

# *Unit 4 Module 3 Session 2*

## *Problems & Investigations-Comparing & Ordering Unit Fractions*

### Getting Ready-

- Several sheets of 9" × 12" yellow construction paper (see Preparation)
- several pieces of 4" × 6" white copy paper for demonstration purposes
- students' folded and labeled paper rectangles from the previous session
- scissors, class set

## Getting Ready Con't.

- six 1" × 12" strips of red construction paper
- masking tape or magnets
- glue sticks (optional)
- 12" × 18" construction paper, any color (optional, class set)

# VOCABULARY

Common fractions

Compare

Denominator

Fraction

Greatest

Least

Less than

More than

Numerator

Order

Unit fraction



- Demonstrate an understanding of a unit fraction
- Represent fractions with denominators of 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8 as parts of a whole
- Demonstrate an understanding of a fraction as equal parts of a whole
- Explain why one fraction must be greater than or less than another fraction
- Order fractions that have denominators of 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8

What does **fair share** mean?

What does  $1/4$  mean?

What does  $1/8$  mean?

# REVIEW



**NUMERATOR- THE NUMBER ON THE TOP OF A FRACTION  
(HOW MANY PARTS WE HAVE)**

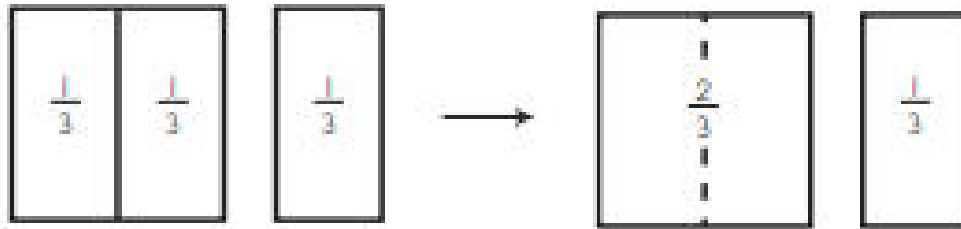
**DENOMINATOR-THE NUMBER ON THE BOTTOM OF THE  
FRACTION. (HOW MANY EQUAL PARTS THE ITEM IS  
DIVIDED INTO.)**

Get out your paper folded in 3 equal parts.

Cut off 1 equal part

Label the 2 parts that are left  $\frac{2}{3}$

On the back of the  $\frac{2}{3}$  write  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

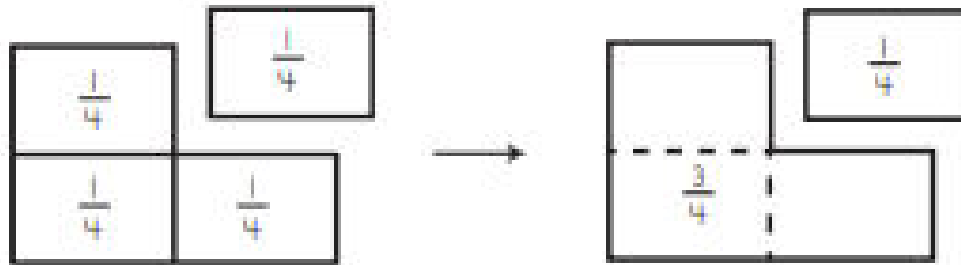


Get out your paper folded in 4 equal parts.

Cut off 1 equal part

Label the 3 parts that are left  $\frac{3}{4}$

On the back of the  $\frac{3}{4}$  write  $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$



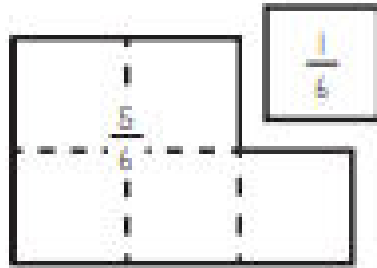


Get out your paper folded in 6 equal parts.

Cut off 1 equal part

Label the 5 parts that are left  $\frac{5}{6}$

On the back of the  $\frac{5}{6}$  write  $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$

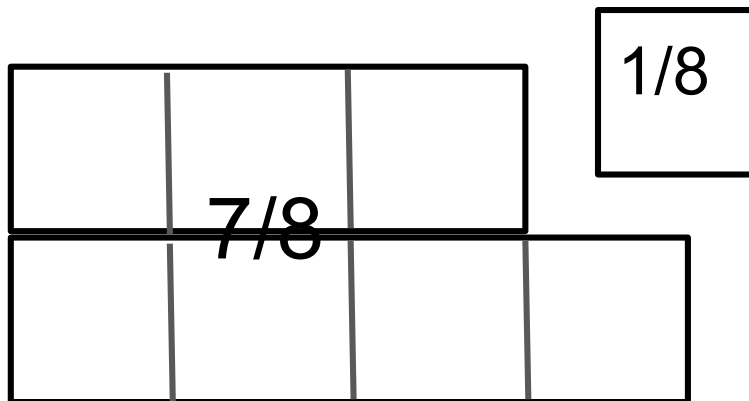


Get out your paper folded in 8 equal parts.

Cut off 1 equal part

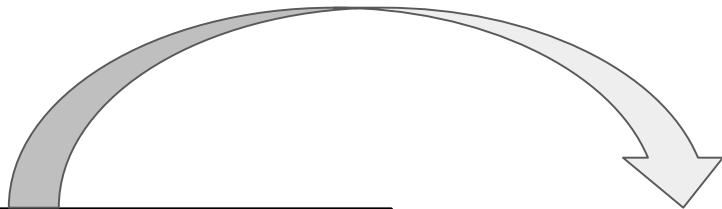
Label the 7 parts that are left  $7/8$

On the back of the  $7/8$  write  $1/7 + 1/7 + 1/7 + 1/7 + 1/7 + 1/7 + 1/7 = 7/8$



1/1

whole



$1/3$

$1/4$

$1/8$

$1/2$

$1/6$

$1/1$

Take each or your **unit fraction** pieces, including the whole, and line them up from **greatest** to **least**.

# HOW DID YOU DO?



$$\frac{1}{1}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{1}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{8}$$

**OBSERVATIONS?**



Use the word bank in your observations.

Greatest

Denominator

Fraction

Unit fraction

Least

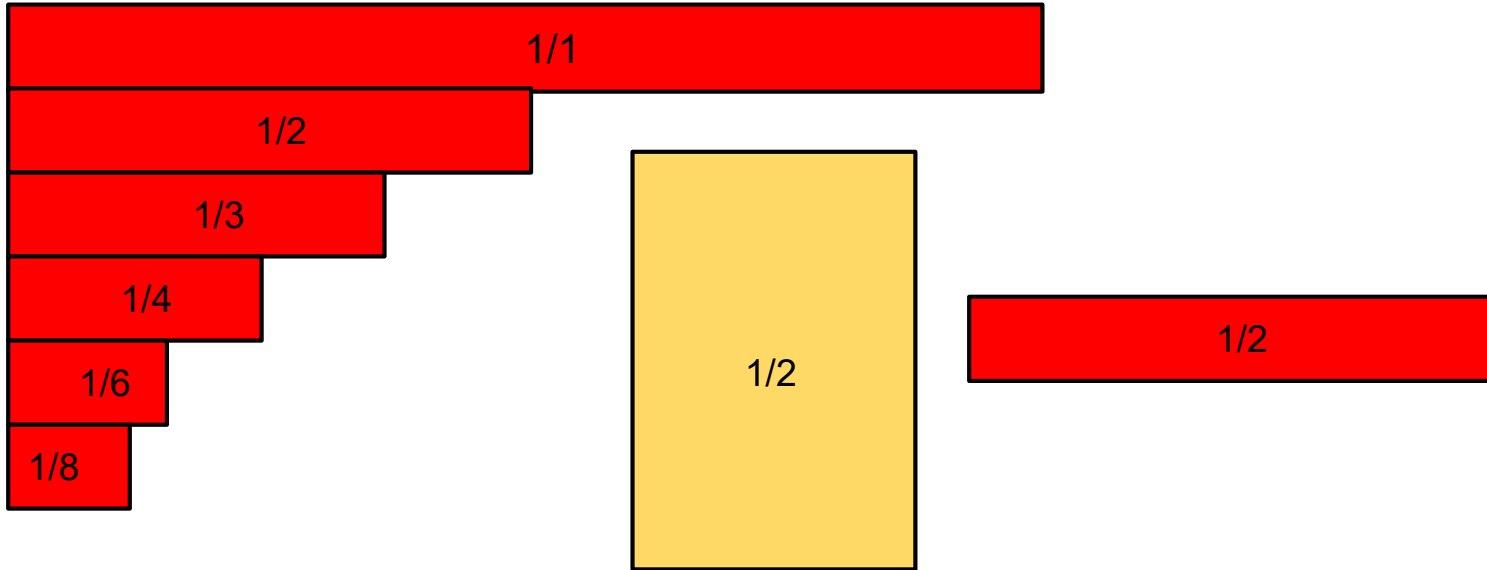
Order

Less than


Numerator

More than

## Licorice Whips



- Are these both one-half? How can that be?
- Which half would you rather have? Why?
- Which half is bigger? How do you know?
- Does the size of the whole matter? Why?



Put all your fraction  
pieces in your  
envelope.



# ***Work Places***

3B Add & Round Tens

3C Round Ball Hundreds

3D Round & Add Hundreds

4A Tic-Tac-Tock

4B Measurement Scavenger Hunt

4C Target One Thousand

# *Daily Practice*

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