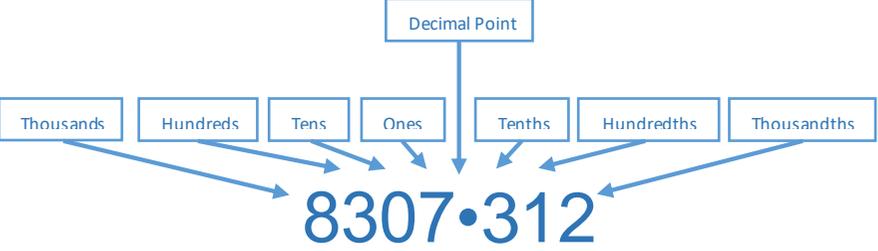
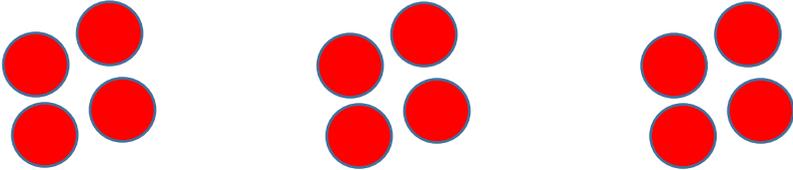
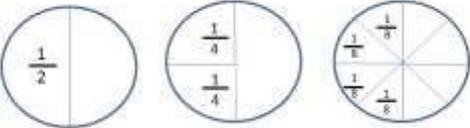


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Terms	Definition	Illustrations
Fraction	<p>A fraction has the form $\frac{a}{b}$ where a and b are positive integers.</p> <p>The integer b is the denominator and is the number of equal parts into which a whole is divided. The integer a is the numerator and is the number of those equal parts that are included.</p>	
Common denominator	<p>When two or more fractions have the same denominator they have a common denominator.</p>	
Decimal fraction	<p>A fraction where the denominator is any power of ten, such as 10, 100, 1000.</p> <p>It is written using a decimal point.</p>	<p>0.3 (which is 3 tenths)</p> <p>0.05 (which is 5 hundredths)</p> <p>0.012 (which is 12 thousandths)</p>
Decimal point	<p>A point or dot used to separate the whole number part from the fractional part of a number.</p> <p>Numbers to the left of the decimal point are whole numbers.</p>	

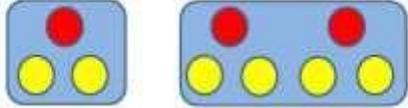
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<p>Equal sharing / fair sharing</p>	<p>The early stages in learning about division and fractions involve sharing out a number of objects fairly (into equal shares).</p> <p>Learners will also explore situations where this is not possible, where some objects will be left over.</p>	<p>12 counters are shared fairly between 3 people.</p>  <p>Each person will receive 4 counters.</p>
<p>Equivalence of fractions, decimal fractions and percentages</p>	<p>Fractions, decimal fractions and percentages can be used interchangeably. Equivalence of commonly used fractions, decimal fractions and percentages are very useful to know.</p>	<p>$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5 = 50\%$</p> <p>$\frac{3}{4} = 0.75 = 75\%$</p>
<p>Equivalent fractions</p>	<p>Fractions which have equal value are known as equivalent fractions. Diagrams are helpful in finding families of equivalent fractions.</p>	 <p>$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{4}{8}$</p>

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<p>Fraction wall</p>	<p>This is a diagram where each row in the wall represents one whole.</p> <p>Each row is split into different equal parts (fractions of the whole).</p> <p>It can help visualise equivalent fractions such as two sixths is equivalent to one third.</p>	
<p>Grouping</p>	<p>The early stages in learning about division and fractions involve splitting a number of objects into groups of particular size.</p> <p>Learners will also explore situations where this is not possible, where some objects will be left over.</p>	<p>15 counters are divided into groups of 3.</p> <p>There are 5 groups.</p>
<p>Improper fraction</p>	<p>A fraction where the numerator is greater than the denominator.</p>	$\frac{8}{5}$
<p>Mixed number</p>	<p>A number which has a whole number and a fraction combined.</p>	$2 \frac{3}{4}$

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<p>Percentage</p>	<p>Percent means parts per 100. The symbol used is %.</p>	<p>25% of this diagram is shaded green.</p> 
<p>Proper fraction</p>	<p>A fraction where the numerator is less than the denominator.</p>	
<p>Proportion</p>	<p>Quantities are in proportion to one another if a multiplication or division of one quantity is accompanied by a multiplication or division in the other.</p>	<p>If 3 oranges cost £1.05 then 1 orange would cost 35p. If a recipe for 12 scones uses 225g of flour then 450g would be needed for 24 scones.</p>
<p>Ratio</p>	<p>A ratio shows the relative sizes of two or more quantities and describes how these quantities are related. A ratio can be expressed in words or by using a colon.</p>	<p>The diagrams below show red and yellow dots in the ratio 1:2. For every one red dot there are 2 yellow dots. The ratio of yellow dots to red dots is 2:1.</p> 
<p>Unit fraction</p>	<p>Any fraction with a numerator of 1.</p>	