

Grade 5 Unit 6

Lesson 9

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Unit 6 Lesson 9: Use Equivalent Expressions

WU True or False: Fraction Addition and Subtraction (Warm up)

Student Task Statement

Decide if each statement is true or false. Be prepared to explain your reasoning.

- \bullet $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$
- $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{4}$
- $\frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4}$

1 Equal Sums

Student Task Statement

- 1. Explain or show why each expression is equivalent to $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{10}{12}$.
 - $\circ \frac{8}{12} + \frac{10}{12}$
 - $\circ \frac{4}{6} + \frac{5}{6}$
- 2. Find the value of the expression $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{10}{12}$. Explain or show your reasoning.

2 Find the Value of the Difference

Student Task Statement

- 1. Find the value of the expression $\frac{16}{12} \frac{3}{6}$. Explain or show your reasoning.
- 2. Compare your strategy with your partner's strategy. What is the same? What is different?

3 Grow Plants (Optional)

Student Task Statement

Jada and Andre compare the growth of their plants. Jada's plant grew $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches since last week. Andre's plant grew $\frac{7}{8}$ inches. How much more did Jada's plant grow? Explain or show your reasoning.