

Lesson 4: Interpret Division Expressions

• Let's make sense of division expressions.

Warm-up: Number Talk: More or Less?

Find the value of each expression mentally.

- 500 **–** 475
- 504 **–** 475
- 512 **–** 475
- 512 449



4.1: Spinning Tops

Spinning tops are popular around the world. Here are spinning tops from a few different cultures.











Match each situation about spinning tops with an expression that can represent it.

- 1. Clare has a collection of 24 spinning tops in four colors. She has the same number of tops in black, white, red, and green. How many tops of each color does she have?
- A. $24 \div 2$

- 2. Priya and her friend are decorating 24 wooden tops with paint. If each person is painting the same number of tops, how many tops is each person painting?
- B. $12 \div 2$

- 3. A store has 24 tops from around the world displayed in 6 boxes. Each box contains the same number of tops. How many tops are in each box?
- $C. 24 \div 4$

- 4. Diego has 12 trompos that he wants to give as gifts. If he gives each friend 2 trompos, how many friends can get them as gifts?
- D. $12 \div 6$

- 5. Six friends are playing with 12 dreidels. If everyone is playing with the same number of dreidels, how many dreidels does each person have?
- E. $24 \div 6$



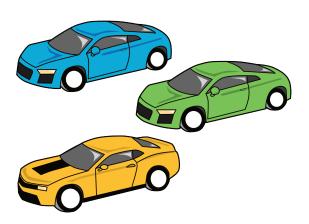
4.2: Cars in Boxes

Consider these two situations.

A. Han has 21 toy cars. He puts the same number of cars in each of 3 boxes. How many cars will be in each box?

B. Han has 21 toy cars. He wants to put 3 cars in each box. How many boxes will he need?

Which situation does the expression $21 \div 3$ represent? Explain your reasoning.





4.3: Stacks of Blocks

Match each situation to a drawing and an expression that represent the situation. Be prepared to explain your reasoning.

- 1. Kiran uses 6 blocks to make stacks. Each stack has 2 blocks. How many stacks are there?
- 2. Han uses 6 blocks to make two equal stacks. How many blocks are in each stack?
- 3. Jada uses 6 blocks to build stacks with 3 blocks each. How many stacks are there?
- 4. Mai uses 6 blocks to make 3 equal stacks. How many blocks are in each stack?

