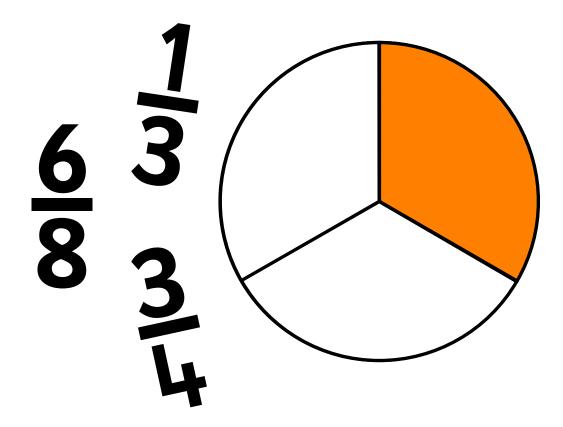
fraction



Fractions are equal parts of whole things.

numerator

The part of a fraction above the line.

It tells how many parts are being counted.

denominator

3

The part of a fraction below the line.

It tells how many equal parts there are in the whole thing.

proper fraction

A fraction where the numerator is less than the denominator.

1 3 9

improper fraction

A fraction where the numerator is larger than or equal to the denominator.

mixed number

A whole number and a fraction.

simplest form

A fraction is in simplest form when the numerator and the denominator are as small as they can be.

$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5} \quad \frac{21}{30} = \frac{7}{10}$$

equivalent fraction

Fractions that show different numbers with the same value.

$$\frac{8}{12} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

common denominator

Fractions that all have the same denominator.

1

3 5

4

Simplifying fractions to have the same denominator makes them easier to add and subtract.

simplify

Finding a fraction in its simplest form where the numerator and the denominator are as small as they can be.

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unit fraction

A fraction where the numerator is 1.

10

3

1 2

non-unit fraction

A fraction where the numerator is more than 1.

12

8

5

3

proportion

Proportion says that two fractions are equal.

 8
 4

 12
 6