

## Grade 6 Unit 4: Division of Fractions

### Lessons 1–9: Making Sense of Division and Meaning of Fraction Division

Explore, Play, and Discuss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I can explain how multiplication and division are related.</li><li>• When given a division equation, I can write a multiplication equation that represents the same situation.</li></ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Lesson 2: This lesson focuses on the meaning of division and its relationship with multiplication.</li><li>➤ Lesson 3, Activity 3: In this activity, students continue to investigate division problems in terms of equal-size groups, and represent them using both diagrams and equations.</li></ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Lesson 2 cool-down</li><li>➤ Check Your Readiness: Administer all items at least a couple of days before beginning instruction to gather data. Use the guidance provided with each problem to adjust instruction so that students can access the math in the unit.</li></ul>

Deep Dive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I can explain two ways of interpreting a division expression.</li></ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Lesson 6: Focuses on interpreting division as “how many groups” with division problems involving fractions.</li><li>➤ Lesson 7, Activity 3: Students make sense of quotients less than and greater than 1 in the same context.</li></ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Lesson 6 cool-down</li><li>➤ Lesson 7 cool-down</li></ul>

Synthesize and Apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I can create a diagram or write an equation that represents division and multiplication questions.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Lesson 8: Focus on situations where the number of groups is known, but the size of the group (how many are in each group) is not.</li> <li>➤ Lesson 9, Activity 3: Write equations and draw diagrams regarding the amount in one group in a division situation.</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Lesson 8 cool-down</li> <li>➤ Lesson 9 cool-down</li> </ul>

Ongoing Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assign one or more of the distributed practice problem sets from lessons 1–9 to be completed over the time period that the section is being worked on.</li> <li>These could also be lagging, so that students are working on practice problems from the previous section or unit during this section or unit.</li> <li>Specify which problems students should submit, or let them choose.</li> <li>Note: Several existing platforms already have IM’s practice problems loaded so that students can complete and submit them online. Some can be autoscored.</li> </ul>
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Anytime Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any of the warm-up activities from lessons 1-9</li> <li>Lesson 1</li> </ul>
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## Lessons 10–17: Algorithm for Fraction Division and Fractions in Length, Area and Volume

Explore, Play, and Discuss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I can divide a number by a non-unit fraction by reasoning with the numerator and denominator, which are whole numbers.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 10, Activity 1: A reminder of the connection between tape diagrams and sentences describing multiplication and division.</li> <li>Lesson 11, Activity 1: Students multiply fractions.</li> <li>Lesson 10, Activity 2: students use tape diagrams and a meaning of division to divide a number by unit fractions. Students arrive at the conclusion that <math>a \div (1/b)</math> is equivalent to <math>a * b</math>.</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Write a journal entry describing a possible connection between dividing by <math>(1/b)</math> and multiplication by a number.</li> </ul>

Deep Dive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I can describe and apply a rule to divide numbers by any fraction.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 10, Activity 3: Dividing by non-unit fractions.</li> <li>Lesson 11, Activity 2 and 3: finalizing algorithm for fraction division.</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 10 cool-down</li> <li>Lesson 11 cool-down</li> <li>Revisions to previous assessment prompts.</li> </ul>

Synthesize and Apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I can use division and multiplication to solve problems involving areas of triangles with fractional bases and heights.</li> <li>I know how to find the volume of a rectangular prism even when the edge lengths are not whole numbers.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Activity Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 14: Using division of fractions in geometric contexts.</li> <li>Lesson 15, Activity 2: Further application of fraction division using volume.</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment Suggestions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 14 cool-down</li> <li>Lesson 15 cool-down</li> </ul>

### Ongoing Practice

- Assign one or more of the distributed practice problem sets from lessons 10-17 to be completed over the time period that the section is being worked on.
- These could also be lagging, so that students are working on practice problems from the previous section or unit during this section or unit.
- Specify which problems students should submit, or let them choose.
- Note: Several existing platforms already have IM's practice problems loaded so that students can complete and submit them online. Some can be autoscored.

### Anytime Resources

- Any of the warm up activities from 10-17
- The Family Support Materials from this unit provide high level guidance on the content of this unit and sample problems with answers.