## Fair Trade Fractions

Aim: Solve problems using fractions and percentages by: calculating quantities and using fractions to divide quantities; adding and subtracting fractions; using the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.

## Banana Trader

Follow the route from budding banana plant to harvesting and use your knowledge of fractions to find out how well the banana plants grow, where the bananas are sold and the challenges and the benefits that could affect the crop along the way.

## Planting the Crop



Eduardo the banana farmer plants 500 banana plants every season. There are some challenges and benefits on his farm. Using your fractions skills, work out the quantities and complete the table here.

| Eduardo's Bananas | Challenge/Benefit | Answer |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1. Eduardo planted 500 <br> banana plants at the <br> beginning of the season. | He had someone to help him <br> dig holes for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the banana <br> plants. | How many holes did he have <br> to dig himself? |
| 2. 500 banana plants were <br> growing slowly. | Eduardo had enough organic <br> fertiliser for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the slow- <br> growing crop. | How many banana plants <br> had fertiliser? |
| 3. Eduardo's 500 banana <br> plants were all ripening <br> well. | A flash flood washed away <br> 200 banana plants. | What fraction of the crop <br> was destroyed? |
| 4. 400 banana plants are |  |  |
| ready to harvest. | Eduardo has help to harvest <br> 300 of these plants. | What fraction of the crop <br> did Eduardo have help to <br> harvest? |
| 5. Eduardo has sold all 500 <br> of his banana plants and <br> needs to plant a new <br> crop. | Eduardo can plant another <br> as many crops as he <br> harvested last year. | How many banana plants <br> does Eduardo have this <br> time? |

## Sending the Crop around the World

Look carefully at the pie chart and answer the questions using the information.


1. What fraction of the bananas goes to Europe? How do you know?
2. If 400 bananas go to the USA, how many bananas go to China, India and Europe?
3. How many bananas are exported altogether?
4. If the number of bananas that go to the USA is increased to 600, how many bananas go to China, India and Europe now?
5. How many bananas are exported altogether now?

## Chocolate Chunks

A fair trade chocolate producer wants to divide samples of his chocolate for tasting. Use your fractions skills to work out how many sections each taster has to taste.

## Each bar is divided into 10 sections.



1. If there are ten tasters, what fraction of one chocolate bar would they each have?
2. If the ten tasters had two bars of chocolate, what fraction would they each have now?
3. If the ten tasters had seven bars of chocolate, what fraction would they each have now?

## Challenge:

Would each of the ten tasters have more sections of chocolate to taste if they had $\frac{1}{2}$ of five bars to share or $\frac{1}{2}$ of ten bars? How do you know?

## Fair Trade Fractions - Answers

Planting the Crop

1. 375
2. 125
3. $\frac{2}{5}$
4. $\frac{3}{4}$
5. 750

Sending the Crop around the World

1. $\frac{1}{2}$ - because I can see it is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the circle, or I know $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{8}=\frac{1}{2}$, so $\frac{1}{2}$ must go to Europe.
2. China: 200, India: 200, Europe: 800
3. 1600
4. China: 300, India: 300, Europe: 1200
5. 2400

Chocolate Chunks

1. $\frac{1}{10}$
2. $\frac{2}{10}$
3. $\frac{7}{10}$

Challenge
$\frac{1}{2}$ of ten bars to share will give more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of five bars to share.
Explanation
The ten tasters could divide 5 bars into $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{1}{2}$ of each bar $=5$ sections; $\times 5$ bars $=25$ sections. Divide by 10 tasters $=2.5$ sections each.

The ten tasters could share 10 bars into $\frac{1}{2}$, to give 5 sections. 5 sections $\times 10$ bars $=50$ sections. Divide by 10 tasters $=5$ sections each.

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Follow the route from budding banana plant to harvesting and use your knowledge of fractions to find out how well the banana plants grow, where the bananas are sold and the challenges and the benefits that could affect the crop along the way.

## Planting the Crop



Eduardo the banana farmer plants 1000 banana plants every season. There are some challenges and benefits on his farm. Using your fractions skills, work out the quantities and complete the table here.

| Eduardo's Bananas | Challenge/Benefit | Answer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Eduardo planted 1000 banana plants at the beginning of the season. | He had someone to help him dig holes for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the banana plants. | How many holes did he have to dig himself? |
| 2. 900 banana plants were growing slowly. | Eduardo had enough organic fertiliser for $\frac{1}{3}$ of the slowgrowing crop. | How many banana plants had fertiliser? |
| 3. Eduardo's 1000 banana plants were all ripening well. | A flash flood washed away 200 banana plants. | What fraction of the crop was destroyed? |
| 4. 600 banana plants are ready to harvest. | Eduardo has help to harvest 400 of these plants. | What fraction of the crop did Eduardo have help to harvest? |
| 5. Eduardo has sold all of his bananas and needs to plant his new crop. | Eduardo can plant another $\frac{1}{2}$ as many plants as his last crop. | How many banana plants does Eduardo have this time? |

## Sending the Crop around the World

Look carefully at the pie chart and answer the questions using the information.


1. What percentage of the bananas goes to Europe? How do you know?
2. If the number of bananas that go to China is 400 , how many bananas go to Canada, the USA, the rest of the world and Europe? Round the amount going to Europe to the nearest hundred.
3. How many bananas are exported altogether?
4. If the number of bananas that go to Canada is increased to 1600 , how many bananas go to China, the USA, the rest of the world and Europe now?
5. How many bananas are exported altogether now?
6. If the order was changed and $\frac{1}{2}$ of the total order was going to Europe, $\frac{1}{4}$ was going to the rest of the world, $\frac{1}{8}$ was going to Canada and $\frac{1}{8}$ going to USA, haw many bananas would go to each destination? How can you check your calculations are correct?

## Chocolate Chunks

A fair trade chocolate producer wants to trade the chocolate he produces, but each person he trades with will take their share of the profits.

## Follow the supply chain.

Using the information in the table, find out what share of
 the profits each supplier in the chain receives. Record each share as a fraction, a decimal and percentage. Then, subtract each charge from the total and calculate the next charge.

| Value of chocolate | Supply costs | Fraction | Decimal | Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| £ 5000 | 1. The harvesters charge £500. | $500 \div 5000=1 / 10$ | 0.1 | 10\% |
| £4500 | 2. The shipping line charges $£ 900$. |  |  |  |
| £ | 3. The lorry drivers charge $£ 900$. |  |  |  |
| £ | 4. The packaging company charge £270. |  |  |  |
| £ | 5. The cocoa plant supplier charges $£ 1$ 215. |  |  |  |
| £ |  |  |  |  |

If the supermarket then pays $£ 5000$ for the chocolate, how much will the trader have as profit in total?

## Fair Trade Fractions - Answers

Planting the Crop

1. 750
2. 300
3. $\frac{200}{1000}$ or $\frac{2}{10}$ or $\frac{1}{5}$
4. $\frac{400}{600}$ or $\frac{4}{6}$ or $\frac{2}{3}$
5. 750 plants

Sending the Crop around the World

1. $24 \%+3 \%+6 \%+30 \%=63 \%$, so $37 \%$ must go to Europe.
2. Canada: 800, USA: 3 200, the rest of the world: 4 000, Europe: 4 933, rounded to 4900.
3. 13300
4. China: 800, USA: 6 400, rest of the world: $\mathbf{8} \mathbf{0 0 0}$, Europe: 9800
5. 26600
6. 13300 to Europe; 6650 to the rest of the world; 3325 to Canada and 3325 to USA). To check, add each amount together and the total will be 26600.

Chocolate Chunks

| Value of <br> chocolate | Supply costs | Fraction | Decimal | Percentage |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $£ 5000$ | 1. The harvesters charge <br> $£ 500$. | $500 \div 5000=1 / 10$ | 0.1 | $10 \%$ |
| $£ 400$ | 2. The shipping line charges <br> $£ 900$. | $900 \div 4500=1 / 5$ | 0.2 | $20 \%$ |
| $£ 600$ | 3. The lorry drivers charge <br> £900. | $900 \div 3600=1 / 4$ | 0.25 | $25 \%$ |
| $£ 2700$ | 4. The packaging company <br> charge $£ 270$. | $270 \div 2700=1 / 10$ | 0.1 | $10 \%$ |
| $£ 2430$ | 5. The cocoa plant supplier <br> charges $£ 1215$. | $1215 \div 2430=1 / 2$ | 0.5 | $50 \%$ |
| $£ 1215$ |  |  |  |  |

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Follow the route from budding banana plant to harvesting and use your knowledge of fractions to find out how well the banana plants grow, where the bananas are sold and the challenges and the benefits that could affect the crop along the way.

## Planting the Crop



Eduardo the banana farmer plants 10000 banana plants every season. There are some challenges and benefits on his farm. Using your fractions skills, work out the quantities and complete the table here. Record fractions in their simplest form.

| Eduardo's Bananas | Challenge/Benefit | Answer |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1. Eduardo planted 10 000 <br> banana plants at the <br> beginning of the season. | He had someone to help him <br> dig holes for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the banana <br> plants. | How many holes did he have <br> to dig himself? |
| 2. 9000 banana plants <br> were growing slowly. | Eduardo had enough organic <br> fertiliser for $\frac{1}{3}$ of the slow- <br> growing crop. | How many banana plants <br> had fertiliser? |
| 3. Eduardo's 10000 banana <br> plants were all ripening <br> well. | A flash flood washed away <br> 2000 banana plants. | What fraction of the crop <br> was destroyed? |
| 4. 7 500 banana plants are |  |  |
| ready to harvest. | Eduardo has help to harvest <br> 2500 of these plants. | What fraction of the crop <br> did Eduardo have help to <br> harvest? |
| 5. Eduardo has sold all of |  |  |
| his bananas and needs to |  |  |
| plant his new crop. | Eduardo plants another $\frac{3}{4}$ <br> of a crop in addition to his <br> current crop. | How many banana plants <br> does Eduardo now have in <br> total? |

## Sending the Crop around the World

Look carefully at the pie chart and answer the questions using the information.


1. What percentage of the bananas go to Europe? How do you know?
2. If the number of bananas that go to China is 500, how many bananas go to Canada, the USA, Russia, the UK and Europe? Round the amount going to the rest of the world to the nearest hundred.
3. How many bananas are exported altogether?
4. If the number of bananas that go to Canada is increased by 100\%, how many bananas go to China, the USA, Russia, the UK, Europe and the rest of the world now?
5. How many bananas are exported altogether now?
6. If the order was changed and $\frac{2}{5}$ of the total order was going to Europe, $\frac{2}{10}$ was going to the Rest of the World, and $\frac{4}{10}$ going to USA, haw many bananas would go to each destination? How can you check your calculations are correct?

## Chocolate Chunks

Traders need to get the best price for their products as possible, but they may need to compare prices for different services along the supply chain so they get the best value for money and keep as much profit as they can.

Help the chocolate trader to get the best price for the services he needs to get his chocolate from the farm to the
 supermarket. Once you calculate the best price for each service, subtract the amount from the running total in the left hand column. Show your workings as you make your choices.

| Value of chocolate | Supply costs | Workings |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| £ 5000 | 1. Is the best value for the harvesters: a. $£ 500$ or, b. 2/10 of $£ 5$ 000? | a. $£ 500$ as $2 / 10 \times £ 5000=$ £1 000 |
| £4500 | 2. Is the best value for the shipping line: a. $£ 900$ or b. $25 \%$ of $£ 4500$ ? |  |
| $\boldsymbol{£}$ | 3. Is the best value for the lorry drivers: a. $£ 1200$ or b. 0.25 of $£ 3600$ ? |  |
| £ | 4. Is the best value for the packaging company: <br> a. $10 \%$ of $£ 2700$ or a charge of $£ 290$ ? |  |
| £ | 5. Is the best value for the cocoa plant supplier: <br> a. $£ 1210$ or b. $\frac{1}{2}$ of $£ 2430$ ? |  |
| £ |  |  |

## Challenge

The trader gets an international trading rebate that takes the final value of his chocolate to $\frac{1}{4}$ the original value. How much rebate does he receive?

## Fair Trade Fractions - Answers

Planting the Crop

1. 2500
2. 3000
3. $\frac{200}{10000}$ or $\frac{2}{10}$ or $\frac{1}{5}$
4. $\frac{2500}{7500}$ or $\frac{25}{75}$ or $\frac{1}{3}$
5. 17500

Sending the Crop around the World

1. $3 \%+6 \%+12 \%+18 \%+42 \%+7 \%=88 \%$ so $12 \%$ must go to Europe.
2. Canada: 1 000, USA: 2 000, Russia: 3 000, UK: 7 000, Europe: 2 000, Rest of the World: 1166.66 rounded to 1200
3. 16700
4. China: 1 000, USA: 4 000, Russia: 6 000, UK: 14 000, Europe: 4 000, Rest of the World: 2400
5. 33400
6. $\frac{2}{5}$ of $33400=13360 ; \frac{2}{10}=\frac{1}{5}$ of $33400=6680 ; \frac{4}{10}=\frac{2}{5}$ of $33400=13360$.

To check, add each amount together and the total will be 33400.
Chocolate Chunks

| Value of chocolate | Supply costs | Workings |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| £ 5000 | 1. Is the best value for the harvesters: a. $£ 500$ or, b. $2 / 10$ of $£ 5000$ ? | a. $£ 500$ as $2 / 10 \times £ 5000=$ |
| £4500 | 2. Is the best value for the shipping line: <br> a. $£ 900$ or b. $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ of $£ 4,500$ ? | a. $£ 900$ as $25 \%$ of $£ 4500=$ £1 125 |
| £3600 | 3. Is the best value for the lorry drivers: a. $£ 1200$ or b. 0.25 of $£ 3600$ ? | b. $\mathbf{0}$. 25 of $£ 3600=£ 900$ |
| £2 700 | 4. Is the best value for the packaging company: a. 10\% of $£ 2700$ or a charge of $£ 290$ ? | a. $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ of $£ 2700=£ 270$ |
| £2 430 | 5. Is the best value for the cocoa plant supplier: a. $£ 1210$ or b. $\frac{1}{2}$ of $£ 2430$ ? | a. $£ 1210$ as $\frac{1}{2}$ of $£ 2430=$ <br> £1 215 |
| £ 1220 |  |  |

Challenge
$£ 30$ as $\frac{1}{4}$ of $£ 5000=£ 1250$.
£1 $\mathbf{2 5 0} \mathbf{- £ 1 2 2 0 = £ 3 0}$

