

Lesson 8: Equivalent Fractions on the Number Line

• Let's use number lines to reason about equivalent fractions.

Warm-up: Estimation Exploration: A Shaded Portion

If the entire diagram represents 1 whole, about what fraction is shaded?



Make an estimate that is:

too low	about right	too high

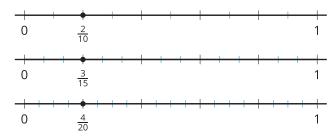


8.1: Handy Number Lines

Andre used number lines to find fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{1}{5}$. He drew this number line:



Then, he drew three more lines and wrote a fraction for the point on each line:



- 1. How did Andre use the number lines to find fractions equivalent to $\frac{1}{5}$? Explain your thinking to a partner.
- 2. How can number lines be used to show whether the following fractions are equivalent?

a.
$$\frac{8}{10}$$
 and $\frac{4}{5}$

b.
$$\frac{14}{20}$$
 and $\frac{4}{5}$

3. Find three fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{6}{5}$. Explain or show how Andre's number lines can help.

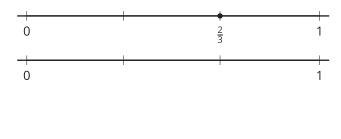


8.2: Can It Be Done?

1. Priya wants to find fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{2}{3}$, other than $\frac{4}{6}$. She wonders if she can find equivalent fractions with denominator 9, 10, and 12.

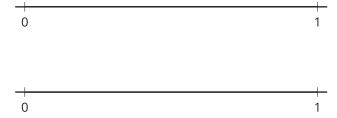
9 10 12

Can it be done? Use number lines to show your reasoning.





2. Represent $\frac{1}{10}$ on a number line. Then, find two fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{1}{10}$. How would you use the number line to show that they are equivalent to $\frac{1}{10}$?



3. Can you find an equivalent fraction for $\frac{1}{10}$ with 100 for the denominator? Explain or show your reasoning.

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