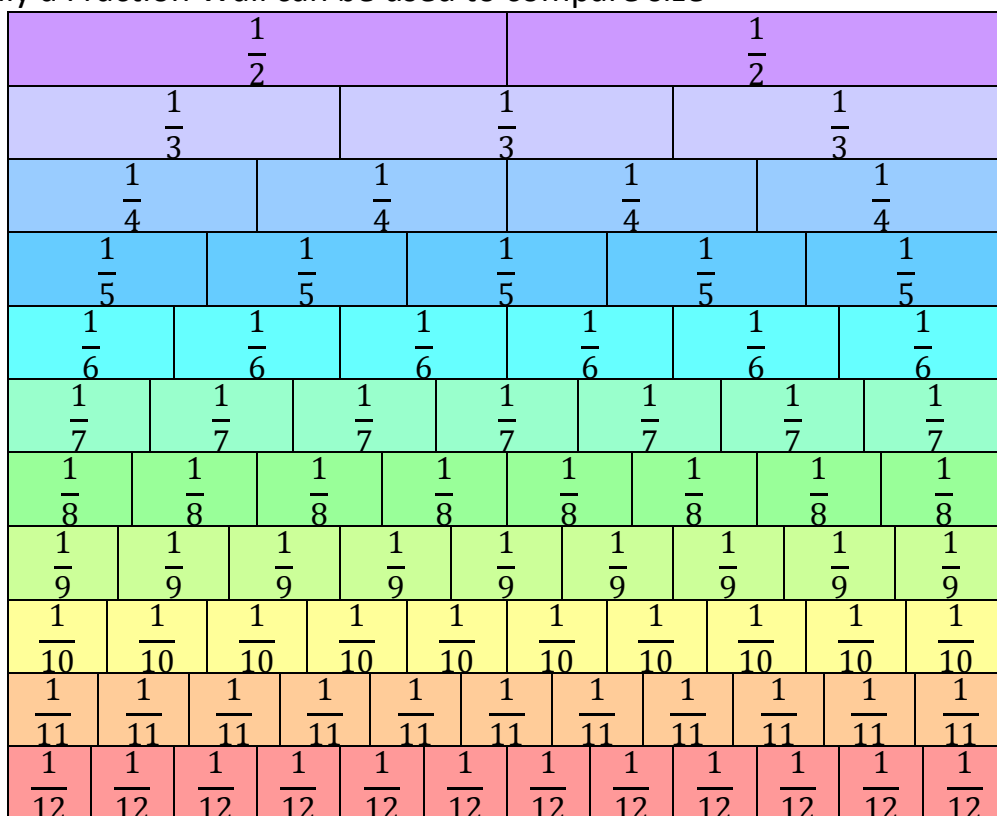
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Ordering / Comparison

Initially a Fraction Wall can be used to compare size

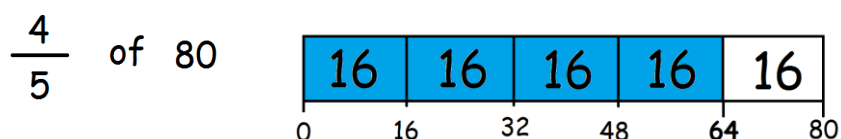


Then equivalent fractions can be found to compare directly

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{7}{16} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \frac{8}{16} & \frac{12}{16} & \frac{6}{16} & \frac{7}{16} \end{array}$$

It is then much easier to compare the fractions as they all have the same denominator.

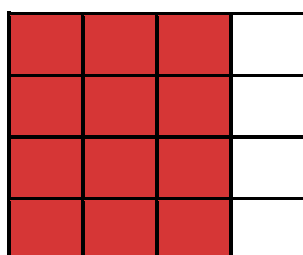
Fractions of an amount



$$\frac{1}{5} \text{ of } 80 = 80 \div 5 = 16$$

$$\text{so } \frac{4}{5} \text{ of } 80 = 4 \times 16 = \boxed{}$$

$\frac{3}{4}$ of 16



Shade in
3 out of every 4
boxes
 $\frac{3}{4}$ of 16 is 12

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Adding Fractions

1) Diagrams with common denominators

$$\frac{1}{5}$$

+

$$\frac{3}{5}$$

=

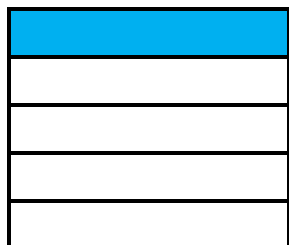
$$\frac{4}{5}$$

1 fifth

+

3 fifths

= 4 fifths



2) Diagrams to show conversion to equivalent fractions with common denominators

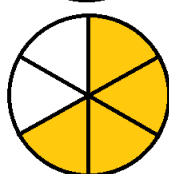
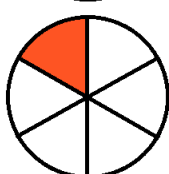
$$\frac{1}{6}$$

+

$$\frac{2}{3}$$

Is the same as

$$\frac{1}{6}$$



$$\frac{4}{6}$$

Then ...

$$\frac{1}{6}$$

+

$$\frac{4}{6}$$

=

$$\frac{5}{6}$$

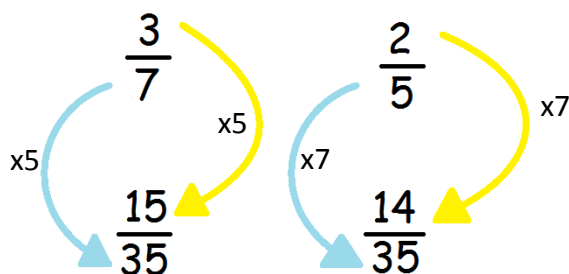
3) Finding common denominators

$$\frac{3}{7}$$

+

$$\frac{2}{5}$$

Equivalent fractions with a common denominator can be found in order to be able to add the fractions together.



This calculation becomes ...

$$\frac{14}{35}$$

+

$$\frac{15}{35}$$

=

$$\frac{29}{35}$$

If the answer is an improper fraction then it should be simplified as a mixed number.

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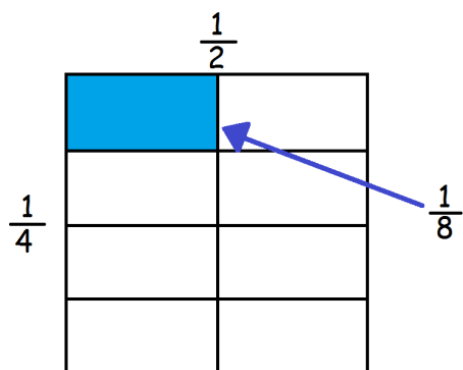
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Multiplying Fractions

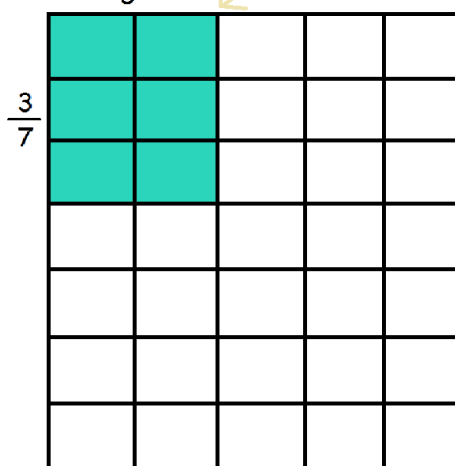
With diagrams

$$\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

"a quarter of a half"



$$\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{6}{35}$$



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Without diagrams

$$\frac{2}{15} \times \frac{3}{8} = \frac{2 \times 3}{15 \times 8} = \frac{6}{120} = \frac{3}{60} = \frac{1}{20}$$


$$\frac{2}{15} \times \frac{3}{8} = \frac{2 \times 3}{15 \times 8}$$

Factors of the denominators:
 $3 \times 5 = 15$ $2 \times 4 = 8$

$$= \frac{\cancel{2}^1 \times \cancel{3}^1}{\cancel{3}_1 \times 5 \times \cancel{2}_1 \times 4} = \frac{1}{5 \times 4} = \frac{1}{20}$$

Cancelling factors where possible before calculating.

With mixed numbers

Remember ... $2 \frac{2}{5} =$  $= \frac{12}{5}$

$$2 \frac{2}{5} \times 3 \frac{4}{7} = \frac{12}{5} \times \frac{25}{7}$$

Convert first to avoid $2 \times 3 + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{7}$ only

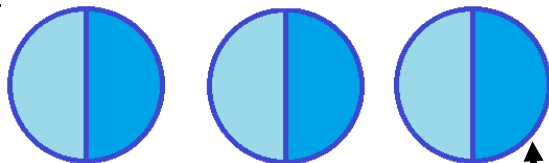
$$= \frac{3 \times 4 \times \cancel{5} \times 5}{\cancel{5} \times 7} = \frac{12 \times 5}{7} = \frac{60}{7} = 8 \frac{4}{7}$$

cancel

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Dividing Fractions

$$3 \div \frac{1}{2}$$



How many $\frac{1}{2}$'s in 3?

1. How many $\frac{1}{2}$'s are in 1? **There are 2**

2. How many $\frac{1}{2}$'s are in 3? **There are 6**

Use
diagrams
to help

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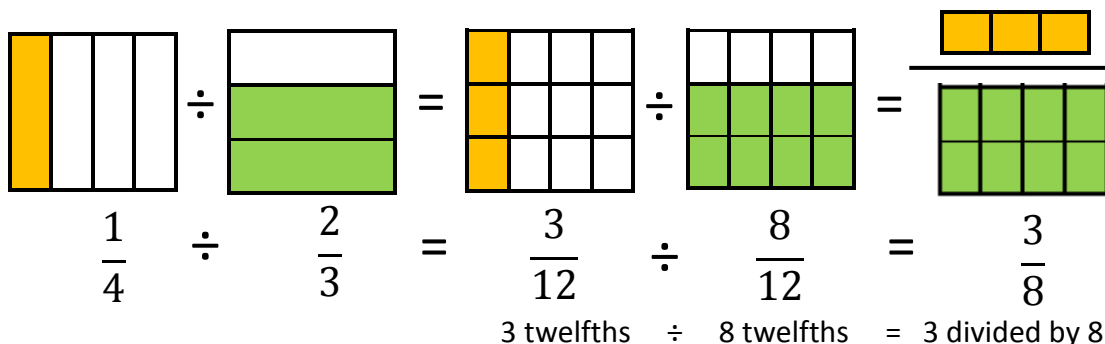
$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{8}$$

How many $\frac{1}{8}$'s in $\frac{1}{2}$?

How many $\frac{1}{8}$'s are in 1 whole? **There are 8**

So how many $\frac{1}{8}$'s are there in $\frac{1}{2}$? **There are 4**

Dividing Using Common Denominators



Dividing Using The Multiplicative Inverse

Multiplying by $\frac{1}{2}$ is the same as dividing by 2

Dividing by $\frac{1}{3}$ is the same as multiplying by 3

$$\frac{2}{3} \div 4 = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \left(\text{Dividing by 4 is the same as multiplying by a quarter} \right)$$

These are reciprocal/inverse/opposite relationships

$$\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{2} = \frac{3 \times 5}{4 \times 2} = \frac{15}{8} = 1 \frac{7}{8}$$

opposite/inverse

reciprocal/inverse