## **Equivalent Fractions**

Write two fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{2}{6}$ .						
<b>Step 1</b> Make a model to represent $\frac{2}{6}$ .						
The rectane	gle is divide	ed into 6 eq	ual parts, v	vith 2 parts	shaded.	
Step 2 Div	vide the rec	tangle from	Step 1 in I	half.		
The rectane	gle is now c	livided into	12 equal p	arts, with 4	parts shac	led.
The model	shows the	fraction $\frac{4}{12}$ .	So, $\frac{2}{6}$ and	$\frac{4}{12}$ are equi	ivalent.	
<b>Step 3</b> Draw the same rectangle as in Step 1, but with only 3 equal parts. Keep the same amount of the rectangle shaded.						
The rectangle is now divided into 3 equal parts, with 1 part shaded.						
The model shows the fraction $\frac{1}{3}$ . So, $\frac{2}{6}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ are equivalent.						

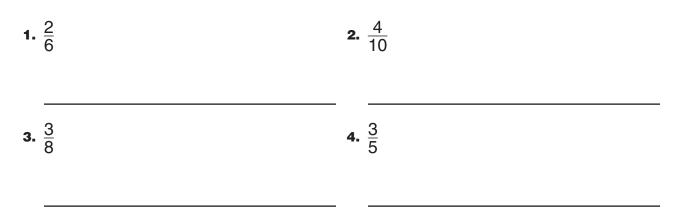
### Use models to write two equivalent fractions.

$\frac{4}{6}$

## **Generate Equivalent Fractions**

	se a whole number, like 2.
	e a fraction using 2 as the numerator and denominator: $\frac{2}{2}$ . s equal to 1. You can multiply a number by 1 without changing ne number.
Step 3 Multip	$y\frac{4}{5} by \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{4 \times 2}{5 \times 2} = \frac{8}{10}.$
So, $\frac{4}{5}$ and $\frac{8}{10}$ a	are equivalent.
Write another	equivalent fraction for $\frac{4}{5}$ .
Step 1 Choos	se a different whole number, like 20.
Step 2 Create	e a fraction using 20 as the numerator and denominator: $\frac{20}{20}$ .
	$y\frac{4}{5} by \frac{20}{20} : \frac{4 \times 20}{5 \times 20} = \frac{80}{100}.$
Step 3 Multip	$\frac{1}{5}$ $\frac{5}{20}$ $\frac{1}{5 \times 20} = \frac{1}{100}$ .

### Write two equivalent fractions.



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## **Simplest Form**

A fraction is in **simplest form** when 1 is the only factor that the numerator and denominator have in common.

Tell whether the fraction  $\frac{7}{8}$  is in simplest form.

Look for common factors in the numerator and the denominator.

<b>Step 1</b> The numerator of $\frac{7}{8}$ is 7. List all the factors of 7.	$1 \times 7 = 7$
	The factors of 7 are 1 and 7.
<b>Step 2</b> The denominator of $\frac{7}{8}$ is 8. List all the factors of 8.	$ \begin{array}{l} 1 \times 8 = 8 \\ 2 \times 4 = 8 \end{array} $
	The factors of 8 are 1, 2, 4, and 8.
Step 3 Check if the numerator and	The only common factor of 7 and 8 is 1.
denominator of $\frac{7}{8}$ have any common	
factors greater than 1.	
So, $\frac{7}{8}$ is in simplest form.	

### Tell whether the fraction is in simplest form. Write yes or no.

<b>1.</b> $\frac{4}{10}$	<b>2.</b> $\frac{2}{8}$	<b>3.</b> $\frac{3}{5}$
Write the fraction in simples		
<b>4.</b> $\frac{4}{12}$	<b>5.</b> $\frac{6}{10}$	<b>6.</b> $\frac{3}{6}$

## **Common Denominators**

3 4	ommon denominators.	
Step 1 Identify the denominators	$\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$	
of $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ .	The denominators are 3 and 4.	
Step 2 List multiples of 3 and 4.	<b>3:</b> 3, 6, <u>9, (12)</u> , <u>15, 18</u>	
Circle common multiples.	<b>4:</b> 4, 8, <u>12</u> , <u>16</u> , <u>20</u>	
	$\underline{12}$ is a common multiple of 3 and 4.	
<b>Step 3</b> Rewrite $\frac{2}{3}$ as a fraction with a	$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2 \times 4}{3 \times 4} = \frac{8}{12}$	
denominator of 12.		
<b>Step 4</b> Rewrite $\frac{3}{4}$ as a fraction with a	$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3 \times 3}{4 \times 3} = \frac{9}{12}$	
denominator of 12.		

# Write the pair of fractions as a pair of fractions with a common denominator.

**1.** 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 and  $\frac{1}{3}$   
**2.**  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{5}{8}$   
**3.**  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{5}$   
**4.**  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{5}{6}$   
**5.**  $\frac{2}{5}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$   
**6.**  $\frac{4}{5}$  and  $\frac{7}{10}$ 

## Problem Solving • Find Equivalent Fractions

Kyle's mom bought bunches of balloons for a family party. Each bunch has 4 balloons, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the balloons are blue. If Kyle's mom bought 5 bunches of balloons, how many balloons did she buy? How many of the balloons are blue?

Read the Problem							
What do I need to find? I need to find how many balloons Kyle's mom bought and how many of the balloons are blue.	What information do I need to use? Each bunch has 1 out of 4 balloons that are blue, and there are 5 bunches. Solve the Problem		How will I use the information? I will make a table to find the total number balloons Kyle's mom bought and the fraction of balloons that are blue.				
I can make a table.							
Number of Bunches		1	2	3	4	5	
<b>Total Number of Blue Balloons</b>		<u>1</u> 4	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{3}{12}$	4	5	
Total Number of Balloons 4		4	8	12	16	20	
Kyle's mom bought 20 balloons. 5 of the balloons are blue.							

### Make a table to solve.

- 1. Jackie is making a beaded bracelet. The bracelet will have no more than 12 beads.  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the beads on the bracelet will be green. What other fractions could represent the part of the beads on the bracelet that will be green?
- 2. Ben works in his dad's bakery packing bagels. Each package can have no more than 16 bagels.  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the bagels in each package are plain. What other fractions could represent the part of the bagels in each package that will be plain?

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**Benchmarks** 

**Compare Fractions Using** 

Compare the fractions.  $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$ 

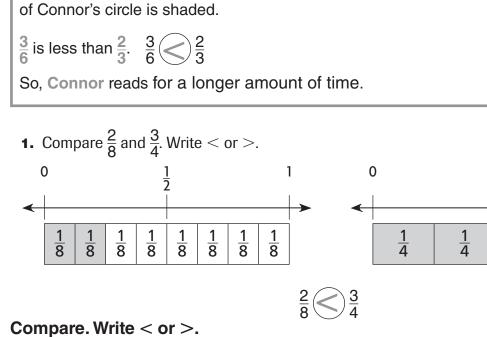
Divide another circle into 3 equal parts.

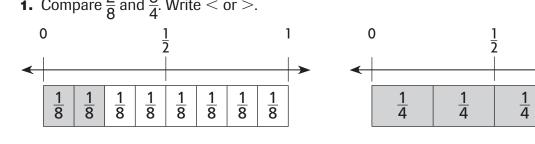
**Step 3** Shade  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the second circle.

How many parts will you shade? 2 parts

Step 4 Compare the shaded parts of each circle. Half of Sara's circle is shaded. More than half

parts will you shade? 3 parts





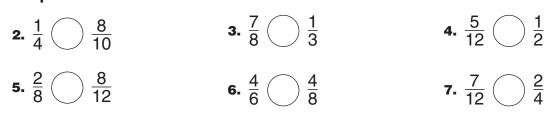
A **benchmark** is a known size or amount that helps you understand

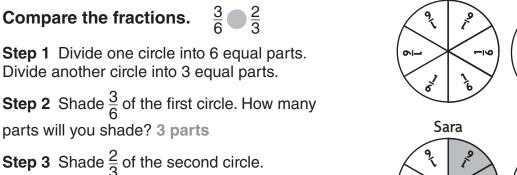
a different size or amount. You can use  $\frac{1}{2}$  as a benchmark.

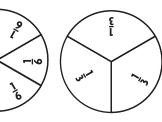
 $\frac{2}{3}$  hour. Who reads for a longer amount of time?

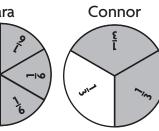
Sara reads for  $\frac{3}{6}$  hour every day after school. Connor reads for













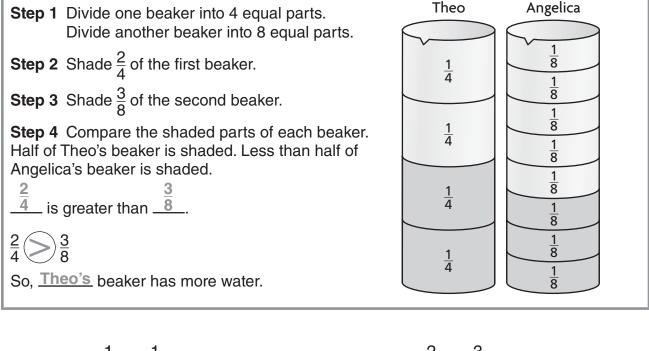
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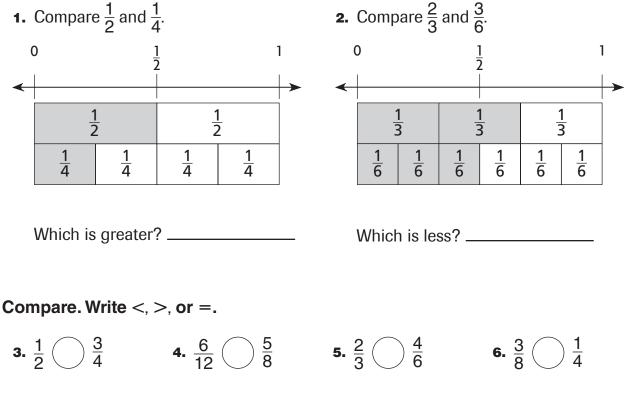
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## **Compare Fractions**

Theo filled a beaker  $\frac{2}{4}$  full with water. Angelica filled a beaker  $\frac{3}{8}$  full with water. Whose beaker has more water? **Compare**  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{8}$ .





## **Compare and Order Fractions**

Step 1 Identify a common denominator.	Multiples of 8:(8,)16, 24	
	Multiples of 4: 4,(8,)16	
	Multiples of 2: 2, 4, 6,	
	Use 8 as a common denominator.	
<b>Step 2</b> Use the common denominator to write equivalent fractions.	$\frac{\frac{3}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1 \times 2}{4 \times 2} = \frac{2}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \times 4}{2 \times 4} = \frac{4}{8}$	
Step 3 Compare the numerators.	2 < 3 < 4	
<b>Step 4</b> Order the fractions from least to greatest, using $<$ or $>$ symbols.	$\frac{2}{8} < \frac{3}{8} < \frac{4}{8}$	
So, $\frac{1}{4} < \frac{3}{8} < \frac{1}{2}$ .		

### Write the fraction with the greatest value.

<b>1.</b> $\frac{2}{3}$ , $\frac{1}{4}$ , $\frac{1}{6}$	<b>2.</b> $\frac{3}{10}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{5}$	<b>3.</b> $\frac{1}{8}$ , $\frac{5}{12}$ , $\frac{9}{10}$
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### Write the fractions in order from least to greatest.

<b>4.</b> $\frac{9}{10}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{4}{5}$	<b>5.</b> $\frac{3}{4}$ , $\frac{7}{8}$ , $\frac{1}{2}$	<b>6.</b> $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}$
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