

K-12 Mathematics Fraction Progression

Standards/Cluster

Math

Other Content Areas

1st Grade

1.G.3: Partition circles and rectangles into two and four equal shares

- Understand that as a shape is broken into more parts, decomposing the pieces from halves to fourths, the parts get smaller

- Partition shapes into $\frac{1}{2}$ s and $\frac{1}{4}$ s
- Use the vocabulary of halves, quarters, and fourths

2nd Grade

2.G.3: Partition circles and rectangles into two, three, or four equal shares

- Recognize that when a shape is cut into four equal pieces, each piece will equal one fourth of its original whole
- The whole is described as four fourth
- Understand that equal shares can be different shapes within the same whole

- Partition shapes into $\frac{1}{3}$ s
- Use the vocabulary of thirds

3rd Grade

3.NF.A: Develop understanding of fractions as numbers

- Describe the meaning of the denominator and numerator
- Understand that the larger a denominator is, the smaller the pieces will be
- Generate equivalent fractions
- Understand that fractions can be greater than 1

- Write fractions as a symbol
- Compare fractions with the same numerator or denominator
- Work with unit fractions
- Fractions on a number line

4th Grade

4.NF: Number & Operations-Fractions

- Compare fractions using a variety of representations
- Compose and decompose fractions into unit fractions
- Use manipulatives and models to solve a variety of fraction problems involving:
 - Addition & subtraction
 - Multiplication of a fraction and a whole number
- Use decimal notation for fractions with denominators of 10 or 100

- Find & recognize equivalent fractions
- Add and subtract fractions with like denominators

5th Grade

5.NF: Number & Operations-Fractions

- Understand the need for and find common denominators when adding and subtracting fractions
- Determine a procedure for multiplying fractions
- Solve division problems where the remainder is interpreted as a fraction
- Find the area of rectangles with fractional side lengths
- Understand multiplication as scaling
- Divide unit fractions and whole numbers

- Add, subtract, & multiply fractions
- Understand and interpret fractional remainders in division

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6th Grade

6.NS.A: Apply and extend previous understanding of multiplication and division to divide fractions by fractions

- Model division of fractions with manipulatives, visual diagrams, and word problems
- Interpret what the quotient represents in mathematical and real-world problems

- Multiply or divide fractions in context (you are making $\frac{1}{2}$ recipe that calls for $2\frac{1}{4}$ cups, or 3 recipes that call for $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp)

7th Grade

7.NS.A: Apply and extend previous understandings of operations with fractions to add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers.

- Add & Subtract rational numbers
- Multiply and Divide rational numbers
- Use $p \div q$ and $\frac{p}{q}$ notations interchangeably
- Simplify complex fractions by recognizing them as division

- Use all four operations with fractions
- Convert fractions to decimals
- Recognize fraction forms of common decimals

8th Grade

8.NS.1: Understand informally that every number has a decimal expansion

- Convert decimal expansions into equivalent fractions using an algorithm
- Use strategies other than conversions for some decimal expansions; for example repeating patterns

- Recall common fraction conversions to decimals and percents

High School

N.RN.A: Extend the properties of exponents to rational exponents

- Calculate interest based on various compounding periods
- Convert between radical and exponential forms

- Explain the meaning of rational exponents within finance
- Recognize rational exponents to solve equations involving squares or cubes

- The standards identified are representative of the focus at each grade level to demonstrate the developmental nature of our Learning Standards
- The math skills listed are applicable within the context of the identified standards but do not offer a comprehensive list of skills they describe
- The other content areas are examples to provide possible uses of the math skills within the listed standards

