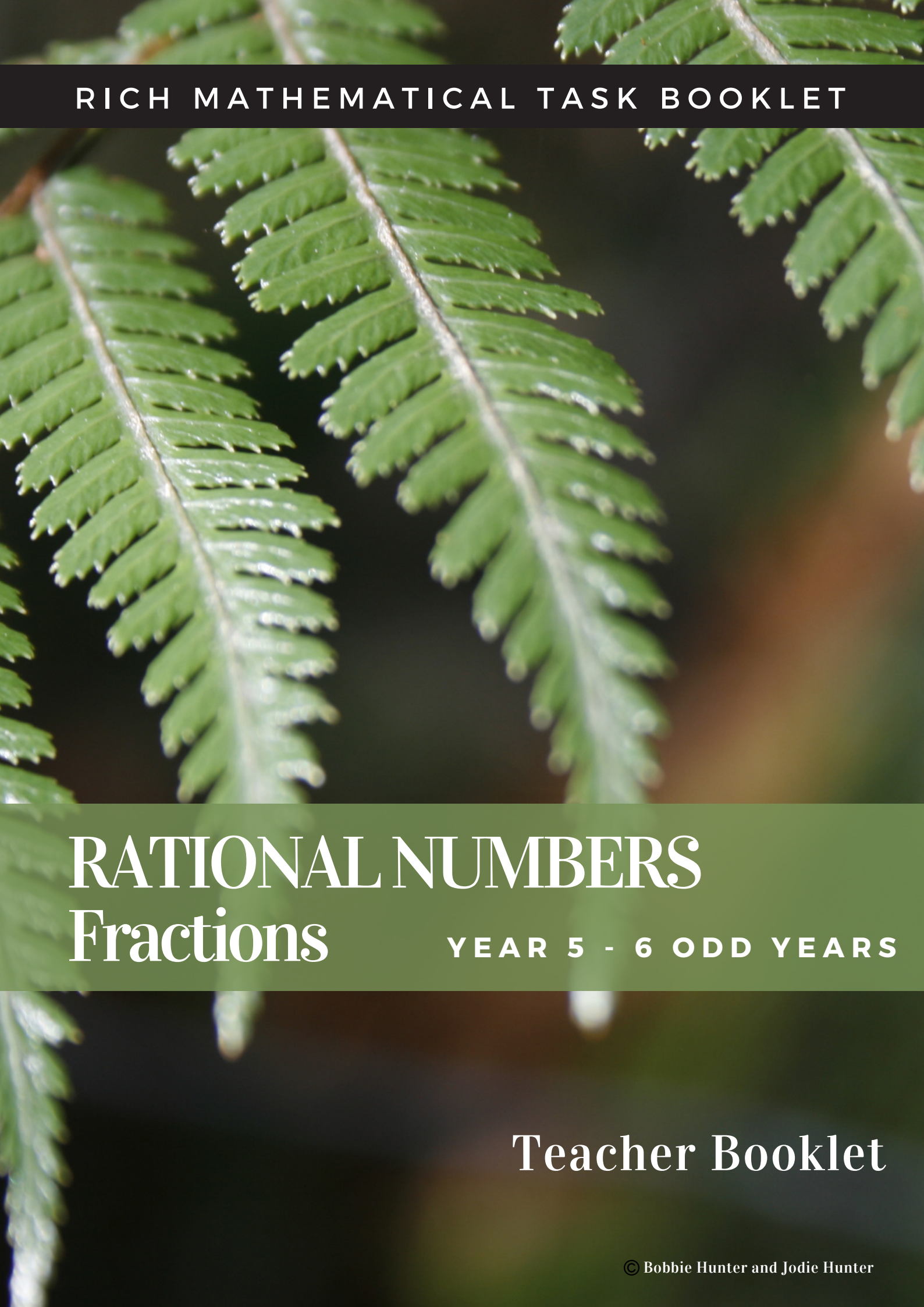


A close-up photograph of several green fern fronds, showing the intricate, feathery structure of the leaves. The fronds are vibrant green and appear slightly wet, with some water droplets visible. The background is dark and out of focus, making the ferns stand out.

RICH MATHEMATICAL TASK BOOKLET

RATIONAL NUMBERS

Fractions

YEAR 5 - 6 ODD YEARS

Teacher Booklet

Task 1

Use the fraction tiles to make one whole in different ways.

Record your responses.

[Complete first part of the connect below after this part of the lesson].

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are more than one whole but less than one and a half. Record your responses.

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are more than one whole but less than one and a half. Record your responses.

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are less than three quarters but more than one tenth. Record your responses.

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are less than two thirds but more than one eighth. Record your responses.

Teacher Notes

Before the launch have the students explore and talk together about the fraction pieces for a whole, halves, quarters, eighths, thirds, sixths, twelfths. Work through each task and discuss before moving to the next task.

Have fraction tiles available for the task.

Monitor for students using the words fractional numbers (not pieces or bits) and greater than, less than, the same as.

Notice students who make generalisations (e.g., the smaller the denominator the bigger the fraction when the numerator is one). Record these as class conjectures and have students explore and prove at a later date as a warm-up activity.

Expect students to represent materials and use appropriate notation and the equal sign ($\frac{2}{2} = 1$).

For the independent task, you will need fraction tile sets available for students who would like to use them.

Shareback

Select students to share who made combinations of the whole or other fractions using the same size pieces (halves, quarters, sixths, eighths) and recorded the combinations as numbers, equations, or words. Then, select students to share who made combinations of the whole using the unlike fraction pieces (e.g., $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1$) and recorded the combinations as numbers, equations or words.

Big Ideas

Numbers can be described in many different ways including as fractions.

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Connect

What do you notice about fractions that are less than one whole?
What do you notice about fractions that are more than one whole?

What is $\frac{6}{4}$ the same as?

What is $\frac{75}{50}$ the same as?

What is $\frac{1500}{1000}$ the same as?

What patterns and relationships do you notice?

What other fractions are the same as one whole and a half?

[Encourage students to record using equals sign $\frac{6}{4} = \frac{75}{50} = \frac{1500}{1000}$]

What is a rule for fractions that equal one whole and a half?

[Record conjectures and symbolise as $\frac{n + (n \div 2)}{n}$]

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Combine and recombine different units of fractions to make one whole.

Identify and recognise equivalent fractions.

Recognise and use improper fractions to represent more than one whole.

Independent Tasks

What other fractions are the same as one whole?

Record these using at least three different representations (number line, drawings, equations).

What other fractions are the same as one half?

Record these using at least three different representations (number line, drawings, equations).

What other fractions are the same as one fifth?

Record these using at least three different representations (number line, drawings, equations).

What other fractions are the same as one third?

Record these using at least three different representations (number line, drawings, equations).

What other fractions are the same as two eighths?

Record these using at least three different representations (number line, drawings, equations).

Curriculum Links

During Year Five

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- identify when two fractions are equivalent

Add and subtract fractions with the same denominators, including to make more than one whole

During Year Six

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Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, quarters, fourths, thirds, sixths, tenths, twelfths, eighths, fraction, fractional number, whole number, equal, equivalent, greater than, less than.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 2

Tiani and her friends are pretending to be in a quiz show where they have to say either true or false to each statement.

Tiani says that there are more than 15 numbers between 1 and 2. Her friends say that that statement is false, but they are wrong.

Can you prove that there are more than 15 numbers between 1 and 2. Use a number-line to show where your numbers would be.

Teacher Notes

Before you launch the task, provide students with fraction tiles and ask them to complete the following tasks:

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are the same as six eighths.

Use the fraction tiles to make different fractional numbers that are more than seven eighths and less than one and a quarter.

Have large sheets of paper and pens for the students to draw their number-lines.

When you launch the task, facilitate students to note that they should be writing fractions for this task rather than decimals.

Facilitate the students to notice that earlier in the year, the number lines they have used only contained whole numbers (numbers that resulted from counting). The fractions they are talking about now (numbers resulting from equal splitting or partitioning) can be represented on the number line. This shows that fractions may also be thought of as numbers. In the connection refer to the fractions (e.g., $3\frac{1}{2}$ as a mixed number.

Monitor for students using vocabulary which emphasises dividing or splitting equally of portioning into equal parts.

Notice students who find the concept of fractions as numbers between numbers counter intuitive. Allow them to struggle and construct reasoning through mathematical talk and using agreeing mathematically and disagreeing mathematically (e.g., I agree because...).

For the independent task, provide the students with the fraction tiles.

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Each fraction can be associated with a unique point on a number line.

There is no least or greatest fraction on the number line.

There are an infinite number of fractions between any two fractions on the number line

Shareback

Select students to share who can visualise and draw a number-line and mark the positions of fractions between 1 and 2 by partitioning the number-line.

Connect

What mixed numbers are there between 9 and 10?

Mark each one on a number-line to show where they would be.

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Record fractions on a number-line.

Recognise there are an infinite number of fractions between any two whole numbers or any two fractions on a number line.

Independent Tasks

Use the fraction tiles to explore the following questions:

Is $\frac{6}{10}$ of a piece of ribbon the same as $\frac{3}{5}$ of a piece of ribbon?
Why or why not?

Is $\frac{4}{6}$ of a piece of ribbon the same as $\frac{3}{5}$ of a piece of ribbon?
Why or why not?

Is $\frac{1}{4}$ of a piece of ribbon the same as $\frac{2}{8}$ or $\frac{4}{16}$ or $\frac{5}{20}$ of a piece of ribbon?
Why or why not?

Is $\frac{7}{8}$ of a piece of ribbon bigger than $\frac{5}{6}$ of a piece of ribbon?
Why or why not?

Is 1 piece of ribbon bigger than $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{2}$ of a piece of ribbon?
Why or why not?

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Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 3

Who eats more? Who eats less?

1. Eight children sharing 9 doughnuts equally.
2. Five children sharing 7 doughnuts equally.
3. Four children sharing 6 doughnuts equally.
4. Six children sharing 8 doughnuts equally.
5. Three children sharing 4 doughnuts equally.
6. Ten children sharing 14 doughnuts equally.

Put them in order from smallest to largest. Be ready to explain and justify your reasoning in multiple ways.

Teacher Notes

Notice students who use multiplicative reasoning and relational reasoning as part of their explanation

(e.g., $9 \div 8 = \frac{9}{8}$ and $\frac{9}{8} = 1 \frac{1}{8}$).

Expect students to use a range of representations including drawings and notation.

Shareback

Select students to share who develop representations to justify their reasoning and either split all the doughnuts into the fractional amounts or share as a whole and fractional amount.

If the second solution is not used, then model as another way the teacher has seen used previously.

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Connect

Record the matching equations for each problem and model the first two then ask students to solve the rest.

$$9 \div 8 = \frac{9}{8} = 1 \frac{1}{8}$$

$$7 \div 5 = \frac{7}{5} = 1 \frac{2}{5}$$

$$6 \div 4 =$$

$$8 \div 6 =$$

$$4 \div 3 =$$

$$14 \div 10 =$$

What patterns and relationships do you notice that can help you solve the problems?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Divide a whole number into fractions.

Compare and use different sized fractions.

Recognise and use improper fractions to represent more than one whole.

Independent Tasks

Who drinks more? Who drinks less?

1. Six children sharing 8 cans of drink equally.
2. Ten children sharing 11 cans of drink equally.
3. Four children sharing 6 cans of drink equally.
4. Three children sharing 4 cans of drink equally.
5. Five children sharing 9 cans of drink equally.
6. Eight children sharing 10 cans of drink equally.

Put them in order and be ready to explain in multiple ways.

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Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 4

Sisilia's netball team is trying to work out which players should be the goal attack and goal shooter. They look at the results from the first practice:

For every 8 shots she took, Marieta scored three goals.

For every 4 shots he took, Jirah scored two goals.

For every 6 shots she took, Valerie scored four goals.

For every 3 shots he took, Hemi scored one goal.

For every 12 shots she took, Aroha scored seven goals.

Based on these results which players should they select for these positions? Be ready to explain and justify your reasoning in multiple ways.

Teacher Notes

For the conceptual starter activity, ask the students to put the following numbers on a number line on the board showing:

0 1 2 3 4

$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{3}{6}$ $2\frac{1}{2}$ $2\frac{3}{4}$ $3\frac{2}{5}$ $3\frac{7}{8}$

Provide students with fraction tiles as needed. These can also be used to model how to find equivalent fraction and show the relationships.

Monitor for students using vocabulary of equivalence and relational thinking. Students may notice that to compare fractions accurately the denominators need to be the same.

Expect students to represent using notation and drawings to justify equivalences.

Shareback

Select students to share who converted fractions to equivalent fractions using informal methods with representations before they compared the fractions.

If any students changed all the fractions to a common denominator than select them to share last.

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Connect

Which is bigger?

$$\frac{3}{5} \text{ or } \frac{7}{10}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \text{ or } \frac{5}{6} \text{ or } \frac{8}{12}$$

What patterns and relationships did you use to find equivalent fractions to compare them?

Can you come up with a rule to change fractions but keep them equivalent?

Introduce the concept that you can multiply the denominator by a number and as long as you also multiply the numerator by the same number it will be equivalent.

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Represent fractions.

Compare and order fractions.

Find equivalent fractions.

Independent Tasks

The soccer team all have the same sized cups. Throughout the game this is how much they drank:

Tayla drinks five quarters of a cup.

Loni drinks three halves of a cup.

Tere drinks five thirds of a cup.

Mia drinks ten eighths of a cup.

Put how much they drank in order from most to least.

Prove your solution using at least 3 different representations.

Curriculum Links

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Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 5

Georgia and her two friends want to play elastics. To do this they have to join their smaller bits of elastic together.

Georgia has $\frac{3}{4}$ of a metre of elastic.

Lily has $\frac{2}{5}$ of a metre of elastic.

Tasi has $\frac{1}{2}$ a metre of elastic.

When all the pieces are joined together how long is the elastic they make?

Teacher Notes

Facilitate the students to notice that to add fractions the denominators need to be the same.

Monitor for students using vocabulary of equivalence and relational thinking

Notice students who show relational understanding ($\frac{3}{4}$ as $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$) or who use equivalence relationships).

Expect students to represent using drawings and notation.

Shareback

Select students to share who converted fractions to equivalent fractions using informal or more formalised methods (multiplication for example) before they added the fractions.

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Every fraction/ratio can be represented by an infinite set of different but equivalent fractions/ratios.

The real-world actions for addition and subtraction of whole numbers are the same for operations with fractions and decimals.

Fractions with unlike denominators are renamed as equivalent fractions with like denominators to add and subtract.

Connect

What would be a common denominator if you were adding:

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \text{ and } \frac{1}{3}$$

Can you find a pattern for finding a common denominator?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Change fractions to equivalent fractions.

Solve problems that involve adding fractions.

Independent Tasks

Litea and her two friends are at the movies.

They each buy a big tub of popcorn.

Litea eats $\frac{5}{8}$ of her tub.

Kaia eats $\frac{2}{4}$ of his tub.

Gaylene eats $\frac{10}{12}$ of her tub.

They tip all the left-over popcorn into two tubs.

How much is left to take home?

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Mathematical Language

Whole, quarters, fourths, thirds, sixths, equal, equivalent, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

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Task 6

Jean and her friends are making some clay beads for necklaces. They have 3 packs of modelling clay.

Henry uses $\frac{2}{3}$ of a pack of modelling clay.

Tupou uses $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pack of modelling clay.

Claire uses $\frac{5}{8}$ of a pack of modelling clay.

Jean uses the rest.

How much does Jean have to make her clay beads?

Teacher Notes

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0 1 2 3 4

$3\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{5}$ $\frac{1}{8}$ $2\frac{2}{3}$ $1\frac{1}{6}$ $1\frac{4}{8}$

Facilitate the students to notice that to add fractions the denominators need to be the same.

Monitor for students using vocabulary of equivalence and relational thinking

Notice students who show relational understanding ($\frac{5}{4}$ as $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}$) or who use equivalence relationships).

Expect students to represent using drawings and notation.

Shareback

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The real-world actions for addition and subtraction of whole numbers are the same for operations with fractions and decimals.

Fractions with unlike denominators are renamed as equivalent fractions with like denominators to add and subtract.

Connect

What are the common denominators between these numbers?

$$\frac{1}{8} \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{16}$$
$$\frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{5} \quad \frac{1}{6}$$

Can you find a pattern?

What rule could you use to find common denominators?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Find equivalent fractions.

Subtract a fraction from a whole number.

Add and subtract fractions.

Generalise how to find common denominators.

Independent Tasks

Find the solutions.

Sara has $\frac{1}{6}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{12}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

Sara has $\frac{1}{5}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{10}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

Sara has $\frac{1}{6}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{4}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

Sara has $\frac{1}{3}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{7}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

Sara has $\frac{2}{3}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{9}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

Sara has $\frac{4}{6}$ of a bag of marbles. Lily has $\frac{1}{3}$ of a bag of marbles.
How much of a bag of marbles do they have altogether?

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Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, quarters, fourths, thirds, equivalent, mixed numbers, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 7

Tere's aunties are making a finely embroidered tivaevae tataura.
For each part of the frangipani Auntie Tarai uses $\frac{3}{4}$ of a ball of the red cotton.

Auntie Teremoana uses $\frac{1}{5}$ of the red cotton ball.
How much more cotton does Auntie Tarai use?

Tere's aunties are making a finely embroidered tivaevae tataura.
Auntie Tarai uses $\frac{8}{10}$ of the red cotton ball.
Auntie Teremoana uses $\frac{2}{4}$ of the red cotton ball.
How much more cotton does Auntie Tarai use?

Tere's aunties are making a finely embroidered tivaevae tataura.
Auntie Tarai uses $\frac{10}{12}$ of a red cotton ball.
Auntie Teremoana uses $\frac{6}{8}$ of the red cotton ball.
How much more cotton does Auntie Tarai use?

Teacher Notes

Have fraction strips and number-lines available.

Facilitate the students to notice that to subtract fractions they need to find a common denominator.

Monitor for students using vocabulary of equivalence and relational thinking.

Shareback

Select students to share who converted fractions to equivalent fractions using informal or more formalised methods (multiplication for example) before they subtracted the fractions.

Big Ideas

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Numerical expressions can be named in an infinite number of different but equivalent ways (e.g. $\frac{4}{6} \div \frac{2}{8} = \frac{2}{3} \div \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$; also $26 \times 4 = (20 + 6) \times 4$).

Connect

What is the difference between:

$$\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{4}{6}$$

$$\frac{4}{6} \text{ and } \frac{10}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{8} \text{ and } \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{7} \text{ and } \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \text{ and } \frac{1}{6}$$

What patterns did you use to solve these in your mind?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Find equivalent fractions.

Subtract a fraction from a fraction.

Generalise how to find common denominators.

Independent Tasks

$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} =$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} =$$

$$\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{2} =$$

$$? - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$? - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{9}{10} - ? = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{5}{8} - ? = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{6}{9} = \frac{1}{2} + ?$$

$$\frac{3}{5} = ? + \frac{1}{10}$$

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During Year Six

For fractions with denominators of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, or 100:

- compare and order the fractions
- identify when two fractions are equivalent
- represent the fractions in their simplest form

Add and subtract fractions with the same or related denominators

Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, thirds, sixths, eighths, tenths, equal, equivalent, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 8

Alani and Erihapeti are helping their Mum make palusami (a corned beef, taro root leaves and coconut dish) for dinner.

Each portion will feed four people.

For each portion of palusami they use:

$\frac{1}{2}$ of a can of corned beef

$\frac{7}{8}$ of a bag of fresh spinach

$\frac{2}{3}$ of a small onion

$\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon of salt

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup of water

$\frac{4}{5}$ of a can of coconut cream

There are 12 people having dinner altogether.

How much of each ingredient will they need?

Teacher Notes

During the launch, establish the context of the problem. Palusami is a dish common to the Pacific. The recipe for this palusami is Tuvaluan.

Facilitate the students to notice that there are multiples of the fractional number which they can add or multiply

Notice students who use multiplicative thinking. Also notice and allow students to struggle with the counter intuitive principle of multiplying a whole number by a fractional number where the product gets smaller rather than larger.

Have concrete material available if needed for students to select (e.g., fraction tiles). Expect students to represent using drawings, number-line or fraction pieces to represent parts of the whole and explain these using notation.

Shareback

Select students who either use repeated addition for the fractional numbers (e.g., add $\frac{7}{8}$ three times for the can of corned beef and get $\frac{21}{8}$); or add the thirds and get six thirds and see this as equivalent to two wholes; or solve the problem as $3 \times \frac{7}{8} = \frac{21}{8}$ or $2 \frac{5}{8}$.

If the second multiplicative solution is not used, then model as another way the teacher has seen used previously.

Big Ideas

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A fraction describes division ($\frac{a}{b} = a \div b$, a & b are integers & $b \neq 0$), and it can be interpreted on the number line in two ways. For example, $\frac{2}{3} = 2 \div 3$.

On the number line, $2 \div 3$ can be interpreted as 2 segments where each is $\frac{2}{3}$ of a unit ($2 \times \frac{1}{3}$) or $\frac{1}{3}$ of 2 whole units ($\frac{1}{3} \times 2$); each is associated with the same point on the number line.

Every fraction/ratio can be represented by an infinite set of different but equivalent fractions/ratios.

The real-world actions for addition and subtraction of whole numbers are the same for operations with fractions and decimals.

Numerical expressions can be named in an infinite number of different but equivalent ways (e.g. $\frac{4}{6} \div \frac{2}{8} = \frac{2}{3} \div \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$; also $26 \times 4 = (20 + 6) \times 4$).

Connect

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

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 8 =$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \times 8 =$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \times 20 =$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \times 6 =$$

$$\frac{1}{10} \times 50 =$$

What patterns do you notice when you are multiplying fractions?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Multiply a mixed number by a whole number.

Multiply a fraction by a whole number.

Independent Tasks

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$\frac{1}{4}$ of a can of corned beef

$\frac{1}{8}$ of a bag of fresh spinach

$\frac{1}{3}$ of a small onion

$\frac{1}{4}$ clove of garlic minced

$\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoon of soy sauce

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup of coconut cream

There are 6 people having dinner altogether.
How much of each ingredient will they need?

Curriculum Links

During Year Five

For fractions with denominators of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, or 100:

– compare and order the fractions

– identify when two fractions are equivalent

Add and subtract fractions with the same denominators, including to make more than one whole

Use known multiplication facts to scale a quantity

During Year Six

For fractions with denominators of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, or 100:

– compare and order the fractions

– identify when two fractions are equivalent

– represent the fractions in their simplest form

Add and subtract fractions with the same or related denominators

Use known multiplication and division facts to scale a quantity

Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, quarters, fourths, whole number, equivalent, mixed numbers, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 9

Two classes are participating in a healthy eating programme. To help them a local shop has donated several boxes of fruit. In the boxes are 100 mandarins, 72 apples, and 35 pears. The teachers have decided to share the fruit between the two classes – can you work out how many each class should get:

Class One gets $\frac{6}{10}$ of the mandarins

Class Two gets $\frac{3}{4}$ of the apples?

Class One gets $\frac{4}{5}$ of the pears?

Which class gets the most pieces of fruit? Decide if you think this was fair.

Teacher Notes

During the launch, ensure that you reinforce that each set of fruit are one whole as part of developing the context.

Facilitate the students to notice that they are finding a fraction of a whole even when there are a number of items in that set. Also, draw attention to the denominator as naming what the whole is divided into.

Monitor for students using vocabulary of the whole and parts of the set.

Expect students to use chunking or division to solve the fraction tasks.

Shareback

Select students to share who have used a representation split into fraction parts and then have either used partitive division (e.g., $60 \div 6 = ?$) or have used the inverse relationship and repeated addition or multiplication (e.g., $6 \times ? = 60$).

If either solution is not used, then model as another way the teacher has seen used previously.

Big Ideas

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The whole is important in naming fractions. A fraction is relative to the size of the whole or unit

Numerical expressions can be named in an infinite number of different but equivalent ways (e.g. $\frac{4}{6} \div \frac{2}{8} = \frac{2}{3} \div \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$; also $26 \times 4 = (20 + 6) \times 4$).

Connect

Record the solution for each of the problems:

$$\frac{1}{10} \text{ of } 100 = 10 \quad 100 \div 10 = 10$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \text{ of } 72 = 18 \quad 72 \div 4 = 18$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \text{ of } 35 = 5 \quad 35 \div 5 = 5$$

What patterns and relationships do you notice?

What is a rule for finding a fraction of a set?

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Find fractions of a set.

Generalise how to find a fraction of a set.

Independent Tasks

You have a bag of 396 marbles, and you share them equally with three friends.

What fraction do you each get?

How many marbles will you each get?

You have a bag of 99 marbles, and you share them equally with two friends.

What fraction do you each get?

How many marbles will you each get?

What is a half of 248?

What is a half of 2480?

What is a quarter of 88?

What is a quarter of 880?

What is a third of 165?

What is a third of 1650?

What is one fifth of 150?

What is two fifths of 150?

What is four fifths of 150?

Curriculum Links

During Year Five

Find a fraction of a whole number, using multiplication and division facts and where the answer is a whole number (e.g., 32 of 24)

Identify, from a fractional part of a set, the whole set

During Year Six

Find a fraction or percentage of a whole number where the answer is a whole number

Identify, from a fractional part of a set, the whole set

Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, quarters, fourths, whole number, equivalent, mixed numbers, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 10

For Garden to Table, the classes are planting potatoes. They are trying to work out which class will have the most potato plants.

Three fifths of a bag of 35 seedling potatoes
Four sixths of a bag of 30 seedling potatoes
Three eighths of a bag of 64 seedling potatoes
Two quarters of a bag of 44 seedling potatoes

Teacher Notes

Facilitate the students to notice that when the fraction is not a unit fraction ($\frac{1}{5}$), then they have to use a multiplicative relationship to consider the sets of that fractional number

Monitor for students using vocabulary of numerator and denominator

Shareback

Select students to share who have used a representation split into fraction parts and then have either used The denominator to divide the sets of seedling potatoes into the equal parts and then the numerator to multiply to find the number in the set.

Connect

Ask students to describe how you would solve the following problems using the same solution method:

$$\frac{2}{5} \text{ of } 25$$

$$\frac{41}{122} \text{ of } 2543$$

$$\frac{a}{b} \text{ of } c$$

What rule can you use to find a fraction of a set?

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Suggested Learning Outcomes

Find fractions of a set.

Generalise how to find a fraction of a set.

Independent Tasks

The classes are planting potatoes. They are trying to work out which class will have the most potato plants.

Two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of a bag of 39 seedling potatoes

Three quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of a bag of 32 seedling potatoes

Three eighths ($\frac{3}{8}$) of a bag of 48 seedling potatoes

Curriculum Links

During Year Five

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During Year Six

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Identify, from a fractional part of a set, the whole set

Mathematical Language

Whole, thirds, ninths, tenths, fifths, equal, equivalent, fair share, partitioning, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 11

Sione has read $\frac{1}{4}$ of this book and is at page 26. How many pages are in the book?

Mele has spent \$28 which was $\frac{2}{3}$ of her birthday money. How much birthday money did she have?

Tali has given away $\frac{5}{12}$ of her stickers which is 18. How many stickers did Tali begin with?

Teacher Notes

Facilitate the students to notice that when the fraction is not a unit fraction, then they have to use a multiplicative relationship to consider the sets of that fractional number

Monitor for students using vocabulary of numerator and denominator

Shareback

Find the unit fraction for the set and then use the denominator to multiply to find the whole set.

Model representing the task using a bar model of fractions and a number-line.

Connect

Ask students to describe how they would solve the following tasks:

Tasa has read $\frac{5}{8}$ of a book and is at page 99. How many pages in the book?

Sia spent \$98 which was $\frac{2}{6}$ of her savings. How much did she have in her savings?

Can you come up with a rule to solve these types of tasks?

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Suggested Learning Outcomes

Use repeated subtraction as division.

Solve problems that involve dividing a mixed number by a fraction.

Independent Tasks

Mika has read $\frac{1}{8}$ of this book and is at page 12. How many pages in the book?

Peni has spent \$66 which was $\frac{4}{6}$ of his birthday money. How much birthday money did he have?

Loti has given away $\frac{7}{12}$ of her stickers which is 21. How many stickers did Loti begin with?

Curriculum Links

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Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Task 12

Solve these equations:

1. $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} =$

2. $_ = 1\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{2}$

3. $? = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}$

4. $4\frac{2}{3} + _ = 6$

5. $4 \times \frac{1}{4} = 3 \times \frac{1}{4}$

6. $_ = 5 - 2\frac{2}{7}$

7. $8 \times \frac{1}{2} =$

8. $\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{12} =$

9. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = ? + \frac{1}{2}$

10. $\frac{4}{5} - _ = \frac{1}{5}$

Be ready to explain and justify your explanations using representations and/or notation.

Teacher Notes

Facilitate the students to draw on the relationships they have identified in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Notice students who are able to generalise patterns across denominators

Shareback

Select students to share who are able to draw on number properties and operational laws including the understanding of the equals sign to solve the problems.

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The effects of operations for addition and subtraction with fractions and decimals are the same as those with whole numbers.

Fractions with unlike denominators are renamed as equivalent fractions with like denominators to add and subtract.

Connect

Draw on student solution strategies to highlight operational laws that the students used to solve the problems (e.g., inverse relationship, commutative property).

Connect back to number and algebra unit to highlight that the properties work with all numbers including fractions.

Suggested Learning Outcomes

Solve missing number problems that involve fractions.

Solve addition problems involving fractions.

Solve subtraction problems involving fractions.

Solve multiplication problems involving fractions.

Solve division problems involving fractions.

Use operational laws to solve missing number problems that involve fractions.

Independent Tasks

Choose from one of the following Assessment tasks:

Task 1: Fractions/Proportion, Ratio and Decimals

Task 2: Fractions (set)

Curriculum Links

During Year Five

Find a fraction of a whole number, using multiplication and division facts and where the answer is a whole number (e.g., 32 of 24)

Add and subtract fractions with the same denominators including to make more than one whole.

During Year Six

Find a fraction or percentage of a whole number where the answer is a whole number

Add and subtract fractions with the same related denominators

Mathematical Language

Whole, half, halves, eighths, whole number, equal, equivalent, section, mixed numbers, numerator, denominator.

Anticipations

Solutions, Misconceptions

Assessment Task 1 - Fractions - Year 5 - 6

Put these fractions in order from smallest to biggest.

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

$$\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{5}{10}$$

$$\frac{3}{9}$$

$$\frac{8}{12}$$

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

Explain and show how you know this.

Assessment Task 2 - Fractions - Year 5 - 6

Josh, Tamati and Emelia planted seeds in the garden.

Josh Planted two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of a bag of 39 seeds.

Tamati planted three quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of a bag of 32 seeds

Emelia planted three eighths ($\frac{3}{8}$) of a bag of 48 seeds

Who planted the most seeds? Who planted the least?

Explain and show how you know this.