

#### Year 1 | Summer Term | Week 4 to 5 - Number: Fractions



# Overview Small Steps

Find a half (1)
Find a half (2)
Find a quarter (1)
Find a quarter (2)

#### **NC** Objectives

Recognise, find and name a half as one of two equal parts of an object, shape or quantity. Recognise, find and name a quarter as one of four equal parts of an object, shape or quantity. Compare, describe and solve practical problems for: lengths and heights (for example, long/short, longer/shorter, tall/short, double/half) Compare, describe and solve practical problems for: mass/weight [for example, heavy/light, heavier than, lighter than]; capacity and volume [for example, full/empty, more than, less than, half, half full, quarter]



## Find a Half (1)

#### Notes and Guidance

Children explore finding a half for the first time using shapes and sets of objects. They will use the vocabulary 'half' and 'whole'. Children will not at this stage use the fractional notation of  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

It is important that they know that a half means 'one of two equal parts' and are able to count them.

#### Mathematical Talk

How many parts have I split my object into? How can you show a half of something? How do you know if a shape is split into halves? How many halves make a whole?

Can we count them?

How do you know if an object or shape has not been split in half?

Is there more than one way to show half of a shape or object? Is this the same for all shapes?

#### Varied Fluency

Show the children real life objects and how they can be cut in half.

How can we cut these objects in half?



Can any of the objects be cut in half in more than one way?

Which circles have been split into equal halves?

Thatch the halves to make 5 complete shapes.



## Find a Half (1)

#### **Reasoning and Problem Solving**

Eva and Jack are both attempting to split a rectangle in half.





Eva





Find Jack's three examples.



#### Possible answer:



There are a number of different answers for other shapes children could add to the table.



#### Find a Half (2)

#### Notes and Guidance

Children use their understanding of finding half of an object or shape and apply this to finding half of a small quantity. It is important that children find the total amount and can then show how this number can be shared equally into two. The use of concrete manipulatives such as counters can help children to find a half.

#### Varied Fluency



Mathematical Talk

How can we find half of an amount?

How many groups do we need to share our beads between?

How can you check that you have found half?

How many equal parts should you have when you have split the objects in half?

There are \_\_\_\_ beads.

Half of \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

There are \_\_\_\_ marbles.

Half of \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_

📮 Find half of the sheep.



There are \_\_\_\_\_ sheep.

Half of \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_



#### Find a Half (2)

#### Reasoning and Problem Solving





#### Find a Quarter (1)

#### Notes and Guidance

Children explore quarters for the first time. They will develop their understanding of equal parts and non-equal parts and relate this to a shape or object being split up into four equal parts.

Children will use the words quarters and parts at this stage but will not use the fractional notation of  $\frac{1}{4}$ 

#### Mathematical Talk

How many parts does my whole have? Are my parts equal or not equal? How many equal parts can we see/count?

Can we make a quarter in a different way?

Which shapes show equal parts? Which shapes show four equal parts? Which shapes show quarters?

#### Varied Fluency

- Take two square pieces of paper, two circular pieces of paper and two rectangular pieces of paper.
   Model folding one of each into four equal parts and the other into four non-equal parts.
  - Which shapes show equal parts? Which do not?
  - How many equal parts can we see?
    Can we fold any of the shapes in a different way and still get equal parts?

Count the equal parts and then model counting them in quarters.

Colour a quarter of each shape. Can you colour it in different ways?









#### Find a Quarter (1)

#### Reasoning and Problem Solving



Alex is correct because quarters must be four equal parts. Jack has split his square into four unequal parts so they are not quarters. Use the squares to show:

- Less than a quarter shaded.
- Exactly a quarter shaded.
- More than a quarter shaded.

There are multiple solutions for each one.





#### Find a Quarter (2)

#### Notes and Guidance

Children find a quarter of a small quantity through equal sharing. It is important they can show the groups clearly by drawing around quantities or by physically sharing into something. Children will use the word quarters and parts at this stage but will not use the fractional notation of  $\frac{1}{4}$ . They also begin to describe capacity using the terminology 'a quarter full'.

#### Mathematical Talk

How many sweets do I have? How can I share them equally into four groups? What is one quarter worth?

Are my containers the same or different? Can you should me a quarter full in each container.

How can I quarter this amount? If I have 2, and it is a quarter, what will the whole look like? What will the whole be worth?

#### Varied Fluency

丁 Share each quantity into four equal groups.



There are \_\_\_ cakes. There is \_\_\_ cake in each quarter. A quarter of \_\_\_ is \_\_\_



There are \_\_\_\_ sweets. There are \_\_\_\_ sweets in each quarter. A quarter of \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_



There are \_\_\_\_ peaches. There are \_\_\_\_ peaches in each quarter. A quarter of \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_

Use a range of containers and rice/water. Can you show me a quarter full in each container? Do they look the same or different?



Use counters to complete the sentences.

A quarter of 4 is \_\_\_\_

A quarter of 8 is \_\_\_\_

1 is one quarter of \_\_\_\_

3 is one quarter of \_\_\_\_



#### Find a Quarter (2)

#### Reasoning and Problem Solving

One cube is a quarter, what could	Possible answers:	Mr. White has asked his class to put one quarter of the balls into the hoop. Whitney is correct because one	:t
the whole look like?	Any arrangement of 4 cubes.	quarter of 12 is 3	
Two cubes are a quarter, what could the whole look like?	Any arrangement of 8 cubes.	Teddy has misinterpreted or quarter to just	าย
Three cubes are a quarter, what could the whole look like?	Any arrangement of 12 cubes.	Teddy    the hoop.      I'm going to put three balls in the hoop.    Tommy knows that quarters are linked to fours but the fours	.+
How many different possibilities can you make?	different possibilities which the children will find through their	Vhitney Vhitney I'm going to put four balls into the hoop. Tommy	,,
	exploration with the multilink.	Who is correct? Can you explain any mistakes made?	

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