Fractions: Multiplying Fractions Reasoning

Aim: Multiply simple pairs of proper fractions, writing the answer in its simplest form. I can solve reasoning questions involving multiplying proper fractions.	Success Criteria: I can break down complex problems into smaller steps. I can use mathematical language to explain solutions to problems.	Resources: Lesson Pack
	Key/New Words: Proper fraction, multiply, denominator, numerator.	Preparation: Multiplying Fractions Reasoning Activity Sheet - 1 per child

Prior Learning:

It will be helpful if children have experience of multiplying proper fractions and mixed numbers by whole numbers, supported by materials and diagrams.

Learning Sequence

	Guided Maths Question 1: Use the step-by-step slides on the Lesson Presentation to model how to answer a reasoning question based on shading a fraction diagram by calculating the answer to a fraction multiplication.	
8	Partner Maths Question 1: The children work in partners to apply the previous teacher modelling to a similar question displayed on the Lesson Presentation, discussing their reasoning. Answer included.	
	Guided Maths Question 2: Use the step-by-step slides on the Lesson Presentation to model how to answer a second reasoning question based on finding four pairs of proper fractions that multiply together to give the same answer.	
	Partner Maths Question 2: The children work in partners to apply the previous teacher modelling to a similar question displayed on the Lesson Presentation, discussing their reasoning. Answer included.	
	Guided Maths Question 3: Use the step-by-step slides on the Lesson Presentation to model how to answer a third reasoning question involving multiplying fractions together in a calculation that uses brackets.	
3	Partner Maths Question 3: The children work in partners to apply the previous teacher modelling to a similar question displayed on the Lesson Presentation, discussing their reasoning. Answer included.	
(*)	Reasoning Practice: Children complete the Multiplying Fractions Reasoning Activity Sheet to show that they can solve reasoning questions involving multiplying proper fractions.	
Whole Class	Reasoning Practice Answers: Use the slides on the Lesson Presentation to discuss the answers to the independent activity questions and self-assess.	

