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Addition and Subtraction of Fractions

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OVERVIEW

In Module 3, students’ understanding of addition and subtraction of fractions extends from earlier work with fraction equivalence and decimals. This module marks a significant shift away from the elementary grades’ centrality of base ten units to the study and use of the full set of fractional units from Grade 5 forward, especially as applied to algebra.

In Topic A, students revisit the foundational Grade 4 standards addressing equivalence. When equivalent, fractions represent the same amount of area of a rectangle, the same point on the number line. These equivalencies can also be represented symbolically.

Furthermore, equivalence is evidenced when adding fractions with the same denominator. The sum may be decomposed into parts (or re-composed into an equal sum). For example:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{2}{3} &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \\
\frac{7}{8} &= \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} \\
\frac{6}{2} &= \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3 \\
\frac{8}{5} &= \frac{5}{5} + \frac{3}{5} = 1 \frac{3}{5} \\
\frac{7}{3} &= \frac{6}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \times \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \frac{1}{3}
\end{align*}
\]

This is also carrying forward work with decimal place value from Modules 1 and 2, confirming that like units can be composed and decomposed.

5 tenths + 7 tenths = 12 tenths = 1 and 2 tenths
5 eighths + 7 eighths = 12 eighths = 1 and 4 eighths
In Topic B, students move forward to see that fraction addition and subtraction is analogous to whole number addition and subtraction. Students add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators \((5.NF.1)\) by replacing different fractional units with an equivalent fraction or like unit.

\[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{3}{12} + \frac{8}{12} = \frac{11}{12}
\]

This is not a new concept but certainly a new level of complexity. Students have added equivalent or like units since kindergarten, adding frogs to frogs, ones to ones, tens to tens, etc.

\[
1 \text{ boy} + 2 \text{ girls} = 1 \text{ child} + 2 \text{ children} = 3 \text{ children}
\]

\[
1 \text{ liter} - 375 \text{ mL} = 1,000 \text{ mL} - 375 \text{ mL} = 625 \text{ mL}
\]

Throughout the module, a concrete to pictorial to abstract approach is used to convey this simple concept. Topic A uses paper strips and number line diagrams to clearly show equivalence. After a brief concrete introduction with folding paper, Topic B primarily uses the rectangular fractional model because it is useful for creating smaller like units via partitioning (e.g., thirds and fourths are changed to twelfths to create equivalent fractions as in the diagram below.) In Topic C, students move away from the pictorial altogether as they are empowered to write equations clarified by the model.

\[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{(1 \times 3)}{4 \times 3} + \frac{8}{12} = \frac{11}{12}
\]

Topic C also uses the number line when adding and subtracting fractions greater than or equal to 1 so that students begin to see and manipulate fractions in relation to larger whole numbers and to each other. The number line takes fractions into the larger set of whole numbers. For example, “Between what two whole numbers will the sum of \(1 \frac{3}{4}\) and \(5 \frac{3}{5}\) lie?”

\[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{5} \quad \frac{8}{12} + \frac{8}{12} = \frac{11}{12}
\]

\[
\text{ ___} < 1 \frac{3}{4} + 5 \frac{3}{5} < \text{ ___}
\]
This leads to understanding of and skill with solving more interesting problems, often embedded within multi-step word problems:

Cristina and Matt’s goal is to collect a total of 3 ¼ gallons of sap from the maple trees. Cristina collected 1 ¾ gallons. Matt collected 5 3/5 gallons. By how much did they beat their goal?

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{goal} &\quad \text{3} \frac{3}{4} \text{ gal} \quad + \quad \text{5} \frac{3}{5} \text{ gal} \\
\text{collected} &\quad \text{1} \frac{3}{4} \text{ gal} + \frac{3}{5} \text{ gal} - \frac{1}{2} \text{ gal} = 3 + \frac{3 \times 5}{4 \times 5} + \frac{3 \times 4}{5 \times 4} - \frac{1 \times 10}{2 \times 10} \\
&= 3 + \frac{15}{20} + \frac{12}{20} - \frac{10}{20} = 3 \frac{17}{20} \text{ gal}
\end{align*}
\]

Cristina and Matt beat their goal by 3 \(\frac{17}{20}\) gallons.

Word problems are part of every lesson. Students are encouraged to draw bar diagrams, which allow analysis of the same part–whole relationships they have worked with since Grade 1.

In Topic D, students strategize to solve multi-term problems and more intensely assess the reasonableness both of their solutions to word problems and their answers to fraction equations (5.NF.2).

“I know my answer makes sense because the total amount of sap they collected is going to be about 7 and a half gallons. Then, when we subtract 3 gallons, that is about 4 and a half. Then, 1 half less than that is about 4. \(3 \frac{17}{20}\) is just a little less than 4.”

The Mid-Module Assessment follows Topic B. The End-of-Module Assessment follows Topic D.
Focus Grade Level Standards

Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions.¹

5.NF.1 Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators (including mixed numbers) by replacing given fractions with equivalent fractions in such a way as to produce an equivalent sum or difference of fractions with like denominators. For example, \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{4} = \frac{8}{12} + \frac{15}{12} = \frac{23}{12} \). (In general, \( \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad + bc}{bd} \)).

5.NF.2 Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole, including cases of unlike denominators, e.g., by using visual fraction models or equations to represent the problem. Use benchmark fractions and number sense of fractions to estimate mentally and assess the reasonableness of answers. For example, recognize an incorrect result \( \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{7} \), by observing that \( \frac{3}{7} < \frac{1}{2} \).

Foundational Standards

4.NF.1 Explain why a fraction \( \frac{a}{b} \) is equivalent to a fraction \( \frac{n \times a}{n \times b} \) by using visual fraction models, with attention to how the number and size of the parts differ even though the two fractions themselves are the same size. Use this principle to recognize and generate equivalent fractions.

4.NF.3 Understand a fraction \( \frac{a}{b} \) with \( a > 1 \) as a sum of fractions \( \frac{1}{b} \).
   a. Understand addition and subtraction of fractions as joining and separating parts referring to the same whole.
   b. Decompose a fraction into a sum of fractions with the same denominator in more than one way, recording each decomposition by an equation. Justify decompositions, e.g., by using a visual fraction model. Examples: \( \frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} ; \frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2}{8} ; \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{8}{8} + \frac{8}{8} + \frac{1}{8} \).
   c. Add and subtract mixed numbers with like denominators, e.g., by replacing each mixed number with an equivalent fraction, and/or by using properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction.
   d. Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole and having like denominators, e.g., by using visual fraction models and equations to represent the problem.

Focus Standards for Mathematical Practice

MP.2 Reason abstractly and quantitatively. Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate

¹ Examples in this module also include tenths and hundredths in fraction and decimal form.
the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

**MP.3 Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.** Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases, and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose. Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and—if there is a flaw in argument—explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams, and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grade levels can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.

**MP.4 Model with mathematics.** Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community. By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later. They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts, and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

**MP.5 Use appropriate tools strategically.** Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making
mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

**MP.6**  
**Attend to precision.** Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

**MP.7**  
**Look for and make use of structure.** Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see 7 × 8 equals the well remembered 7 × 5 + 7 × 3, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression x² + 9x + 14, older students can see the 14 as 2 × 7 and the 9 as 2 + 7. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see 5 – 3(x – y)² as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers x and y.

**Overview of Module Topics and Lesson Objectives**

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|Total Number of Instructional Days | 22 |

**Terminology**

**New or Recently Introduced Terms**

- Benchmark fraction (e.g., $1/2$ is a benchmark fraction when comparing $1/3$ and $3/5$)
- Unlike denominators (e.g., $1/8$ and $1/7$)
- Like denominators (e.g., $1/8$ and $5/8$)
Familiar Terms and Symbols

- $<$, $>$, =
- Denominator (denotes the fractional unit: fifths in 3 fifths, which is abbreviated to the 5 in $\frac{3}{5}$)
- Numerator (denotes the count of fractional units: 3 in 3 fifths or 3 in $\frac{3}{5}$)
- Whole unit (e.g., any unit that is partitioned into smaller, equally sized fractional units)
- Fractional unit (e.g., the fifth unit in 3 fifths denoted by the denominator 5 in $\frac{3}{5}$)
- Number sentence (e.g., “Three plus seven equals ten.” Usually written as “$3 + 7 = 10$.”)
- Meter, kilometer, centimeter, liter, kiloliter, gram, kilogram, feet, mile, yard, inch, gallon, quart, pint, cup, pound, ounce, hour, minute, second
- More than halfway and less than halfway
- One tenth of (e.g., $\frac{1}{10} \times 250$)
- Fraction (e.g., 3 fifths or $\frac{3}{5}$)
- Between (e.g., $\frac{1}{2}$ is between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{5}$)
- Fraction written in the largest possible unit (e.g., $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{1 \times 3}{2 \times 3} = \frac{1}{2}$ or 1 three out of 2 threes = $\frac{1}{2}$)
- Equivalent fraction (e.g., $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{6}{10}$)
- Tenth ($\frac{1}{10}$ or 0.1)
- Hundredth ($\frac{1}{100}$ or 0.01)
- Fraction greater than or equal to 1 (e.g., $\frac{7}{3}$, $3 \frac{1}{2}$, an abbreviation for $3 + \frac{1}{2}$)

Suggested Tools and Representations

- Paper strips (for modeling equivalence)
- Number line (a variety of templates)
- Rectangular fraction model
- Fraction strips
- Bar diagrams

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2 These are terms and symbols students have seen previously.
Scaffolds

The scaffolds integrated into A Story of Units give alternatives for how students access information as well as express and demonstrate their learning. Strategically placed margin notes are provided within each lesson elaborating on the use of specific scaffolds at applicable times. They address many needs presented by English language learners, students with disabilities, students performing above grade level, and students performing below grade level. Many of the suggestions are applicable to more than one population. The charts included in Module 1 provide a general overview of the lesson-aligned scaffolds, organized by Universal Design for Learning (UDL) principles. To read more about the approach to differentiated instruction in A Story of Units, please refer to “How to Implement A Story of Units.”

Assessment Summary

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3 Students with disabilities may require Braille, large print, audio, or special digital files. Please visit the website, www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/aim, for specific information on how to obtain student materials that satisfy the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard (NIMAS) format.
Topic A
Equivalent Fractions

**4.NF.1, 4.NF.3c, 4.NF.3d**

**Focus Standard:** 4.NF.1

Explain why a fraction a/b is equivalent to a fraction (n x a)/(n x b) by using visual fraction models, with attention to how the number and size of the parts differ even though the two fractions themselves are the same size. Use this principle to recognize and generate equivalent fractions.

**Instructional Days:** 2

**Coherence - Links from:**
- G4–M5 Fraction Equivalence, Ordering, and Operations

**Links to:**
- G5–M4 Multiplication and Division of Fractions and Decimal Fractions
- G6–M3 Rational Numbers

In Topic A, students revisit the foundational Grade 4 standards addressing equivalence. When equivalent, fractions can be represented by the same amount of area of a rectangle and by the same point on a number line. Areas are subdivided. Lengths on the number line are divided into smaller equal lengths. On the number line below there are 4 x 3 parts of equal length. From both the area model and the number line it can be seen that 2 thirds is equivalent to 8 twelfths.

This equivalence can also be represented symbolically.

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$$\frac{8}{5} = \frac{5}{5} + \frac{3}{5} = 1 \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{7}{3} = \frac{6}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \times \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \frac{1}{3}$$

In Lesson 1, students analyze what is happening to the units when an equivalent fraction is being made by changing larger units for smaller ones, honing their ability to look for and make use of structure (MP.7). They study the area model to make generalizations, transferring that back onto the number line as they see the same process occurring there within the lengths.

### A Teaching Sequence Towards Mastery of Equivalent Fractions

**Objective 1:** Make equivalent fractions with the number line, the area model, and numbers.  
(Lesson 1)

**Objective 2:** Make equivalent fractions with sums of fractions with like denominators.  
(Lesson 2)
Lesson 1
Objective: Make equivalent fractions with the number line, the area model, and numbers.

Suggested Lesson Structure
- Fluency Practice (11 minutes)
- Application Problem (9 minutes)
- Concept Development (30 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)
Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (11 minutes)
- Sprint 4.OA.4 (9 minutes)
- Skip Counting by 1/4 Hour 5.MD.1 (2 minutes)

Sprint (9 minutes)
Materials: (S) Write the Missing Factor Sprint

Skip-Counting by 1/4 Hour (2 minutes)
T: Let’s count by 1/4 hours. (Rhythmically point up until a change is desired. Show a closed hand and then point down. Continue, mixing it up.)
S: 1/4 hour, 2/4 hour, 3/4 hour, 1 hour (stop) 1 1/4 hour, 1 2/4 hour, 1 3/4 hour, 2 hours (stop).

Application Problem (9 minutes)
15 kilograms of rice are separated equally into 4 containers. How many kilograms of rice are in each container? Express your answer as a decimal and as a fraction.
T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: Share with your partner: What do you see when you hear the story? What can you draw?
S: (Students share with partners.)
T: I’ll give you one minute to draw.
T: Explain to your partner what your drawing shows.
T: (After a brief exchange.) What’s the total weight of the rice?
S: 15 kilograms.
T: 15 kilograms are being split equally into how many containers?
S: 4 containers.
T: So the whole is being split into how many units?
S: 4 units.
T: To find 1 container or 1 unit, we have to?
S: Divide.
T: Tell me the division sentence.
S: 15 ÷ 4.
T: Solve the problem on your personal white board. Write your answer both in decimal form and as a whole number and a decimal fraction. (Pause.) Show your board.
T: Turn and explain to your partner how you got the answer. 15 ÷ 4 = 3.75
T: (After students share.) Show the division equation with both answers.
S: 15 ÷ 4 = 3.75 = 3 \frac{75}{100}.
T: Another fraction equivalent to 75 hundredths is?
S: 3 fourths.
T: Also write your answer as a whole number and a fraction.
S: 15 ÷ 4 = 3.75 = 3 \frac{75}{100} = 3 \frac{3}{4}.
T: So 3 and 3 fourths equals 3 and 75 hundredths.
T: Tell me your statement containing the answer.
S: Each container holds 3.75 kg or 3 \frac{3}{4} kg of rice.

Concept Development (30 minutes)

Materials: (S) 4 Paper strips sized 4 1/4 x 1 per student (vertically cut an 8 ½” x 11” paper down the middle)

Problem 1
T: Take your paper strip. Hold it horizontally. Fold it vertically down the middle. How many equal parts do you have in the whole?
S: 2.
T: What fraction of the whole is 1 part?
S: 1 half.
T: Draw a line to show where you folded your paper and label each half 1/2, one out of 2 units.
T: As you did in fourth grade, take about 2 minutes to make paper strips to also show thirds, fourths, and fifths.
T: (After about 3 minutes to make the paper strips.) Draw a number line that is a little longer than your paper strip. Use your strip as a ruler to mark zero and 1 above the line.
T: (After doing so.) Make about an inch by inch square beneath your line. This is representing the same 1 whole as the number line. For today, show half by vertically dividing the square. Shade 1 half on the left.
T: (After discussion.) Draw another square to the right of that one. Shade it in the same way to represent 1/2.
T: Partition it horizontally across the middle.
T: What fraction is shaded now?
S: 1/2 or 2/4.
T: (Record numerically referring to the picture) 1 group of 2 out of two groups of 2.

\[
\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \text{ group of two}}{2 \text{ group of two}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 2} = \frac{2}{4}
\]

T: Explain how we have represented the equivalent fractions to your part.
T: Show me \(\frac{2}{4}\) on the number line. (Students show.) Yes, it is the exact same number as 1 half, the exact same point on the number line.
T: Work with your partner to draw another congruent
square with 1 half shaded. This time partition it horizontally into 3 equal units (2 lines) and record the equivalent fraction as we did on the first example. If you finish early, continue the pattern.

Problem 2

Make fractions equal to \(\frac{1}{3}\).

This problem allows students to repeat the procedure with thirds, another benchmark fraction. As needed for your students, you might repeat the process thoroughly as outlined in Problem 1. Work with a small group as others work independently, or let them try it with a partner. It is not necessary for all students to complete the same amount of work. Move on to Problem 3 after about 4 minutes on Problem 2.

Note in the drawing to the right that 6 ninths is shown to be equal to 4 sixths. Go back and make sure this point is clear with 2 sixths, 3 ninths, and 4 twelfths.

Problem 3

Make fractions equal to \(\frac{2}{3}\).

The next complexity is working with a non-unit fraction.

Problem 4

Make fractions equal to \(\frac{5}{4}\).

The final complexity prior to working independently is to model a fraction greater than 1. The same exact process is used. Rectangles are used in the example just to break rigidity. This is not unique to squares!
**Problem Set (10 minutes)**

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. This is an intentional reduction of scaffolding that invokes MP.5, Use Appropriate Tools Strategically. Students should solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems students should work on first. With this option, let the careful sequencing of the Problem Set guide your selections so that problems continue to be scaffolded. Balance word problems with other problem types to ensure a range of practice. Assign incomplete problems for homework or at another time during the day.

**Student Debrief (10 minutes)**

*Lesson Objective:* Make equivalent fractions with the number line, the area model, and numbers.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Looking at your Problem Set, which fractions are equal to 1/3?

S: \(\frac{2}{6}, \frac{3}{9}, \frac{4}{12}, \frac{5}{15}\)

T: Continue the pattern beyond those on the Problem Set with your partner.

T: (After a moment.) Continue the pattern chorally.

S: \(\frac{6}{18}, \frac{7}{21}, \frac{8}{24}, \frac{9}{27}, \frac{10}{30}\)

T: Is \(\frac{10}{30}\) equal to 1/3?

S: Yes.
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T: How can we know if a fraction is equal to 1 third without drawing?
S: When you multiply the numerator by 3, you get the denominator. \( \rightarrow \) When you divide the denominator by 3 you get the numerator. \( \rightarrow \) The total number of equal pieces is 3 times the number of selected equal pieces.

T: In the next minute, write as many other fractions as you can that are equal to 1 third on your personal white board.
T: What do we know about all these fractions when we look at the number line?
S: They are the exact same point.
T: So there are an infinite number of fractions equivalent to 1/3?
S: Yes!
T: The fraction 1/3 is one number, just like the number two or three. It is not two numbers, just this one point on the number line.

More quickly repeat the process of generating equivalent fractions to 3 fourths and 5 sixths.

T: Discuss with your partner what is happening to the pieces, the units, when the numerator and denominator are getting larger.
S: The parts are getting smaller. \( \rightarrow \) The equal pieces are being replaced by smaller equal pieces, but the area of the fraction is staying the same. \( \rightarrow \) The units are being partitioned into smaller equal units. The value of the fraction is exactly the same.
T: What would that look like, were we to see it on the number line?
S: The length would be divided into smaller and smaller parts.
T: Discuss with your partner what the new smaller unit will be when I divide each of the lengths of 1 fourth into 3 smaller parts of equal length (use the fourths number line from earlier in the lesson). Compare it to the corresponding picture on your Problem Set.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

These number lines and “squares” are informal sketches, not precise. Avoid rulers and graph paper so that students get accustomed to realizing that these images are not intended to be perfect but symbolic. The lines represent straight lines. The thirds perfectly equal parts. The Problem Set has squares drawn in to expedite the movement to the abstract number. It is highly preferable to start with hand drawn squares so that students do not get the mistaken impression that drawings have to be perfect to empower them. A mental schema is developing, not an attachment to the drawing.

T: On your Problem Set, divide the lengths of 1 third into 5 equal smaller units. Think about what is happening to the units, to the length and to the name of the fraction. Close your lesson by discussing connections between the number line, the area model, and the equivalent fractions with your partner.
Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Lesson 1 Problem Set

Equivalent Fractions

1. Use your folded paper strip to mark the points 0 and 1 above the number line \( \frac{0}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{2} \) below.

Draw one vertical line down the middle of each rectangle, creating two parts. Shade the left half of each. Partition with horizontal lines to show the equivalent fractions \( \frac{2}{4}, \frac{3}{6}, \frac{4}{8}, \frac{5}{10} \). Use multiplication to show the change in the units.

\[
\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 2} = \frac{2}{4}
\]

2. Use your folded paper strip to mark the points 0 and 1 above the number line \( \frac{0}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{3} \) below.

Follow the same pattern as Problem 1, but with thirds.
3. Continue the pattern with 3 fourths.

4. Continue the process with 6 fifths. Do just 2 examples.
1. Estimate to mark the points 0 and 1 above the number line \( \frac{0}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{6}, \frac{3}{6}, \frac{4}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{6}{6} \) below. Use the squares below to represent fractions equivalent to \( \frac{1}{6} \) using both arrays and equations.

\[
\frac{1}{6} = \frac{1 \times 2}{6 \times 2} = \frac{3}{9}
\]
1. Use your folded paper strip to mark the points 0 and 1 above the number line below.

Draw two vertical lines to break each rectangle into thirds. Shade the left third of each. Partition with horizontal lines to show equivalent fractions. Use multiplication to show the change in the units.

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{1}{3} &= \frac{1 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{2}{6} \\
\end{align*}
\]

2. Use your folded paper strip to mark the points 0 and 1 above the number line below. Follow the same pattern as Problem 1 but with fourths.
3. Continue the pattern with 4 fifths.

4. Continue the process with 9 eighths. Estimate to make the points on the number line. Do just 2 examples.
Lesson 2

Objective: Make equivalent fractions with sums of fractions with like denominators.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (12 minutes)
- Application Problem (8 minutes)
- Concept Lesson (30 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Equivalent Fractions 5.NF.1 (3 minutes)
- Sprint 4.NF.1 (9 minutes)

Equivalent Fractions (3 minutes)

T: (Write.) \( \frac{1}{2} = \)
T: Say the fraction.
S: One half.

T: (Write.) \( \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} \)
T: One half is how many fourths?
S: Two fourths.

Continue with possible sequence:

\[
\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6} \quad \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{6} \quad \frac{2}{3} = \frac{12}{18} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{3}{16} \quad \frac{5}{25}
\]

T: (Write.) \( \frac{1}{2} = \)
T: Say the fraction.
S: One half.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Equivalent Fractions is intentionally placed before the Sprint because it reviews the Sprint skill. Meet the needs of your students by adjusting the amount of time you spend on it. If you find that students struggle to complete Sprint A, you may want to do another minute or two of Equivalent Fractions before moving them on to Sprint B.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

Adjusting number words and correctly pronouncing them as fractions (fifths, sixths, etc.) may be challenging. If you have many ELLs, before starting you might quickly count together to practice enunciating word endings: halves, thirds, fourths, fifths, sixths, etc.
T: (Write.) \( \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} \)

T: One half or one part of two is the same as two parts of what unit?
S: Fourths.

Continue with possible sequence:

\[
\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{2}{4} \quad \frac{3}{6} \quad \frac{4}{8} \quad \frac{5}{10} \quad \frac{6}{12} \quad \frac{7}{14} \quad \frac{8}{16}
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**Sprint (9 minutes)**

Materials: (S) Find the Missing Numerator or Denominator Sprint

**Application Problem (8 minutes)**

Mr. Hopkins has a 1 meter wire he is using to make clocks. Each fourth meter is marked off with 5 smaller equal lengths. If Mr. Hopkins bends the wire at \( \frac{3}{4} \) meter, what fraction of the marks is that?

T: (After the students have solved the problem, possibly using the RDW process independently or in partners.) Let’s look at two of your solutions and compare them.

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Mr. Hopkins bent the wire at \( \frac{3}{4} \) m or at \( \frac{15}{20} \) of the marks.
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T: When you look at these two solutions side by side what do you see? (You might use the following set of questions to help students compare the solutions as a whole class, or to encourage inter-partner communication as you circulate while they compare.)

- What did each of these students draw?
- What conclusions can you make from their drawings?
- How did they record their solutions numerically?
- How does the tape diagram relate to the number line?
- What does the tape diagram/number line clarify?
- What does the equation clarify?
- How could the statement with the number line be rephrased to answer the question?

**Concept Development (30 minutes)**

**Materials:** (S) Blank paper

**Problem 1**

\[
\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}
\]

1 third + 1 third = 2 thirds

T: On a number line, mark the end points as zero and 1. Between zero and 1 estimate to make three parts of equal length and label them with their fractional value.

T: (After students work.) On your number line, show 1 third plus 1 third with arrows designating lengths. (Demonstrate and then pause as students work).

T: The answer is?

S: 2 thirds.

T: Talk to your partner. Express this as a multiplication equation and as an addition sentence.

S: \[
\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}
\]

T: Following the same pattern of adding unit fractions by joining lengths, show 3 fourths on a number line.
Problem 2

\[
\frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8}
\]

3 eighths + 3 eighths + 1 eighth

T: On a number line, again mark the end points as zero and one. Between zero and one, estimate to make 8 parts of equal length. This time only label what is necessary to show 3 eighths.

T: (After students work.) Represent 3 eighths + 3 eighths + 1 eighth on your number line.

T: The answer is?

S: 7 eighths.

T: Talk to your partner. Express this as a multiplication equation and as an addition equation.

S: \[
\frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \left(2 \times \frac{3}{8}\right) + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}
\]

Problem 3

\[
\frac{6}{2} = \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
\]

6 halves = 3 x 2 halves = 3 ones = 3

T: On a number line, mark the end points as 0 halves and 6 halves below the number line. Estimate to make 6 parts of equal length. This time only label 2 halves.

T: (After students work.) Record the whole number equivalents above the line.

T: Represent 3 x 2 halves on your number line.

T: (After students have worked) The answer is?

S: 6 halves or 3.

T: 3. What is the unit?

S: 3 ones.

T: Talk to your partner. Express this as an addition equation and as a multiplication equation.

S: \[
\frac{6}{2} = \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} = 3 \times \frac{2}{2} = 3
\]
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Problem 4

\[ \frac{8}{5} = \frac{5}{5} + \frac{3}{5} = 1 \frac{3}{5} \]

8 fifths = 5 fifths + 3 fifths = 1 and 3 fifths

T: Use a number line. Mark the end points as 0 fifths and 10 fifths below it. Estimate and give a value to the halfway point.

T: What will be the value of the halfway point?

S: 5 fifths.

T: Make 10 parts of equal length from 0 fifths to 10 fifths.

T: (After students work.) Record the whole number equivalents above the line.

T: (After students work.) Label 8 fifths on your number line.

T: Show 8 fifths as the sum of 5 fifths and 3 fifths on your number line.

S: (After students work.)

T: Talk to your partner. Express this as an addition equation in two ways: as the sum of fifths and as the sum of a whole number and fifths.

T: (After students work.) Another way of expressing 1 plus 3 fifths is?

S: 1 and 3 fifths.

S: \[ \frac{6}{2} = \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} = 3 \times \frac{2}{2} = 3 \]

T: 8 fifths is between what 2 whole numbers?

S: 1 and 2.

Problem 5

\[ \frac{7}{3} = \frac{6}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \times \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \frac{1}{3} \]

7 thirds = 6 thirds + 1 third = 2 and 1 third.

T: Use a number line. Mark the end points as 0 thirds and 9 thirds below the number line. Divide the whole length into three equal smaller lengths and mark their values using thirds. Work with a partner.

T: (After students work). What are the values of those points?
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S: 3 thirds and 6 thirds.
T: Mark the whole number equivalents above the line.
T: (After students work.) Divide each of those whole number lengths into three smaller lengths. Mark the number 7 thirds.
T: (After students work.) Show 7 thirds as two units of 3 thirds and one more third on your number line and in an equation. Work together if you get stuck.
T: (After working and dialogue) 7 thirds is between what two whole numbers?
S: 2 and 3.

Problem Set (10 minutes)

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Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Making equivalent fractions with sums of fractions with like denominators.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Come to the Debrief and bring your Problem Set. Compare your work to your neighbor’s. On which problems do you have different answers? Discuss your differences. Both may be correct.
T: (After about 3 minutes.)
T: What is a way to express 3/7 as a sum?
S: 1 sevenths + 1 seventh + 1 seventh.
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T: Another way?
S: 2 sevenths + 1 seventh.
T: These are equivalent forms of 3 sevenths.
T: On your Problem Set find and talk to your partner about different equivalent forms of your numbers.
S: 6 sevenths could be expressed as 3 sevenths + 3 sevenths or as 3 times 2 sevenths. → 9 sevenths can be expressed as 1 + 2 sevenths. → 7 fourths can be expressed as 2 times 3 fourths + 1 fourth. → 1 and 3 fourths can be expressed as 7 fourths. → 32 sevenths can be expressed as 28 sevenths + 4 sevenths or 4 and 4 sevenths.
T: I’m hearing you express these numbers in many equivalent forms. Why do you think I chose to use the tool of the number line in this lesson? Talk this over with your partner. If you were the teacher of this lesson, why might you use the number line?
T: (After students discuss.) When we were studying decimal place value, we saw that 9 tenths + 3 tenths equal to 12 tenths or 1 + 2 tenths or 1 and 2 tenths.
T: Once more, please review the solution and number line you made for question 4 about Marisela’s ribbon. Discuss the equivalence of 20 eighths and 2 and 4 eighths as it relates to the number line.
T: (After students talk.) Discuss the relationship of the equivalence of these sums.

9 tenths + 3 tenths = 12 tenths = 1 + 2 tenths = 1 \frac{1}{10}.

9 elevenths + 3 elevenths = 12 elevenths = 1 + 1 eleventh = 1 \frac{1}{11}.

T: (After students talk.) Yes, our place value system is another example of equivalence.

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
Lesson 2 Sprint

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### Lesson 2 Sprint

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Lesson 2 Problem Set

Show each expression on a number line. Solve.

1) Show each expression on a number line. Solve.
   a) \( \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \)
   b) \( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \)
   c) \( \frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{10} \)
   d) \( 2 \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \)

2) Express each fraction as the sum of two or three equal fractional parts. Rewrite each as a multiplication equation. Show letter a) on a number line.
   a) \( \frac{6}{7} \)
   b) \( \frac{9}{2} \)
   c) \( \frac{12}{10} \)
   d) \( \frac{27}{5} \)
3) Express each of the following as the sum of a whole number and a fraction. Show c) and d) on number lines.

a) \( \frac{9}{7} \)  

b) \( \frac{9}{2} \)

c) \( \frac{32}{7} \)  

d) \( \frac{24}{9} \)

4) Marisela cut four equivalent lengths of ribbon. Each was \( \frac{5}{8} \) of a yard long. How many yards of fabric did she cut? Express your answer as the sum of a whole number and the remaining fractional units. Draw a number line to represent the problem.
1) Show each expression on a number line. Solve.

\[ \frac{5}{5} + \frac{2}{5} \quad \text{b) } \frac{6}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \]

2) Express each fraction as the sum of two or three equal fractional parts. Rewrite each as a multiplication equation. Show letter b) on a number line.

\[ \frac{6}{9} \quad \text{b) } \frac{15}{4} \]
1) Show each expression on a number line. Solve.

   a) \( \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9} \)

   b) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \)

   c) \( \frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{7} \)

   d) \( 2 \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \)

2) Express each fraction as the sum of two or three equal fractional parts. Rewrite each as a multiplication equation. Show letter a on a number line.

   a) \( \frac{6}{11} \)

   b) \( \frac{9}{4} \)

   c) \( \frac{12}{8} \)

   d) \( \frac{27}{10} \)
3) Express each of the following as the sum of a whole number and a fraction. Show c) and d) on number lines.

a) \( \frac{9}{5} \)  

b) \( \frac{7}{2} \)

c) \( \frac{25}{7} \)  

d) \( \frac{21}{9} \)

4) Natalie sawed five boards of equal length to make a stool. Each was 9 tenths of a meter long. How many meters of board did she saw? Express your answer as the sum of a whole number and the remaining fractional units. Draw a number line to represent the problem.
**Topic B**

**Making Like Units Pictorially**

5.NF.1, 5.NF.2

**Focus Standard:**

5.NF.1 Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators (including mixed numbers) by replacing given fractions with equivalent fractions in such a way as to produce an equivalent sum or difference of fractions with like denominators. For example, 2/3 + 5/4 = 8/12 + 15/12 = 23/12. (In general, a/b + c/d = (ad + bc)/bd.)

5.NF.2 Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole, including cases of unlike denominators, e.g., by using visual fraction models or equations to represent the problem. Use benchmark fractions and number sense of fractions to estimate mentally and assess the reasonableness of answers. For example, recognize an incorrect result 2/5 + 1/2 = 3/7, by observing that 3/7 < 1/2

**Instructional Days:**

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**Coherence**

- Links from: G4–M5 Fraction Equivalence, Ordering, and Operations
- Links to: G5–M4 Multiplication and Division of Fractions and Decimal Fractions
  G6–M3 Rational Numbers

In Module 3, students use the familiar rectangular fraction model to add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators.

Students make like units with all addends or both minuend and subtrahend. First, they draw a wide rectangle and partition it with vertical lines as they would a bar diagram (also known as tape diagram), representing the first fraction with a bracket and shading. They then partition a second congruent rectangle with horizontal lines to show the second fraction. Next, they partition both rectangles with matching lines to create like units.
This method requires that they see 3 units as equal to 1 half and 2 units as equal to one third. They practice making these models extensively until they internalize the process of making like units. Students use the same systematic drawing for addition and subtraction. In this manner, students are prepared to generalize with understanding to multiply the numerator and denominator by the same number. The topic closes with a lesson devoted to solving two-step word problems.

### A Teaching Sequence Towards Mastery of Making Like Units Pictorially

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Lesson 3

Objective: Add fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (12 minutes)
- Application Problem (5 minutes)
- Concept Development (33 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)
- Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Equivalent Fractions Sprint 5.NF.1 (10 minutes)
- Adding Like Fractions 5.NF.1 (1 minute)
- Fractions as Division 5.NF.3 (1 minute)

Sprint (10 minutes)

Materials: (S) Equivalent Fractions Sprint

Adding Like Fractions (1 minute)

T: Let’s add fractions mentally. Say answers as whole numbers when possible.
T: One third plus one third equals?
S: Two thirds.
T: One fourth plus one fourth equals?
S: Two fourths.
T: \(1/5 + 2/5 =\)
S: \(3/5\).
T: \(3/7 + 4/7 =\)
S: \(1\).
T: \(1/4 + 1/3 + 3/4 + 2/3 =\)
S: \(2\).

Continue and adjust to meet student needs. Use a variety of fraction combinations.
Fractions as Division (1 minute)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: When I show a fraction, you write it as a division statement.
S: (Write 3/4.)
T: (Write 5/2.)
S: (Write 5 ÷ 2 = 5/2.)

Continue with fractions that are less than and greater than one. Possible sequence: 1/3, 7/4, 5/8, 9/5, 3/10, 13/6.

Application Problem (5 minutes)

Alex squeezed 2 liters of juice for breakfast. If he pours the juice equally into 5 glasses, how many liters of juice will be in each glass? (Bonus: How many milliliters are in each glass?)

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: What is our whole?
S: 2 liters.
T: How many parts are we breaking 2 liters into?
S: 5.
T: Say your division sentence.
S: 2 liters divided by 5 equals 2/5 liter.
T: Is that less or more than one whole liter? How do you know? Tell your partner.
S: Less than a whole because 5 ÷ 5 is 1. 2 is less than 5 so you are definitely going to get less than 1. I agree because if you share 2 things with 5 people, each one is going to get a part. There isn’t enough for each person to get one whole. Less than a whole because the numerator is less than the denominator.
T: Was anyone able to do the bonus question? How many milliliters are in 2 liters?
S: 2,000.
T: What is 2,000 divided by 5?
S: 400.
T: Say a sentence for how many milliliters are in each glass.
S: 400 mL of juice will be in each glass.
Concept Development (33 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards, enough 4 1/2” x 4 1/2” paper for each student to have at least 2 (depending on how you decide to do the folding prior to drawing the rectangular array model) (T) White board

T: Let’s think back on what we learned about adding in third grade. What is 1 adult plus 3 adults?
T: (Write) 1 adult + 3 adults.
S: 4 adults.
T: 1 fifth plus 3 fifths?
S: 4 fifths.
T: We can add 1 fifth plus 3 fifths because the units are the same.
1 fifth + 3 fifths = 4 fifths
\[
\frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{4}{5}
\]
T: What is 1 child plus 3 adults? (Write 1 child + 3 adults.)
S: We can’t add children and adults.
T: Why is that? Talk to your partner about that.
S: (Students share.)
T: I heard Michael tell his partner that children and adults are not the same unit. We would need to have like units before we added. What do children and adults have in common?
S: They are people.
T: Let’s add people, not children and adults. Say the addition sentence with people.
S: 1 person + 3 people = 4 people.
T: 1 child + 3 adults = 1 person + 3 people = 4 people
T: We could also add 1 one plus 4 ones, which equals?
S: 4 ones.

Problem 1

T: Can I add 1 half plus 1 fourth? Discuss with your partner.
\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} =
\]
T: (Circulate and listen for clear reasoning.)
T: Pedro, could you share your thoughts?
S: I cannot add 1 half plus 1 fourth until the units are the same. We need to find like units.
T: Let’s first do that by folding paper. (Lead students through the process of folding illustrated below.)

T: Now let’s do a similar process by drawing.

T: (Draw a rectangle model for students.) When I make 1 whole into smaller units of 1/2 each, how many units will I have?
S: 2 units.
T: (Partition the rectangle vertically into 2 units.) One half tells me to select how many of the 2 units?
S: One.
T: Let’s label our unit with 1/2 and shade in one part. Now let’s draw another rectangle. How many parts do I need to make it show fourths?
S: Four.
T: (Partition the rectangle horizontally into 4 units.) One-fourth tells me to show how many units?
S: One.
T: Let’s label our unit with 1/4 and shade in one part. Now let’s make them show the same size units. (Draw horizontal lines on the 1/2 model and 1 vertical line on the 1/4 model.) How many units does each model have now?
S: Eight.
T: How many shaded units are in 1/2?
S: Four.
T: That’s right, we have 4 shaded units out of 8 total units. (Change the label from 1/2 to 4/8.) How many units are on the 1/4 model?
S: Two.
T: Yes, 2 shaded parts out of 8 total parts. (Change the label from 1/4 to 2/8.) Are our models now showing like units?
S: Yes!
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T: Say the addition sentence now using eighths as our common denominator.
S: 4 eighths + 2 eighths = 6 eighths.

T: We can make larger units within 6/8. Tell your partner how you might do that.
S: Two can be divided into 6 and 8. $6 \div 2 = 3$ and $8 \div 2 = 4$. $3/4$. $\rightarrow$ We can make larger units of 2 each. $3$ twos out of $4$ twos. That’s $3$ out of $4$ or $3$ fourths. $\rightarrow$ $6/8$ is partitioned into $6$ out of $8$ smaller units. It can be made into $3$ out of $4$ larger, equal pieces by grouping in $2$’s.

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}
\]

1 half + 1 fourth = 4 eighths + 2 eighths = 6 eighths = 3 fourths

Problem 2

\[
\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}
\]

In Problem 2 you can have students fold a paper again to transition into drawing, or start directly with drawing. This is a simple problem involving two unit fractions, like Problem 1. The primary purpose is to reinforce understanding of what is happening to the units within a very simple context. Problem 3 moves on to address a unit fraction plus a non-unit fraction.

T: Do our units get bigger or smaller when we create like units? Talk to your partner.
S: There are more units. $\rightarrow$ The units get smaller because it is the same amount of space but more parts. $\rightarrow$ The units are definitely getting smaller. There are more, yes. But, they are smaller. $\rightarrow$ We have to cut them up to make them the same size. $\rightarrow$ 1 unit will become 2 units. $\rightarrow$ Or we can also think of it as 1 unit will become 6 units. That’s what is happening to the half.

T: Let’s draw a diagram to help solve the problem and see if you are right.
T: Did the half become 3 smaller units and each third become 2 smaller units?
S: Yes!
T: Tell me the addition sentence.
S: 2 sixths + 3 sixths = 5 sixths.

\[
\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{6} = \frac{5}{6}
\]
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**Problem 3**

\[ \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \]

T: When we partition a rectangle into thirds, how many units will we have in all? (Draw and partition as you would a bar diagram.)

S: 3.

T: (Partition thirds vertically.) How many of those units are we selecting?

S: 2.

T: (Bracket and shade 2 thirds.) To show 1 fourth, how many units will we draw?

S: 4.

T: (Make a new rectangle of the same size and partition fourths horizontally.)

T: How many total units does this new rectangle have?

S: 4.

T: (Bracket and shade the new rectangle.)

T: Let’s make these units the same size. (Partition the rectangles so the units are equal.)

T: What is the fractional value of 1 unit?

S: 1 twelfth.

T: How many twelfths are equal to 2 thirds?

S: 8 twelfths.

T: (Mark 8/12 on the 2/3 diagram.) How many twelfths are equal to 1/4?

S: 3 twelfths.

T: (Mark 3/12 on the 1/4 diagram.) Say the addition sentence now using twelfths as our like unit or denominator.

S: 8 twelfths plus 3 twelfths equals 11 twelfths.

\[ \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{8}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{11}{12} \]

T: Read with me. (2 thirds + 1 fourth = 8 twelfths + 3 twelfths = 11 twelfths.)

**NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:**

For students who are confused about adding the parts together, have them cut out the parts of the second model and place them inside the first. For example, with the drawings below, have them cut out the three one-twelfths and add them to the model with 8/12, like working with a puzzle. Have them speak the sentence, “8 twelfths plus 3 twelfths equals 11 twelfths.” Repeat until the student can visualize this process without the extra step.
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T: With your partner, review the process we used to solve 2/3 + 1/4 step by step. Partner A goes first, then partner B. Use your drawing to help you.

Problem 4
\[
\frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{3}
\]

This problem adds the complexity of finding the sum of two non-unit fractions, both with the numerator of 2. Working with fractions with common numerators invites healthy reflection on the size of fifths as compared to thirds. Students can reason that while there are the same number of units (2), thirds are larger than fifths because the whole is broken into 3 parts instead of 5 parts. Therefore, there are more in each part. In addition, it can be reasoned that 2 thirds is larger than 2 fifths because when fifteenths are used for both, the number of units in 2 thirds (10) is more than the number used in 2 fifths (6). This problem also presents an opportunity to remind students about the importance of attending to precision (MP.6). When comparing fractions, care is taken to talk about the same whole amount as demonstrated by the rectangle. Such attention to precision also leads students to understand that 2 thirds of a cup is not larger than 2/5 gallon.

Problem 5
\[
\frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{3} =
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\[
\frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{6}{21} + \frac{14}{21} = \frac{20}{21}
\]

2 sevenths + 2 thirds = 6 twenty-oneths + 14 twenty-oneths = 20 twenty-oneths
Problem Set (10 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Add fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Go over the answers to your problems for 1 minute with a partner. Don’t change your work.

S: (Students work together.)

T: Now let’s correct together. I will say the addition problem, you say the answer. Problem a) 1 half plus 1 third is?

S: 5 sixths.

Continue. Then give students about 2 minutes to correct their errors as shown below.

T: Analyze the following problems. How are they related?

(a) and (b)
(a) and (c)
(b) and (d)
(d) and (f)

S: (Allow for student conversation.)

T: Steven noticed something about Problems (a) and (b). Please share.
S: The answer to (b) is smaller than (a) since you are adding only \(\frac{1}{5}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Both answers are less than 1 but (a) is much closer to 1. Problem (b) is really close to \(\frac{1}{2}\) because \(\frac{8}{16}\) would be \(\frac{1}{2}\).

T: Kara, can you share what you noticed about letters (d) and (f)?

S: I noticed that both problems used thirds and sevenths. But the numerators in (d) were 1 and the numerators in (f) were 2. Since the numerators doubled, the answer doubled from 10 twenty-oneths to 20 twenty-oneths.

T: I am glad to hear you are able to point out relationships between different problems.

T: Share with your partner about what you learned how to do today.

S: (Students share.)

T: (Help students name the objective: We learned how to add fractions that have unlike units using a rectangular fraction model to create like units.)

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Lesson 3 Problem Set

Name ___________________________________________ Date _________________

1. For the following problems, draw a picture using the rectangular fraction model and write the answer. Simplify your answer.

   a) \( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} = \) ________________________

   b) \( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} = \) ________________________

   c) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \) ________________________

   d) \( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{7} = \) ________________________

   e) \( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{5} = \) ________________________

   f) \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{7} = \) ________________________
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Solve the following problems. Draw a picture and/or write the number sentence that proves the answer. Simplify your answer.

2. Jamal used $\frac{1}{3}$ yard of ribbon to tie a package and $\frac{1}{6}$ yard of ribbon to tie a bow. How many yards of ribbon did Jamal use?

3. Over the weekend, Nolan drank $\frac{1}{6}$ quart of orange juice, and Andrea drank $\frac{3}{4}$ quart of orange juice. How many quarts did they drink together?

4. Nadia spent $\frac{1}{4}$ of her money on a shirt and $\frac{2}{5}$ of her money on new shoes. What fraction of Nadia’s money has been spent? What fraction of her money is left?
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1. Solve by drawing the rectangular fraction model.
   \[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} = \]

2. In one hour, Ed used \( \frac{2}{5} \) of the time to complete his homework and \( \frac{1}{4} \) of the time to check his email. How much time did he spend completing homework and checking email? Write your answer as a fraction. (Bonus: write the answer in minutes.)
Lesson 3 Homework

Name _____________________________ Date __________________

1. For the following problems, draw a picture using the rectangular fraction model and write the answer. Simplify your answer.

   a) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \)  
   b) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} = \)

   c) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} = \)  
   d) \( \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{9} = \)

   e) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{5} = \)  
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Solve the following problems. Draw a picture and/or write the number sentence that proves the answer.

2. Rajesh jogged 3/4 mile, and then walked 1/6 mile to cool down. How far did he travel?

3. Cynthia completed 2/3 of the items on her to-do list in the morning, and finished 1/8 of the items during her lunch break. How much of her to-do list is finished by the end of her lunch break? (Bonus: How much of her to-do list does she still have to do after lunch?)

4. Sam read 2/5 of her book over the weekend, and 1/6 of it on Monday. What fraction of the book has she read? What fraction of the book is left?
Lesson 4

Objective: Add fractions with sums between 1 and 2.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (8 minutes)
- Application Problems (7 minutes)
- Concept Development (35 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (8 minutes)

- Adding Fractions to Make One Whole 4.NF.3a (4 minutes)
- Division as Fractions 5.NF.3 (4 minutes)

Adding Fractions to Make One Whole (4 minutes)

T: I will name a fraction. You say a fraction with the same denominator so that together our fractions add up to 1 whole. For example, if I say 1 third, you say 2 thirds.
1/3 + 2/3 = 3/3 or 1 whole. Say your answer at the signal.

T: 1 fourth? (Signal)
S: 3 fourths.

T: 1 fifth? (Signal)
S: 4 fifths.

T: 2 tenths? (Signal)
S: 8 tenths.

Continue with possible sequence: 1/3, 3/5, 1/2, 5/10, 6/7, 3/8.

Division as Fractions (4 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: I will say a division sentence. You write it as a fraction. At my signal, show your board and say your fraction. (Write 3 ÷ 2.)
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S: (Students show 3/2.) 3 halves.
T: (Write 2 ÷ 3.)
S: (Students show 2/3.) 2 thirds.
T: 3 ÷ 4.
S: 3 fourths.
T: 6 ÷ 4.
S: 6 fourths.
Continue with possible sequence: 4 ÷ 5, 7 ÷ 2, 10 ÷ 3, 6 ÷ 8.

Application Problem (7 minutes)

Leslie has 1 liter of milk in her fridge to drink today. She drank 1/2 liter of milk for breakfast and 2/5 liter of milk for dinner. How many liters did Leslie drink during breakfast and dinner?

(Bonus: How much milk does Leslie have left over to go with her dessert, a brownie? Give your answer as a fraction of liters and as a decimal.)

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: What is our whole?
S: 1 liter.
T: Tell your partner how you might solve this problem.
S: (Allow for student conversations. Listen closely to select a student to diagram this problem.)
T: I see that Joe has a great model to help us solve this problem. Joe, please come draw your picture for us on the board. (Joe draws. Meanwhile ask students to support his drawing. For example, ask, “Why did Joe separate his rectangle into 5 parts?” Allow for student responses while Joe draws.)
T: Thank you Joe. Let’s say an addition sentence that represents this word problem.
S: 2 fifths plus 1 half.
T: Why can’t we add these two fractions?
S: They are different. They have different denominators. The units are different. We must find a like unit between fifths and halves. We can use equal fractions to add them—the fractions will look different, but they will still be the same amount.
T: Joe found like units from his drawing. How many units are inside his rectangle?
S: 10.
T: That means we will use 10 as our denominator, or our named unit, to solve this problem. Say your
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Lesson 4: Add fractions with sums between 1 and 2.

Concept Development (35 minutes)

Problem 1

T: (Write or project.)

\[ \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \]

T: When you see this problem, can you estimate the answer? Will it be more or less than 1? Talk with your partner about it.

S: The answer is less than one because 1/3 and 1/4 are both less than 1/2. So if two fractions that are each less than 1/2 are added together, they will add up to a fraction less than one whole.

T: Now look at this problem. Estimate the answer.

T: (Project)

\[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} \]

S: (Students discuss)

T: I overheard Camden say the answer will be more than one whole. Can you explain why?

S: 3/4 is more than half and it’s added to 1 half, we will have an answer more than 1 whole.

T: What stops us from simply adding?

S: The units do not match.

T: (Draw two rectangular models for students.)

T: How many parts do I need to draw for 1 half?
S: 2.
T: (Partition one rectangle into 2 units.) How many parts should I label to show one-half?
S: 1.
T: Just like yesterday, we label our picture with 1/2. Now we will partition this other rectangle horizontally into how many rows to show fourths?
S: 4.
T: How many rows do we use to represent 3 fourths?
S: 3.
T: We bracket 3 fourths of this rectangle. Now let’s make the rectangles match each other. How many parts do we need in each rectangle to make the units the same size?
S: 8.
T: (Partition the models.) What is the fractional value of one unit now?
S: 1 eighth.
T: Eighths will be our like unit. We can convert 1/2 into eighths. How many eighths are in 1 half? (Point to the 4 boxes bracketed by 1/2.)
S: 4 eighths.
T: How many eighths are in 3/4? (Point out the 6 boxes bracketed by 3/4.)
S: 6 eighths.
T: Say the addition sentence now using eighths as our common denominator.
S: 4 eighths plus 6 eighths equals 10 eighths.

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{4}{8} + \frac{6}{8} = \frac{10}{8}
\]
1 half + 3 fourths = 4 eighths + 6 eighths = 10 eighths

T: Good. What is unusual about our answer 10 eighths? Tell your partner.
S: The answer has the numerator larger than the denominator. We can write it as a mixed number instead.
T: How many eighths make 1 whole?
S: 8 eighths.
T: 8 eighths plus what equals 10 eighths?
S: 2 eighths.
T: Did anyone use another unit to express your answer?
S: I used fourths. I know that eighths are half as large as fourths. So, 2 eighths is the same amount as 1 fourth.
T: Can you share your answer with us?
S: 1 and 1 fourth.
\[
\frac{8}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1+2}{8} = \frac{3}{8}
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T: Let’s try another.

**Problem 2**

T: (Project)

\[
\frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{8}{10} + \frac{5}{10} = \frac{13}{10} = 1\frac{3}{10}
\]

T: (Give students time to draw a model. Proceed with questioning as before to arrive at the following.)

T: Share with your partner how to change 13 tenths into a mixed number.

S: 10 tenths plus 3 tenths equals 13 tenths. 10 tenths makes a whole and 3 tenths is left over. The answer is 1 and 3/10.

**Problem 3**

T: Let’s try another. This time, both numerators are greater than one, so make sure your brackets are clear. Draw your model only. Put your pencil down when you are finished drawing the model. (Allow 1-2 minutes to draw. When all pencils are down, continue.)

\[
\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{10}{15} + \frac{9}{15} = \frac{19}{15} = \frac{15}{15} + \frac{4}{15} = 1 + \frac{4}{15} = 1\frac{4}{15}
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T: Discuss with your partner what you bracketed and why. I will be circulating to check for your understanding.

Allow 1 minute for students to discuss. Walk around and observe drawings and conversations. Then proceed with questioning as before to arrive at the following.

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\]

T: What can we do to make our answer easier to understand?

S: Write it as a mixed number.

T: Do that now individually. (Allow 1 minute to work.) Compare your work with your partner. What is our final answer of 2 thirds plus 3 fifths?

S: 1 and 4 fifteenths.
Problem 4

T: For our last problem today I want you to solve it on your own first. Draw a model and use a number sentence. Once everyone is finished we will check your work.

\[
\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{3} =
\]

T: (Allow time for students to work, about 3 minutes.) When finding like units of eighths and thirds, what unit did you find?

S: 24.

T: Say your addition sentence using twenty-fourths.


\[
\frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{9}{24} + \frac{16}{24} = \frac{25}{24}
\]

T: Change 25/24 to a mixed number. Jerry can you share how to do that?

S: 25 twenty-fourths = 24 twenty-fourths + 1 twenty-fourth.

\[
\frac{25}{24} = \frac{24}{24} + \frac{1}{24}
\]

T: What does 24 twenty-fourths make, everyone?

S: 1 whole.

T: Say the final answer to 3 eighths plus 2 thirds.

S: 1 and 1 twenty-fourth.

\[
\frac{25}{24} = \frac{24}{24} + \frac{1}{24} = \frac{1}{24}
\]
Lesson 4: Add fractions with sums between 1 and 2.

Problem Set (10 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Add fractions with sums between 1 and 2.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Have your Problem Set ready to correct. I will say the addition sentence. You say the answer as a mixed number. Problem a) 2 thirds plus 1 half?
S: 1 and 1 sixth.

Continue giving answers to the entire Problem Set.

T: I am going to give you 2 minutes to talk to your partner about any relationships you noticed on today’s Problem Set. Be specific. I will be circulating to hear your conversations.

Allow for students to discuss. Then proceed with a similar conversation to the one below.

T: Ryan, I heard you talking about Problems (a) and (c). Can you share what you found with the class?
S: I saw that both problems used 1 half. So I compared the second fraction, and saw that they used 2/3 in Problem (a) and 3/5 in Problem (b). I remember from comparing fractions last year...
that 2/3 is greater than 3/5. It is really close. 2/3 is 10/15 and 3/5 is 9/15 and so the answers for (a) and (c) also show that (a) is greater than (c) because (a) adds 2/3.

T: Thank you Ryan. Can someone else share please?

S: I noticed that every single fraction on this Problem Set is greater than or equal to one half. That means when I add two fractions that are greater than one half together, my answer will be greater than 1. That also means that I will have to change my answer to a mixed number.

T: Thank you. Now I will give you 1 minute to look at Jacqueline’s work. What tool did she use to convert her fractions greater than 1 to mixed numbers?

S: Number bonds!

T: Turn and talk to your neighbor briefly about what you observe about her use of number bonds and how that compared with your conversion method.

T: What tool did you use to convert your fractions into like units?

S: The rectangle model.

T: (After students share.) How does this work today relate to our work yesterday?

S: Again, we took larger units and broke them into smaller equal units to find like denominators. → Yesterday all our answers were less than 1 whole. Today we realized we could use the model when the sum is greater than 1. → Our model doesn’t show the sum of the units, it just shows us the number of units that we need to use to add. → Yeah, that meant we didn’t have to draw a whole other rectangle. → I get it better today than yesterday. Now I really see what is happening.

T: Show me your learning on your exit ticket!

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
Lesson 4 Problem Set

1. For the following problems, draw a picture using the rectangular fraction model and write the answer. When possible, write your answer as a mixed number.

   a) \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \)
   b) \( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3} = \)
   c) \( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5} = \)
   d) \( \frac{5}{7} + \frac{1}{2} = \)
   e) \( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6} = \)
   f) \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{7} = \)
Lesson 4 Problem Set

Solve the following problems. Draw a picture and/or write the number sentence that proves the answer. Simplify your answer.

2. Penny used $\frac{2}{5}$ lb of flour to bake a vanilla cake. She used another $\frac{3}{4}$ lb of flour to bake a chocolate cake. How much flour did she use altogether?

3. Carlos wants to practice piano 2 hours each day. He practices piano for $\frac{3}{4}$ hour before school and $\frac{7}{10}$ hour when he gets home. How many hours has Carlos practiced piano? How much longer does he need to practice before going to bed in order to meet his goal?
Draw a model to help solve the following problems. Write your answer as a mixed number.

1. \[
\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{4} = \]

2. Patrick drank \( \frac{3}{4} \) liter of water Monday before going jogging. He drank \( \frac{4}{5} \) liter of water after his jog. How much water did Patrick drink altogether? Write your answer as a mixed number.
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1. Directions: For the following problems, draw a picture using the rectangular fraction model and write the answer. When possible, write your answer as a mixed number.

   a) \( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \)

   b) \( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3} = \)

   c) \( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \)

   d) \( \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{2} = \)

   e) \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6} = \)

   f) \( \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4}{7} = \)
Solve the following problems. Draw a picture and/or write the number sentence that proves the answer. Simplify your answer.

2. Sam made $\frac{2}{3}$ liter of punch and $\frac{3}{4}$ liter of tea to take to a party. How many liters of beverages did Sam bring to the party?

3. Mr. Sinofsky used $\frac{5}{8}$ of a tank of gas on a trip to visit relatives for the weekend and another half of a tank commuting to work the next week. He then took another weekend trip and used $\frac{1}{4}$ tank of gas. How many tanks of gas did Mr. Sinofsky use altogether?
Lesson 5
Objective: Subtract fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (12 minutes)
- Application Problem (10 minutes)
- Concept Development (28 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Sprint 4.NF.3a (12 minutes)

Sprint (12 minutes)

Materials: (S) Subtracting Fractions From a Whole Sprint

Application Problem (10 minutes)

A farmer uses 3/4 of his field to plant corn, 1/6 of his field to plant beans, and the rest to plant wheat. What fraction of his field is used for wheat?

You might at times simply remind the students of their RDW process in order to solve a problem independently. What is desired is that students will internalize the simple set of questions as well as the systematic approach of read, draw, write an equation and write a statement:

- What do I see?
- What can I draw?
- What conclusions can I make from my drawing?
Concept Development (28 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

(Write 3 boys – 1 girl = ___.)
T: Talk to your partner about the answer. (Pause.) Share your thoughts, please.
S: 3 boys – 1 girl, you can’t do it. You don’t have any girls. → 2 students if you rename them as students.
T: (Write the following.) 3 students – 1 student = 2 students. 1 half – 1 third =
T: How is this problem the same as the one before? Turn and talk to your partner.
S: The units are not the same. → We have to change the units to be able to say an answer.

Problem 1
T: We’ll need to change both units. (Write the following.)
\[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \]
T: I draw one rectangle and partition it into 2 equal units. Then I’ll write 1 half below one part and shade it in to make it easier to see what 1 half is after I change the units.
T: On the second rectangle, I make thirds with horizontal lines and write 1 third next to it after shading it in. (Make the new units by drawing thirds horizontally.) But since we are subtracting, we are just using this second model to show how many units. We will subtract from the model showing 1 half.
T: Now let’s make equivalent units. (Draw the new partitions.) How many new units do we have?
S: 6 units.
T: 1 half is how many sixths?
S: 1 half is 3 sixths.
T: 1 third is how many sixths?
S: 1 third is 2 sixths.
\[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{6} - \frac{2}{6} \]
T: (Cross out the 2 sixths on the model with 3 sixths.) Say the subtraction sentence and answer with like units.
Lesson 5

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Lesson 5: Subtract fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

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NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Additional problems like #3 allow you to work with those who need more support. If your students have a wide ability range, prepare additional problems that challenge but stay within the topic of instruction.

For example, make a list of problems subtracting consecutive denominators.

\[
\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} \\
\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} \\
\frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8}
\]

Students performing above grade level can look for patterns. What is happening to the answers?

S: 3 sixths - 2 sixths = 1 sixth.
T: With unlike units?
S: 1 half - 1 third = 1 sixth.

Problem 2

This next problem presents only the additional complexity of more units.

\[
\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{12} - \frac{3}{12}
\]

T: Subtract 1/4 from 1/3 and then talk to your partner about your process.
S: To create like units we can do exactly as we did when added or when subtracting 1/2 - 1/3, make smaller units. First we draw parts vertically just like when we did the bar diagram. Then we partition horizontally. The only thing we have to remember is that we are subtracting the units, not adding.

T: (After students share.) What is our new smaller unit?
S: Twelfths.
T: 1 third is?
S: 4 twelfths.
T: 1 fourth is?
S: 3 twelfths.
T: Say the subtraction sentence and answer with like units.
S: 4 twelfths - 3 twelfths = 1 twelfth.
T: With unlike units?
S: 1 third - 1 fourth = 1 twelfth.

Problem 3

This is simple subtraction of unit fractions, just like Problem 2. Have those who finish Problem 2 quickly solve this one independently and then compare and explain their solution to a partner.

\[
\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5}
\]

T: What do you notice about all three of our first problems?
S: All the fractions have a numerator of 1. The denominator of the whole amount is smaller than of
the part we are subtracting. \( \rightarrow \) It’s like that because when the denominator is smaller, the fraction is bigger. \( \rightarrow \) Yeah and we aren’t doing negative numbers until sixth grade. \( \rightarrow \) The first two problems had a numerator of 1 in the difference, too.

T: I chose those problems for exactly that reason. Fractions with a numerator of 1 are called unit fractions and are generally easier to manipulate. Let’s try this next problem subtracting from a non-unit fraction.

**Problem 4**

\[
\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4} =
\]

\[
\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{8}{12} - \frac{3}{12}
\]

T: Explain to your partner the difference in solving a problem when there is a non-unit fraction such as \( \frac{2}{3} \) rather than \( \frac{1}{3} \).

**Problem 5**

\[
\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} =
\]

T: What is different about this next problem?

S: It has a non-unit fraction being subtracted.

T: Very observant. Be careful when subtracting so that you take away the correct amount of units.

**Problem 6**

Here students encounter both a whole and subtracted part, which are non-unit fractions.

\[
\frac{4}{5} - \frac{2}{3} =
\]

\[
\frac{4}{5} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{12}{15} - \frac{10}{15}
\]

T: Turn to your partner and review the difference in labeling when you have a 2 non-unit fraction such as \( \frac{2}{3} \) rather than \( \frac{1}{3} \).
S: We have to label two rows if we want to show 2/3. → Yeah, nothing really changes, we just bracket more parts.

**Problem Set (10 minutes)**

Materials: (S) Problem Set, pencil, and paper

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

**Student Debrief (10 minutes)**

**Lesson Objective:** Subtract fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Bring your problem set to the Debrief. Take 1 minute to check your answers on Problems 1 and 2 with your partner. Do not change your answers, however. If you have a different answer, try to figure out why.

S: (Students work together for 1 minute.)

T: (Circulate. Look for common errors to guide your questioning during the next phase of the Debrief.)

T: I'll read the answers to Problems 1 and 2 now.

T: Review and correct your mistakes for two minutes. If you had no errors, please raise your hand. I will assign you to support a peer.
T: Compare with your partner. How do these problems relate to each other?

(a) and (b)
(b) and (d)
(e) and (f)

Suggestions for facilitating the Debrief:
- Circulate and ask the following questions.
- Post the questions and have student leaders lead small group discussions.
- Have students write about one relationship in their math journal.
- Have students do a pair-share.
- Meet with a small group of ELLs or students below grade level while others do one of the above.
- Debrief the whole class after partner sharing.

T: What do you notice about Parts (a) and (b)?
S: 2/3 is double 1/3. → 1/2 is double 1/4 and 1/6 is double 1/12.

T: What do you notice about Parts (b) and (d)?
S: Both problems start with 2/3. → 2/3 is the whole in both, but in one problem you are taking away 1/2 changed for 3 units. → When you are subtracting 3/21 you are taking away 3 much smaller units. → That means the answer to (b) is bigger. → 1/6 is less than 11/21. → Yeah, 11/21 is a little more than a half. Half of 21 is 10.5. Eleven is greater than that. → 1/6 is closer to zero.

T: What do you notice about (e) and (f)?
S: Both problems start with 3/4. But in one you are taking away 3/8 and the other you are taking away 2/7. → 3/8 is half of 3/4. → Yeah, double 3/8 is 3/4. → 13/28 is 1/14 away from a half but 3/8 is 1/8 less than a half. So 13/28 is a bigger answer so 2/7 is less than 3/8.

T: What do you notice about Parts (a) and (b)?
S: Both problems start with 3/4. But in one you are taking away 3/8 and the other you are taking away 2/7. → 3/8 is half of 3/4. → Yeah, double 3/8 is 3/4. → 13/28 is 1/14 away from a half but 3/8 is 1/8 less than a half. So 13/28 is a bigger answer so 2/7 is less than 3/8.

T: What do you notice about Parts (b) and (d)?
S: Both problems start with 2/3. → 2/3 is the whole in both, but in one problem you are taking away 1/2 changed for 3 units. → When you are subtracting 3/21 you are taking away 3 much smaller units. → That means the answer to (b) is bigger. → 1/6 is less than 11/21. → Yeah, 11/21 is a little more than a half. Half of 21 is 10.5. Eleven is greater than that. → 1/6 is closer to zero.

T: What do you notice about (e) and (f)?
S: Both problems start with 3/4. But in one you are taking away 3/8 and the other you are taking away 2/7. → 3/8 is half of 3/4. → Yeah, double 3/8 is 3/4. → 13/28 is 1/14 away from a half but 3/8 is 1/8 less than a half. So 13/28 is a bigger answer so 2/7 is less than 3/8.

T: Share your strategies on the word problems.
T: (After students share briefly.) If you were going to design a problem set for this lesson, what would you have done differently? Would you have included as many unit fractions? More word problems?
S: (Students share.)

Exit Ticket  (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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### Lesson 5 Sprint

#### Subtract fractions with unlike units using the strategy of creating equivalent fractions.

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1) For the following problems, draw a picture using the rectangular fraction model and write the answer. Simplify your answer.

a) \( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \)

b) \( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \)

c) \( \frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \)

d) \( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{7} = \)

e) \( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{8} = \)

f) \( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{7} = \)
2) Mr. Penman had $\frac{2}{3}$ liter of salt water. He used $\frac{1}{5}$ of a liter for an experiment. How much salt water does Mr. Penman have left?

3) Sandra says that $\frac{4}{7} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{4}$ because all you have to do is subtract the numerators and subtract the denominators. Convince Sandra that she is wrong. You may draw a rectangular fraction model to help.
Name ___________________________  Date __________________

Directions: Draw a model, write a subtraction sentence with like units, and circle your answer for each subtraction problem.

1. \( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{7} = \)  
2. \( \frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \)
Lesson 5 Homework 5.3

Name ____________________________ Date ________________

1) The picture shows \(\frac{3}{4}\) of the square shaded. Use the picture to show how to create a fraction equivalent to \(\frac{3}{4}\) with units that would allow you to subtract \(\frac{1}{3}\), and then find the difference.

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\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \]

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2) Find the difference. Use a rectangular fraction model to show how to convert to fractions with common denominators.

a. \(\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{3} = \)

b. \(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \)

c. \(\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = \)

d. \(\frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \)

3) \(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} = \)

f. \(\frac{5}{7} - \frac{2}{3} = \)
Robin used 1/4 pound of butter to make a cake. Afterward she had 5/8 of a pound left. How much butter did she have at first?

4) Katrina needs 3/5 kilogram of flour for a recipe. Her mother has 3/7 kilogram in her pantry. Is this enough flour to make the recipe? If not, how much more will she need?
Lesson 6

Objective: Subtract fractions from numbers between 1 and 2.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (10 minutes)
- Application Problem (8 minutes)
- Concept Development (32 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)
- Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (10 minutes)

- Name the Fraction to Complete the Whole 4.NF.3b (4 minutes)
- Taking from the Whole 5.NF.7 (3 minutes)
- Fraction Units to Ones and Fractions 5.NF.7 (3 minutes)

Name the Fraction to Complete the Whole (4 minutes)

T: I’ll say a fraction, you say the missing part to make one whole. Ready?

T: 1/2.
S: 1/2.
T: 4/5.
S: 1/5.
T: 1/7.
S: 6/7.
T: 18/20.
S: 2/20.
T: 147/150.
S: 3/150.

T: Share your strategy for making one whole with a partner.

T: With your partner, take turns giving each other problems to solve. You have one minute.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

When students begin to quiz each other, group them in level-alike pairs.

Below Grade Level Performers: Provide a bar diagram template in personal boards so that students can quickly draw each fraction and see the missing part.

Above Grade Level Performers: Give them 1/2 as a target number. Their partner can give them any fraction less than one. They tell how much to add or subtract to get to one half, e.g. 3/7 → add 1/14, 9/10 → subtract 4/10.
Taking from the Whole (3 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: I’ll say a subtraction equation. You say the answer.
    1 – 1 half.
S: 1 half.
T: 1 – 1 third.
S: 2 thirds.
T: 1 – 2 thirds.
S: 1 third.
T: 1 – 2 fifths.
S: 3 fifths.
T: 1 – 4 fifths.
S: 1 fifth.

Continue with possible sequence:

\[
1 - \frac{1}{3}, \quad 1 - \frac{3}{4}, \quad 1 - \frac{3}{7}, \quad 1 - \frac{5}{9}, \quad 1 - \frac{5}{10}
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Fraction Units to Ones and Fractions (3 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white board and markers

T: I’ll say a fraction, you say it as ones and fraction units. Three halves.
S: One and one half.
T: Five halves.
S: Two and one half.
T: Seven halves.
S: Three and one half.
T: Eleven halves.
S: Five and one half.

Continue with possible sequence:

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\frac{4}{3}, \quad \frac{5}{3}, \quad \frac{10}{3}, \quad \frac{22}{3}, \quad \frac{5}{4}, \quad \frac{7}{4}, \quad \frac{11}{4}, \quad \frac{39}{4}
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NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

If students struggle to answer chorally, write the subtraction equations on the board and have them answer on personal white boards.
Lesson 6: Subtract fractions from numbers between 1 and 2.

Application Problem (8 minutes)

The Napoli family combined two bags of dry cat food in a plastic container. One bag had 5/6 kg. The other bag had 3/4 kg. What was the total weight of the container after the bags were combined?

T: Use the RDW process to solve the problem independently. Use your questions to support you in your work. What do you see? Can you draw something? What conclusions can you make from your drawing?

T: We will analyze two solution strategies in four minutes.

After four minutes, lead students through a brief comparison of a more concrete strategy like the one below on the left and the more abstract strategy below on the right. Be sure students realize that both answers, 1 7/12 and 1 14/24, are correct.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

At this point, some students may realize they can combine their drawings onto one model, rather than drawing them separately as in previous lessons.
Lesson 6: Subtract fractions from numbers between 1 and 2.
Date: 8/7/13

Concept Development (32 minutes)

Pictorial (20 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards, template (if you choose to use it)

Problem 1

\[ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \]

T: Read the subtraction expression.
S: 1 and 1 third – 1 half.
T: How many thirds is 1 and 1 third?
S: 4 thirds.
T: (Draw) What should we do now? Turn and talk to your partner.
S: Make like units.
T: How many new smaller units are in each whole?
S: 6 units.
T: 4 thirds is how many sixths?
S: 8 sixths.
T: 1 half is how many sixths?
S: 3 sixths.
T: Looking at my drawing, how would you subtract 3 sixths or a half? Discuss this with your partner.
S: You can take the half from the whole and then add back the third. Then you are adding to subtract? Yes, you are adding the part you had left after you take away. It makes it easier because we know really well how to subtract any fraction from a one whole. Yeah but it’s just easier for me to take the 3 sixths from the 8 sixths. For me, it’s easier to take it from the whole and add back the rest.
T: It’s like subtracting 80 from 130. It’s easier for me to take 80 from 100 and add 20 and 30.
S: Can we do it whatever way?
T: Of course. Choose the way that is easiest for you.

T: Let’s call the different solution strategies Method 1 and Method 2. If you use method 1, it’s good to record it with a number bond.
S: 8 sixths – 3 sixths = 5 sixths. 1 and 1 third – 1 half = 5 sixths.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Have students draw each step along with you on personal white boards, so that they match your language with the model and the steps of the process. At key moments have them orally label the parts of the model to practice using language.
Problem 2

\[1\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} =\]

T: I draw one rectangle to show 1 and a second rectangle to show \(\frac{1}{5}\)th. 

T: Do I have thirds to take away from the 6 fifths? 

S: No. 

T: Explain to your partner how to solve this problem. Use both methods.

Problem 3

\[1\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} =\]

The only complexity added on here is that of the subtraction of a non-unit fraction.

Problem 4

\[1\frac{3}{4} - \frac{4}{5} =\]

In this problem, the new complexity is the choice of two non-unit fractions.

Problem 5

\[1\frac{4}{9} - \frac{1}{2} =\]

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Lesson 6

Subtract fractions from numbers between 1 and 2.

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T: I really don’t want to have to draw all those ninths, so I’m going to do a shortcut for now just to remind myself of what to do.
T: Did anyone solve it differently?
S: Yes. I just converted the fractions to like units and subtracted so it was 24 twenty-fourths and 6 twenty-fourths. 30 twenty-fourths – 20 twenty-fourths = 10 twenty-fourths.

**Exit Ticket (3 minutes)**

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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   a) $1 \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} =$

   b) $1 \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} =$

   c) $1 \frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{2} =$

   d) $1 \frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{2} =$

   e) $1 \frac{2}{7} - \frac{1}{3} =$

   f) $1 \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{5} =$
2. Jean-Luc jogged around the lake in 1 1/4 hour. William jogged the same distance in 5/6 hour. How much longer did Jean-Luc take than William in hours? How many more minutes?

3. Is it true that \( \frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \)? Prove your answer.
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1. \( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \)

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2. Sam had \(1 \frac{1}{2}\) m of rope. He cut off \(5/8\) m and used it for a project. How much rope does Sam have left?

3. Jackson had \(1 \frac{3}{8}\) kg of fertilizer. He used some to fertilize a flower bed and he only had \(2/3\) kg left. How much fertilizer was used in the flower bed?
Lesson 7
Objective: Solve two-step word problems.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice  (12 minutes)
- Concept Development  (33 minutes)
- Student Debrief  (15 minutes)
- Total Time  (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice  (12 minutes)

- Sprint 4.NF.2  (12 minutes)

Sprint  (12 minutes)

Materials: (S) Circle the Equivalent Fraction Sprint

Concept Development  (33 minutes)

Materials: (S) Problem Set, personal white boards

Problem 1

George weeded 1/5 of the garden, and Summer weeded some, too. When they were finished, 2/3 of the garden still needed to be weeded. What fraction of the garden did Summer weed?

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: Share with your partner: What do you see when you hear the story? What can you draw?
S: (Students share with partners.)
T: I’ll give you one minute to draw.
T: (After a brief exchange.) What fraction of the garden did Summer weed? Is it a part or the whole?
S: Part.
T: Do we know the whole?
S: Yes.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

You might strategically pair ELLs and students performing below grade level. For example, a student performing below grade level who is accustomed to translating for a parent may blossom when asked to translate for a newcomer. The relationship may become mutually beneficial if the newcomer shows strong ability and can help his or her partner with math concepts.

Also, help engagement by putting student names in them, acting them out and making small pictures to support comprehension.
Lesson 7: Solve two-step word problems.

Date: 8/7/13

T: What is it?
S: 1.
T: From the whole, we separate 1/5 for George, an unknown amount for Summer, and have a leftover part of 2/3. How do you solve for Summer’s part? Turn and share.
S: (Students share.)
T: Solve the problem on your personal white board. (Pause.) Show your board.
T: Turn and explain to your partner how you got the answer.
T: (After students share.) Jason, please share?
S: After I drew the bar diagram, I just subtracted the part George weeded and the part that was left from the whole.
T: Barbara, please share?
S: My way to solve this problem is to add up the 2 parts to create a bigger part, then subtract from the whole.
S: Summer weeded 2/15 of the garden.
T: Barbara and Jason have presented their solving methods which came right from their drawings. With your partner, analyze their drawings. How are they the same and how are they different?
S: (Students share.)
T: Are they both correct?
S: Yes?
T: How do you know?
S: They both make sense. → They both got the right answer. → They both showed the same relationships but in different ways.
Problem 2

Jing spent 1/3 of her money on a pack of pens, 1/2 of her money on a pack of markers, and 1/8 of her money on a pack of pencils.

What fraction of her money is left?

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\text{Jing had} & \quad \frac{1}{24} \text{ of her money left.}
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Problem 3
Shelby bought a 2 ounce tube of blue paint. She used 2/3 ounce to paint the water, 3/5 ounce to paint the sky, and some to paint a flag. After that she has 2/15 ounce left. How much paint did Shelby use to paint her flag?

\[ \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{10}{15} + \frac{9}{15} = \frac{19}{15} \]

Shelby used \( \frac{9}{15} \) ounce to paint the flag.

Problem 4
Jim sold 3/4 gallon of lemonade. Dwight sold some lemonade too. Together, they sold 1 5/12 gallons. Who sold more lemonade, Jim or Dwight? How much more? (See the lesson debrief for student work samples.)

Problem 5
Leonard spent 1/4 of his money on a sandwich. He spent 2 times as much on a gift for his brother as on some comic books. He had 3/8 of his money left. What fraction of his money did he spend on the comic books?
Student Debrief (15 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Solve two-step word problems.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Bring your Problem Set to the Debrief. Share, check, and/or explain your answers to your partner.

S: (Students work together for 2 minutes.)

T: (Circulate and listens to students’ explanations while they work, then review answers.)

T: Let’s take a look at two different strategies for solving Problem 4.

T: What do you notice about the 2 different drawings?

S: The first one draws the containers of lemonade, the second one draws the bar diagram. Both drawings are different but they both have the part, part, whole relationship.
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T: Let’s look at them closely. How is Jim’s container of 3/4 gallon of lemonade represented in the bar diagram? Turn and share.

S: Instead of drawing a container of 3/4 gallon, Jim’s lemonade is now a part of a whole in the bar diagram.

T: How is Dwight’s container of lemonade represented in the bar diagram? Turn and share.

S: Since we don’t know Dwight’s lemonade, we put a question mark in the container. But in the bar diagram, it’s a missing part of a whole.

T: Look at both drawings. How is the whole represented? Turn and share.

S: The drawing on the left shows 1 5/12 gallons of lemonade in the containers. The drawing on the right shows the whole in a bar diagram created by Jim and Dwight.

T: What if I change the numbers in this problem and make them into bigger units? For example, Jim has 126 3/4 gallons, and the total is 348 5/12 gallons. Which drawing do you think it’s easier to draw and represent the new problem? Turn and share.

S: That’s too many containers to draw. It’s easier to draw the new problem using the bar diagram. It’s faster to label the part, part, whole in the bar diagram than drawing all the containers.

T: The bar diagram is much easier to use, even with larger numbers.

T: What do you notice about their methods of solving this problem?

S: The second one started with the addition sentence 3/4 + ? = 1 5/12, but the first one started with subtraction sentence 1 5/12 – 3/4 = ?

T: Turn and share with your partner and follow each solution strategy through step by step. Share what is the same and different about them.

S: (Students share.)

T: If you have to solve a similar problem again, what kind of drawing and solution strategy would you use? Turn and share.

S: (Students share.)

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Solve the word problems using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

1. George weeded 1/5 of the garden, and Summer weeded some too. When they were finished, 2/3 of the garden still needed to be weeded. What fraction of the garden did Summer weed?

2. Jing spent 1/3 of her money on a pack of pens, 1/2 of her money on a pack of markers, and 1/8 of her money on a pack of pencils. What fraction of her money is left?

3. Shelby bought a 2 ounce tube of blue paint. She used 2/3 ounce to paint the water, 3/5 ounce to paint the sky, and some to paint a flag. After that she has 2/15 ounce left. How much paint did Shelby use to paint her flag?
4. Jim sold $3/4$ gallon of lemonade. Dwight sold some lemonade too. Together, they sold $1 \frac{5}{12}$ gallons. Who sold more lemonade, Jim or Dwight? How much more?

5. Leonard spent $1/4$ of his money on a sandwich. He spent 2 times as much on a gift for his brother as on some comic books. He had $3/8$ of his money left. What fraction of his money did he spend on the comic books?
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Solve the word problem using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

1. Mr. Pham mowed \( \frac{2}{7} \) of a lawn. His son mowed \( \frac{1}{4} \) of it. Who mowed the most? How much of the lawn still needs to be mowed?
Lesson 7 Homework

Solve the word problem using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

1. Christine baked a pumpkin pie. She ate 1/6 of the pie. Her brother ate 1/3 of it, and gave the leftovers to his friends. What fraction of the pie did he give to his friends?

2. Liang went to the bookstore. He spent 1/3 of his money on a pen and 4/7 of it on books. What fraction of his money did he have left?

3. Tiffany bought 2/5 kg of cherries. Linda bought 1/10 kg of cherries less than Tiffany. How many kg of cherries did they buy altogether?
4. Mr. Rivas bought a can of paint. He used $\frac{3}{8}$ of it to paint a book shelf. He used $\frac{1}{4}$ of it to paint a wagon. He used some of it to paint a bird house, and have $\frac{1}{8}$ of paint left. How much paint did he use for the bird house?

5. Ribbon A is $\frac{1}{3}$ m long. It is $\frac{2}{5}$ m shorter than ribbon B. What’s the total length of two ribbons?
Topic C
Making Like Units Numerically

5.NF.1, 5.NF.2

Focus Standard:

5.NF.1 Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators (including mixed numbers) by replacing given fractions with equivalent fractions in such a way as to produce an equivalent sum or difference of fractions with like denominators. For example, 2/3 + 5/4 = 8/12 + 15/12 = 23/12. (In general, a/b + c/d = (ad + bc)/bd.)

5.NF.2 Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole, including cases of unlike denominators, e.g., by using visual fraction models or equations to represent the problem. Use benchmark fractions and number sense of fractions to estimate mentally and assess the reasonableness of answers. For example, recognize an incorrect result 2/5 + 1/2 = 3/7, by observing that 3/7 < 1/2

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Coherence - Links from: G4–M5 Fraction Equivalence, Ordering, and Operations
- Links to: G5–M1 Place Value and Decimal Fractions
G5–M4 Multiplication and Division of Fractions and Decimal Fractions

Topic C uses the number line when adding and subtracting fractions greater than or equal to 1. The number line helps students see that fractions are analogous to whole numbers. The number line makes it clear that numbers on the left are smaller than numbers on the right (which helps lead to integers in Grade 6). Using this tool, students recognize and manipulate fractions in relation to larger whole numbers and to each other. For example, “Between what two whole numbers does the sum of 1 2/3 and 5 3/4 lie?”
This leads to understanding of and skill with solving more interesting problems, often embedded within multistep word problems:

Cristina and Matt’s goal is to collect a total of 3 ½ gallons of sap from the maple trees. Cristina collected 1 ¾ gallons. Matt collected 5 3/5 gallons. By how much did they beat their goal?

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& = 3 + \frac{15}{20} + \frac{12}{20} - \frac{10}{20} = 3 \frac{17}{20} \text{ gal}
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Cristina and Matt beat their goal by 3 \( \frac{17}{20} \) gallons.

Word problems are part of every lesson. Students are encouraged to utilize bar diagrams, which facilitate analysis of the same part–whole relationships they have worked with since Grade 1.

### A Teaching Sequence Towards Mastery of Making Like Units Numerically

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Lesson 8

Objective: Add fractions to and subtract fractions from whole numbers using equivalence and the number line as strategies.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (6 minutes)
- Application Problem (7 minutes)
- Concept Development (35 minutes)
- Student Debrief (12 minutes)
- Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (6 minutes)

- Adding Whole Numbers and Fractions **4.NF.3a** (3 minutes)
- Subtracting Fractions from Whole Numbers **4.NF.3a** (3 minutes)

Adding Whole Numbers and Fractions (3 minutes)

T: I'll say the answer. You say the addition problem as a whole number and a fraction. 3 and 1 half.
S: 3 + 1 half.
T: 5 and 1 half.
S: 5 + 1 half.
T: 2 and 3 fourths.
S: 2 + 3 fourths.
T: 1 and 5 sixths.
S: 1 + 5 sixths.
T: Let’s switch roles. I’ll say the addition problem, you say the answer. 2 + 1 fifth.
S: 2 and 1 fifth.
T: 2 + 4 fifths.
S: 2 and 4 fifths.
T: 5 + 7 eighths.
S: 5 and 7 eighths.
T: 3 + 7 twelfths.
S: 3 and 7 twelfths.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

If necessary, show numbers with bar diagrams to create a visual and slow the pace of the activity.
Subtracting Fractions From Whole Numbers (3 minutes)

T: I’ll say a subtraction sentence. You repeat the sentence and give the answer. 1 – 1 half.
S: 1 – 1 half = 1 half.
T: 2 – 1 half.
S: 2 – 1 half = 1 and 1 half.
T: 2 and 1 half – 1 half.
S: 2 and 1 half – 1 half = 2.
T: 6 – 1 fourth.
S: 6 – 1 fourth = 5 and 3 fourths.
T: 6 and 3 fourths – 1 half.
S: 6 and 3 fourths – 1 half = 6.

Repeat process with possible sequence:

\[3 - \frac{5}{6}, \quad \frac{5}{6} - \frac{5}{6}, \quad 4 - \frac{7}{8}, \quad \frac{7}{8} - \frac{7}{8}, \quad 5 - \frac{7}{12}, \quad \frac{7}{12} - \frac{7}{12}\]

Application Problem (7 minutes)

Jane found money in her pocket. She went to a convenience store and spent 1/4 of her money on chocolate milk, 3/5 of her money on a magazine, and the rest of her money on candy. What fraction of her money did she spend on candy?

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: Quickly share with your partner how to solve this problem. (Circulate and listen.)
T: Malory, will you tell the class your plan?
S: I have to find like units for the cost of the milk and magazine. Then I can add them together. Then I can see how much more I would need to make 1 whole.
T: You have 2 minutes to solve the problem.
T: What like units did you find for the milk and magazine?
S: Twentieths.
T: Say your addition sentence with these like units.
S: 5 twentieths plus 12 twentieths equals 17 twentieths.
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T: How many more twentieths do you need to make a whole?
S: 3 twentieths.
T: Tell your partner the answer in the form of a sentence.
S: Jane spent 3 twentieths of her money on candy.

Concept Development (35 minutes)

Materials: (S) Empty number line template or lined paper

T: Discuss with your partner what addition problem would match this picture.

S: 1 + 1 3/4

Problem 1

\[ 1 + 1 \frac{3}{4} \]

Draw a line or project the number line template.

T: Start at zero. Travel one unit.
T: Start at 1 and travel one more equal unit. Where do we land?
S: 2.
T: How much more do I need to travel?
S: 3 fourths.
T: Will that additional distance be less than or more than one whole unit?
S: Less than one whole unit.
T: Make 3 smaller equal units, 1 fourth, 2 fourths, 3 fourths. What is 2 plus 3 fourths?
S: 2 and 3 fourths.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Add the following question as an extension for students performing above grade level:

How much does the magazine cost if she started with $10?
The question goes beyond the scope of the lesson, but may be an engaging challenge for some students.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

It may be easier for your students to use a template with the empty number line on it. However if you are limited with printing templates for your class, lined paper will do the same job.
Encourage students to make number lines by tracing the blue lines on lined paper. The increments on rulers can be a distraction. Our goal is for students to use the line as a helpful tool for visualizing the addition and subtraction, and to contextualize fractions within the set of whole numbers.
S: 1 plus 1 and 3 fourths equals 2 and 3 fourths.

\[
1 + 1 \frac{3}{4} \\
= 1 + 1 + \frac{3}{4} \\
= 2 \frac{3}{4}
\]

Problem 2

\[
2 \frac{3}{10} + 3
\]

T: Talk to your partner: How should we solve this?

S: First add 2. \(\Rightarrow\) 3 tenths comes next so add that. \(\Rightarrow\) Adding all the whole numbers first might be easier. \(\Rightarrow\) Adding the numbers as they are written is best so you don’t forget the fractions or whole numbers. \(\Rightarrow\) Adding the whole numbers first will make the number line easier to read and it’s similar to how we add all the ones, then the tens, then the hundreds. Add like numbers or units first.

T: Let’s travel 2, then 3 more units on our number line. (Show on the board.) Can someone explain how to travel 3 tenths?

S: 1 tenth is much smaller than a whole, so make 3 very small units. Label the final one 5 \(\frac{3}{10}\).

T: Say your complete number sentence.

S: 2 and 3 tenths plus 3 equals 5 and 3 tenths.

\[
2 \frac{3}{10} + 3 \\
= 2 + 3 + \frac{3}{10} \\
= 5 \frac{3}{10}
\]

T: What do you notice about the fractional units when adding it to a whole number?

S: The fraction amount doesn’t change. All we have to do is add the whole numbers.

Problem 3

\[
1 - \frac{1}{4}
\]

T: Read the problem.

S: 1 minus 1 fourth.

T: On the number line, let’s start at 1 because that’s the whole.
T: When I subtract $\frac{1}{4}$ from 1, my answer will lie between what 2 whole numbers?
S: 0 and 1.
T: (Write 0 on the number line.) Because the answer will be between 0 and 1, the whole number will be 0. We will partition the number line into fourths. Starting at 1, let’s travel back 1 fourth. (Mark the unit.)
S: 1 minus 1 fourth equals 3 fourths.

$$1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Problem 4
T: Discuss with your partner your strategy for solving this problem. (Listen to students discuss for 30 seconds.)

$$2 - \frac{3}{5}$$

T: I will start at the whole number 2 on my number line. Am I subtracting a whole number?
S: No.
T: My answer will lie between what 2 whole numbers?
S: 1 and 2.
T: If your answer lies between 1 and 2, what is the whole number part of your answer?
S: 1.
T: With your partner, subtract 3 fifths on the number line.

Allow students 1 minute to solve the problem with their partner using the number line. Review the problem counting back 3 fifths on the number line. Ask for students to submit answers, rather than giving the answers.

$$2 - \frac{3}{5} = 1 + (1 - \frac{3}{5}) = 1 \frac{2}{5}$$
NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:
You may want to project work or have students show their strategies visually as they share. Also, give the class an opportunity to ask the presenter questions. You may want to ask students to retell particularly efficient strategies to a partner to help them internalize either language or content, depending on need.

Problem 5

T: Let’s say this subtraction sentence.

\[ 3 - 1 \frac{2}{3} \]

S: 3 minus 1 and 2 thirds.

T: First, we will subtract the whole number 1 and then subtract the fraction 2 thirds. Start with 3 on the number line and subtract 1 whole. (Show the subtraction of the unit.)

T: When you subtract the fraction 2 thirds, what 2 whole numbers will your answer lie between?

S: Between 1 and 2.

T: You have 1 minute to complete this problem with your partner.

\[ 3 - 1 \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = (3 - 1) - \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = 2 - \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = 1 \frac{1}{3} \]

Problem Set (12 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 12 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (12 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Add fractions to and subtractions from whole numbers using equivalence and the number line as strategies.

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Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief.
Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Please take two minutes to check your answers with your partner. Do not change any of your answers. (Allow students to work.)

T: I will say the addition or subtraction problem. Share your answers out loud to check your work. Part (a) 2 plus 1 and 1 fifth equals?

S: 3 and 1 fifth.

Continue with sequence.

T: Take the next two minutes to discuss the Problem Set with your partner. Did you notice anything new? Are there any patterns? (Students discuss. Circulate and listen for conversations that can be shared with the whole class.)

T: Carla, will you tell us what you noticed about Part (c)?

S: I added the whole numbers and got 7, but then I realized that the fractions added up to 5 fifths. That’s one whole, so I had to add that to 7 and got 8 for my answer.

T: Benjamin, what were you saying about the addition problems compared to the subtraction problems?

S: Addition takes less time and thinking. Just add the whole numbers and write in the fraction. But with subtraction, you have to think harder. First you subtract the whole numbers, but that won’t be your whole number answer. You have to make it one number smaller. Like in Part (e). 17 minus 15 equals 2 but the answer won’t be 2; it will be between 1 and 2. So I write down the whole number 1, and then figure out the fraction.

T: Tammy, how did you find the fraction that Benjamin mentioned?

S: For finding the fraction part of subtraction, I like to count up. For example, in Part (d) I found the whole number and then said 3/7, 4/7, 5/7, 6/7, 7/7. That’s 5 groups of sevenths. So the fraction is 5/7.

T: So many of us are finding our own strategies for solving addition and subtraction of whole numbers and fractions. Share with your partner your own strategies. Listen carefully and see if you learn a new strategy to try.

S: (Students talk. If time permits, ask for two students to share what they heard.)

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

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1. Add or subtract.
   
   a) \(2 + 1 \frac{1}{5} = \)  
   b) \(2 - 1 \frac{3}{8} = \)  
   
   c) \(5 \frac{2}{5} + 2 \frac{3}{5} = \)  
   d) \(4 - 2 \frac{2}{7} = \)  
   
   e) \(9 \frac{3}{4} + 8 = \)  
   f) \(17 - 15 \frac{2}{3} = \)  
   
   g) \(15 + 17 \frac{2}{3} = \)  
   h) \(100 - 20 \frac{7}{8} = \)  

2. Calvin had 30 minutes in time-out. For the first 23 1/3 minutes, Calvin counted spots on the ceiling. For the rest of the time he made faces at his stuffed tiger. How long did Calvin spend making faces at his tiger?
3. Linda planned to spend 9 hours practicing piano this week. By Tuesday, she had spent 2 1/2 hours practicing. How much longer does she need to practice to reach her goal?

4. Gary says that \(3 - \frac{1}{3}\) will be more than 2, since \(3 - 1\) is 2. Draw a picture to prove that Gary is wrong.
Add or subtract.

1) $5 + 1\frac{7}{8} =$

2) $3 - 1\frac{3}{4} =$

3) $7\frac{3}{8} + 4 =$

4) $4 - 2\frac{3}{7} =$
1. Add or subtract.

   a) \( 3 + 1 \frac{1}{4} = \) 
   
   b) \( 2 - 1 \frac{5}{8} = \) 

   c) \( 5 \frac{2}{5} + 2 \frac{3}{5} = \) 
   
   d) \( 4 - 2 \frac{5}{7} = \) 

   e) \( 8 \frac{4}{5} + 7 = \) 
   
   f) \( 18 - 15 \frac{3}{4} = \) 

   g) \( 16 + 18 \frac{5}{6} = \) 
   
   h) \( 100 - 50 \frac{3}{8} = \) 

2. The total length of two ribbons is 13 meters. If one ribbon is \( 7 \frac{5}{8} \) meters long, what is the length of the other ribbon?
3. It took Sandy two hours to jog 13 miles. She ran 7 1/2 miles in the first hour. How far did she run during the second hour?

4. Andre says that \( \frac{3}{4} + 2\frac{1}{4} = 7\frac{1}{2} \) because \( \frac{7}{8} = 7\frac{1}{2} \). Identify his mistake. Draw a picture to prove that he is wrong.
Lesson 9

Objective: Add fractions making like units numerically.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (10 minutes)
- Application Problem (10 minutes)
- Concept Development (30 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (10 minutes)

- Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Like Units 4.NF.3a (1 minute)
- Sprint 4.NF.3a (9 minutes)

Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Like Units (1 minute)

T: I’ll say an addition or subtraction sentence. You say the answer. 2 fifths + 1 fifth.
S: 3 fifths.
T: 2 fifths – 1 fifth.
S: 1 fifth.
T: 2 fifths + 2 fifths.
S: 4 fifths.
T: 2 fifths – 2 fifths.
S: Zero.
T: 3 fifths + 2 fifths.
S: 1.
T: I’m going to write an addition sentence. You say true or false.
T: (Write.) \[ \frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{7} = \frac{5}{7} \]
S: True.
T: (Write.) \[ \frac{3}{7} + \frac{3}{7} = \frac{6}{14} \]

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

Provide written equations along with oral. Colored response cards (green=true and red=false) can help scaffold responses to the statement “Tell me if it’s true or false.” This statement might also be simplified to “Is it right?” to which ELLs may respond “yes” or “no.”

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S: False.
T: Say the answer that makes this addition sentence true.
S: \( \frac{5}{9} + \frac{2}{9} = \frac{7}{18} \)
T: True or false?
S: False.
T: Say the answer that will make this addition sentence true.
S: \( \frac{5}{9} + \frac{4}{9} = 1 \)
T: True or false?
S: True.
T: Great work. You’re ready for your Sprint!

Sprint (9 minutes)

Materials: (S) Add and Subtract Fractions with Like Units Sprint

Application Problem (10 minutes)

Hannah and her friend are training to run in a 2 mile race. On Monday, Hannah runs 1/2 mile. On Tuesday, she runs 1/5 mile further than she ran on Monday.

a. How far did Hannah run on Tuesday?
b. If her friend ran 3/4 mile on Tuesday, how many miles did the girls run in all on Tuesday?

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

This problem may feel like review for some students. Consider extending it by asking, “If Hannah keeps to this training pattern, how many days will it take her to reach a distance of 2 miles?”

You might also task students with generating other questions that could be asked about the story. For example:
- How far did Hannah run in 5 days?
- How much farther did Hannah run than her friend on Tuesday?
- How much farther did Hannah run on day 10 than day 1?

If students offer a question for which there is insufficient information, ask how the problem could be altered in order for their question to be answered.
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T: Use the RDW (read, draw, write) process to solve with your partner.

S: (Students read, draw and write an equation, as well as a word sentence.)

T: (Debrief the problem.) Could you use the same units to answer Parts (a) and (b)? Why or why not?

S: No. There’s no easy way to change fourths to tenths.

Concept Development (30 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

Problem 1

T: How did you decide to use tenths in the first part of our Application Problem? Turn and talk.

S: We can draw a rectangle and split it using the other unit. Since we had halves and fifths, we drew two parts and then split them into 5 parts each. That made 10 parts for the halves. That meant the fifths were each 2 smaller units, too.

T: Turn and talk: What happened to the number of units we selected when we split our rectangle?

S: Instead of one part, now we have five. The number of selected parts is five times more. The total number of parts is now 10.

T: What happened to the size?

S: The units got smaller.

T: Let me record what I hear you saying. Does this equation say the same thing?

(Record the following equation.)

\[
\frac{1 \times 5}{2 \times 5} = \frac{5}{10}
\]

5 times as many selected units

5 times as many units in the whole

S: Yes!

T: Write an equation like mine to explain what happened to the fifths.

T: (Circulate and listen.) Jennifer, can you share for us?

S: The number of parts we had doubled. The units are half as big as before, but there are twice as many of them.

\[
\frac{1 \times 2}{5 \times 2} = \frac{2}{10}
\]

Number of parts doubled or 2 times as many parts

Number of units in whole doubled or twice as many parts in the whole
T: Then, of course, we could add our two fractions together. (Write.)

\[
\frac{1 \times 5}{2 \times 5} + \frac{1 \times 2}{5 \times 2} = \frac{5}{10} + \frac{2}{10} = \frac{7}{10}
\]

T: Are there other units we could have used to make these denominators the same? Another way to ask that question is: Do 2 and 5 have other common multiples?

S: Yes. We could have used 20ths, 30ths, or 50ths....

T: If we had used 20ths, how many slices would we need to change 1/2? To change 1/5? Turn and talk. Draw a model on your personal board if necessary.

T: Let’s hear your ideas.

S: 10 slices for half. \( \rightarrow \) Ten times as many units in the whole and 10 times as many units that we selected. \( \rightarrow \) 4 slices for fifths. \( \rightarrow \) 4 times as many selected units and 4 times as many units in the whole, but they are smaller in size.

T: Let’s record that on our boards in equation form. (Write.)

\[
\frac{1 \times 10}{2 \times 10} + \frac{1 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = \frac{10}{20} + \frac{4}{20} = \frac{14}{20}
\]

T: Is 14/20 the same amount as 7/10?

S: Yes, they are equivalent. \( \rightarrow \) 7/10 is simplified.

T: Express 1/2 + 1/5 using another unit. Show your thoughts with an equation.

S: (Students draw and write appropriate representations.)

T: Who used the smallest unit? Who used the largest unit? Who had the least or most units in their whole? Turn and talk.

T: (After students share.) Garrett and Pete, please share your findings.

S: I used 30ths so I had to multiply by 15 to make 1/2 and multiply by 6 to make 1/5. That’s 21/30 in all. \( \rightarrow \) I used 50ths. I had smaller units in my whole, so I needed 25 to make 1/2 and 10 to make 1/5. That’s 35/50 in all.

T: Look at this statement. What do the types of units we used have in common?

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{7}{10} = \frac{14}{20} = \frac{21}{30} = \frac{35}{50}
\]
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S: All of the units are smaller than halves and fifths. \(\Rightarrow\) All are common multiples of 2 and 5. \(\Rightarrow\) All are multiples of ten.

T: Will the new unit always be a multiple of the original units? Try to answer this as we consider the next problem.

Problem 2

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} =
\]

T: How does this problem compare with our first?

S: It’s still adding 1/2 to something else. \(\Rightarrow\) The first problem was two unit fractions. \(\Rightarrow\) This one only has one unit fraction. \(\Rightarrow\) We were adding an amount less than half to 1/2 in the first, but 2/3 is more than half.

T: Great observations! What can we expect to change about our answer? How about the units we use?

S: We should get a fraction greater than one. \(\Rightarrow\) We won’t use most of the units from before.

T: How can you be sure?

S: We are adding half and more than half. \(\Rightarrow\) Only one of our units from before is a multiple of 3.

T: Imagine the rectangle that helps you find a common unit. Record an equation that explains what you saw in your mind’s eye.

T: (Circulate and observe.)

T: Tia, show us your equation and explain it.

S: (Student displays equation.) I used sixths. My equation shows that for 1/2, the selected pieces tripled and the units in the whole tripled too. For 2/3, the parts doubled and so did the units in the whole.

T: Was our prediction about the answer correct?

S: Yes! It was greater than one!

T: Did anyone use another unit to find the sum?

(Record sums on board as students respond.)

T: Do these units follow the pattern we saw in our earlier work? Let’s keep looking for evidence as we work.

Problem 3

\[
\frac{5}{9} + \frac{5}{6} =
\]

T: Compare this problem to the others. Turn and talk.

S: My partner and I see different things. I think this one is like Problem 2 because the addends are more than half. But my partner says this one is like Problem 1 because the numerators are the
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same, even though they are not unit fractions. → This one was different because you can find a bigger unit—18ths work as a common unit, but that’s not the unit you get if you multiply 6 and 9.

T: Find the sum. Use an equation to show your thinking.

Follow a similar procedure to Problems 1 and 2 for debriefing the solution.

Problem 4

\[
\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} =
\]

T: This problem has three addends. Will this affect our approach to solving?

S: No. We still have to use a common unit. It has to be a multiple of all three denominators.

T: Find the sum using an equation. (Debrief as above.)

T: To wrap up, what patterns have you observed about the common units?

S: All the new units we found are common multiples of our original units. → We don’t always have to multiply the original units to find a common multiple. → You can skip count by the largest common unit to find smaller common units.

Problem Set (10 minutes)

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T: Take two minutes to check your answers with your partner. Please do not change any of them. (Allow time for students to confer.)

T: Did you notice any patterns in the sums on this sheet?

S: The answers in the first column were all less than a whole. The answers in the second column were more than a whole.

T: I noticed that Part (b) is different from all the other problems. Can you explain how it is different?

S: Part (b) is different because I only had to change the unit of one fraction to be like the other one. One unit is a multiple of the other. Fourths can be made out of eighths. None of the others were like that.

T: John, please share your answer and your partner’s answer to Part (b).

S: I got 1 and 3/8, but Kate got 1 and 1/32.

T: Class, is it a problem that John and Kate’s answers to Part (b) are different?

S: No. It is the same amount. They just used different units. You don’t always have to multiply.

T: Did this situation come up more often in some problems than others?

S: Yes. It happened more in Parts (f) and (h).

T: Why?

S: Multiplying the units together in these didn’t give us the largest unit they had in common. I could find a smaller common multiple than just multiplying them together. I could skip-count by the bigger number and say a multiple of the other number that was smaller than multiplying them together. If I multiplied them together, I could simplify the answer I got to use a bigger unit.

T: How can these observations help you answer Problem 2?

S: Problem 2 was like (f) and (h). There was a bigger unit in common. You can slice the units by the same number to get a common unit.

T: Terrific insights! Put them to use as you complete your Exit Ticket.

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

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   g) \( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{11} = \) 

   h) \( \frac{3}{4} + 1 \frac{1}{10} = \)
2. Whitney says that to add fractions with different denominators, you always have to multiply the denominators to find the common unit, for example:

\[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{6}{24} + \frac{4}{24}
\]

Show Whitney how she could have chosen a denominator smaller than 24, and solve the problem.

3. Jackie brought \(\frac{3}{4}\) of a gallon of iced tea to the party. Bill brought \(\frac{7}{8}\) of a gallon of iced tea to the same party. How much iced tea did Jackie and Bill bring to the party?

4. Madame Curie made some radium in her lab. She used \(\frac{2}{5}\) kg of the radium in an experiment and had \(1 \frac{1}{4}\) kg left. How much radium did she have at first? (Bonus: If she performed the experiment twice, how much radium would she have left?)
Lesson 9 Exit Ticket

Make like units, then add.

1. \( \frac{1}{6} + \frac{3}{4} = \)

2. \( 1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{5} = \)
Lesson 9 Homework

Name ___________________________  Date _________________

1. Make like units, then add. Use an equation to show your thinking.

   a) \( \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{3} = \)

   b) \( \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{11} = \)

   c) \( \frac{2}{9} + \frac{5}{6} = \)

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   f) \( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{7}{12} = \)

   g) \( 1\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{4} = \)

   h) \( \frac{5}{6} + 1\frac{1}{4} = \)
2. On Monday, Ka practices guitar for $\frac{2}{3}$ of one hour. When she’s finished, she practices piano for $\frac{3}{4}$ of one hour. How much time did Ka spend practicing instruments on Monday?

3. Ms. How buys a bag of rice to cook dinner. She used $\frac{3}{5}$ kg of rice and still had $2 \frac{1}{4}$ kg left. How heavy was the bag of rice that Ms. How bought?

4. Joe spends $\frac{2}{5}$ of his money on a jacket and $\frac{3}{8}$ of his money on a shirt. He spends the rest on a pair of pants. What fraction of his money does he use to buy the pants?
Lesson 10

Objective: Add fractions with sums greater than 2.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (10 minutes)
- Application Problem (8 minutes)
- Concept Development (32 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (10 minutes)

- Sprint 4.NF.3c (10 minutes)

Sprint (10 minutes)

Materials: (S) Add and Subtract Whole Numbers and Ones with Fraction Units Sprint

Application Problem (8 minutes)

To make punch for the class party, Mrs. Lui mixed 1 1/3 cups orange juice, 3/4 cup apple juice, 2/3 cup cranberry juice, and 3/4 cup lemon-lime soda. Mixed together, how many cups of punch does the recipe make? (Bonus: Each student drinks 1 cup. How many recipes does Mrs. Lui need to serve her 20 students?)

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: Can you draw something? Use your RDW process to solve the problem.

(Circulate while students work.)

T: Alexis, will you tell the class about your solution?
S: I noticed that Mrs. Lui uses thirds and fourths when measuring. I added the like units together first. Then I add the unlike units last to find the answer.

T: Say the addition sentence for the units of thirds.
S: 1 1/3 + 2/3 = 2.
T: 2 what?

The recipe makes 3 1/2 cups punch.
S: 2 cups.
T: Say your addition sentence for the units of fourths.
S: 3 fourths + 3 fourths = 1 and 1 half.
T: 1 and 1 half what?
S: 1 and 1 half cups.
T: How do I finish solving this problem?
S: Add 2 cups + 1 and 1 half cups.
T: Tell your partner your final answer as a sentence.
S: Mrs. Lui’s recipe makes 3 and 1 half cups of punch.

If time allows, ask students to share strategies for solving the bonus question.

Concept Development (32 minutes)

T: Look at the three problems on the board. Discuss with your partner how they are similar and how they are different.

S: Both add whole numbers plus fractional units. → The fractional units are different in Problems B and C. → Both A and B will result in an answer between 3 and 4, but C will be between 4 and 5.

Problem 1

T: Read the expression.
S: 2 and 1/5 + 1 and 1/2.
T: Discuss with your partner if the following equation is true. (Write.)

\[
2 \frac{1}{5} + 1 \frac{1}{2} = 2 + \frac{1}{5} + 1 + \frac{1}{2} = 3 + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2} = 3 + \left( \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \right)
\]

S: (Students discuss and find it is true using the commutative and associative properties.)
T: What should be done to add 1/5 + 1/2?
S: Change fifths and halves to tenths.
T: Yes. We can create an equivalent fraction of...

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

So often during our fraction work, we talk about like units. Develop a visual code for this with your students. It might be as simple as posting a bar model you can reference showing 1/2 subdivided by a dotted line to make fourths. Say “like units” while pointing to and saying: “1/2 = 2/4.” Then say, “Like units, 3/4 = 18/24.”

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Throughout this lesson, students are asked to work with fractions equations and understand the step by step logic of what is happening to them. Have ELLs with similar home language sit together to support their ongoing analysis of the numbers.
1/2 using 10 as the denominator.

T: Say the multiplication sentence for converting 1 fifth to tenths.

S: \( \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{2}{10} \)

T: Say the multiplication sentence for converting 1 half to tenths.

S: \( \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{5} = \frac{5}{10} \)

T: What is our new addition sentence with like units?

S: \( 3 \frac{2}{10} + \frac{5}{10} = 3 \frac{7}{10} \).

T: Look at equations I have written here (pictured to the right). Discuss with your partner the logic of the equalities from top to bottom.

S: (Discuss step by step the logic of each equality.)

Problem 2

\[ 2 \frac{4}{5} + 1 \frac{1}{2} \]

T: Compare with your partner how this problem is the same and different from our last problem.

T: (After brief comparison.) Joseph, could you share your thoughts?

S: The sum of the fractional units will be greater than 1 this time.

T: Let’s compare them on the number line.

T: (Go through the process quickly, including generating the conversion equations. Omit recording them as in the example to the right. Allow 1–2 minutes for solving this problem.)

T: You can record the conversion equations or not. If you are ready to convert mentally, do so. If you need to write the conversions down, do so.
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Problem 3

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{5}$$

$$\_ \ < \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{5} < \_$$

T: Discuss with your partner: The sum will be between which two numbers?

S: It’s hard to know because 2 fifths is really close to 2 and 1 third. Is it more or less? → One way to think about it is that 2 sixths is the same as 1 third and 2 thirds plus 1 third is 1. Fifths are bigger than sixths so the answer must be between 8 and 9 but kind of close to 8.

T: Try solving this problem step by step with your partner.

Problem 4

$$\frac{3}{7} + \frac{6}{3}$$

$$\_ \ < \frac{3}{7} + \frac{6}{3} < \_$$

T: Discuss with your partner: The sum will be between which two numbers?

S: It’s greater than 9. → 5/7 and 2/3 are both greater than 1/2 so the answer must be between 10 and 11. → 5/7 only needs 2/7 to be 1 and 2/3 is much more that so I agree, the answer will be between 10 and 11.

T: Take 2 minutes to solve collaboratively with your partner.
Problem 5

\[ 3\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{7}{8} \]

\[ ____ < 3\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{7}{8} < ____ \]

T: First discuss with your partner what unit you will use for adding the fractional parts. (Allow 1 minute to discuss.)

T: Julia and Curtis, I heard you disagreeing. Julia, what is your choice?
S: I'm just going to use sixteenths. It's easy for me just to multiply by the denominator of the other addend.

T: Curtis, how is your strategy different?
S: I will use eighths. To me that is easier because I only have to change the 1 half into eighths.

T: I will give you 2 minutes to solve the problem. Try using either Julia’s or Curtis’s strategy of 16 or 8 for your like units. Let’s see who is right.

Method 1

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Method 2

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Allow students two minutes to work together. Note that students should simplify their answers and that both choices of unit yield an equivalent, correct response.
NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

If students finish early, have them solve the problem using more than one method for finding like units. They might also draw their solutions on the number line to prove the equivalence of different units. Drawings can be shared with the rest of the class to clarify confusion that others may have about the relationship between different methods.

Problem 6

\[ \frac{15}{6} + \frac{9}{10} \]

Allow students to solve the last problem individually. Again, note that there are two methods for finding like units. As students work, have two pairs come to the board and solve the problems using different units, highlighting that both methods result in the same solution.

Method 1

\[
\begin{align*}
15 \frac{5}{6} &+ 7 \frac{9}{10} \\
= 22 \frac{5}{6} &+ \frac{9}{10} \\
= 22 \frac{50}{60} &+ \frac{54}{60} \\
= 22 \frac{104}{60} &
\end{align*}
\]

Method 2

\[
\begin{align*}
15 \frac{5}{6} &+ 7 \frac{9}{10} \\
= 22 \frac{5}{6} &+ \frac{9}{10} \\
= 22 \frac{25}{30} &+ \frac{27}{30} \\
= 22 \frac{52}{30} &
\end{align*}
\]

It is worth pointing out that if this were a problem about time, in Method 1 we might want to keep our final fraction as sixtieths. The answer might be 22 hours and 44 minutes.

Problem Set (10 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.
Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Add fractions with sums greater than 2.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Please take two minutes to check your answers with your partner. Do not change any of your answers. (Allow time for students to work.)

T: I will say the addition problem. Will you please share your answers out loud in response? Letter a) 2 and 1 fourth + 1 and 1 fifth =?

S: 3 and 9 twentieths.

Continue with sequence.

T: Take the next two minutes to discuss with your partner any observations you had while completing this Problem Set. What do you notice?

Allow time for students to discuss while you circulate and listen for conversations that can be shared with the whole class.

T: Myra, can you share what you noticed happening across the page?

S: Sure, the rows going across shared the same units. Parts (a) and (b) had units of fourths and fifths, and the like units are twentieths.

T: Victor, what did you see in the right column?

S: On all of the problems in the right column the sum of the fraction was greater than 1. Like in Part (g) the answer was 20 and 41 fortieths. 41 fortieths is a fraction greater than 1, so I had to change it into a mixed number and add that to the whole number 20. So my final answer was 21 and 1 fortieth.

T: Share with your partner how you realize when it the fraction allows you to make a new whole. (Allow 1 minute for conversation.)

S: When the top number of the fraction is bigger than the bottom number I know. I look at the relationship between the numerator and denominator. If the numerator is larger, I change it to a mixed number. The denominator tells us the number of parts in one whole. So if the numerator is greater, the fraction is greater than one.

T: What about Clayton’s reasoning in question 4? Discuss your thoughts with your partner.
Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Lesson 10: Add fractions with sums greater than 2.

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Lesson 10 Problem Set

1. Add.

   a) \[ 2 \frac{1}{4} + 1 \frac{1}{5} = \]
   
   b) \[ 2 \frac{3}{4} + 1 \frac{2}{5} = \]

   c) \[ 1 \frac{1}{5} + 2 \frac{1}{3} = \]
   
   d) \[ 4 \frac{2}{3} + 1 \frac{2}{5} = \]

   e) \[ 3 \frac{1}{3} + 4 \frac{5}{7} = \]
   
   f) \[ 2 \frac{5}{7} + 5 \frac{2}{3} = \]

   g) \[ 15 \frac{1}{5} + 3 \frac{5}{8} = \]
   
   h) \[ 15 \frac{5}{8} + 5 \frac{2}{5} = \]
2. Erin jogged $2 \frac{1}{4}$ miles on Monday. Wednesday she jogged $3 \frac{1}{3}$ miles, and on Friday she jogged $2 \frac{2}{3}$ miles. How far did Erin jog altogether?

3. Darren bought some paint. He used $2 \frac{1}{4}$ gallons painting his living room. After that, he had $3 \frac{5}{6}$ gallons left. How much paint did he buy?

4. Clayton says that $2 \frac{1}{2} + 3 \frac{3}{5}$ will be more than 5 but less than 6 since $2 + 3$ is 5. Is Clayton’s reasoning correct? Prove him right or wrong.
Solve the problems.

1. \[3 \frac{1}{2} + 1 \frac{1}{3} = \]

2. \[4 \frac{5}{7} + 3 \frac{3}{4} = \]
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1. Add.

a) \[ \frac{2}{2} + \frac{1}{5} = \]

b) \[ \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{5} = \]

c) \[ \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{3} = \]

d) \[ \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \]

e) \[ \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{7} = \]

f) \[ \frac{5}{7} + \frac{4}{3} = \]

g) \[ 15 \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{8} = \]

h) \[ 18 \frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{5} = \]
2. Angela practiced piano for $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours on Friday, $2 \frac{1}{3}$ hours on Saturday, and $3 \frac{2}{3}$ hours on Sunday. How much time did Angela practice piano during the weekend?

3. String A is $3 \frac{5}{6}$ meters long. String B is $2 \frac{1}{4}$ long. What’s the total length of both strings?

4. Matt says that $5 - 1 \frac{1}{4}$ will be more than 4, since $5 - 1$ is 4. Draw a picture to prove that Matt is wrong.
Lesson 11

Objective: Subtract fractions making like units numerically.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (8 minutes)
- Application Problem (10 minutes)
- Concept Development (32 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (8 minutes)

- Subtracting Fractions from Whole Numbers 4.NF.3a (5 minutes)
- Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Like Units 4.NF.3c (3 minutes)

Subtracting Fractions from Whole Numbers (5 minutes)

T: I’ll say a subtraction sentence. You say the subtraction sentence with answer. 1 – 1 half.
S: 1 – 1 half = 1 half.
T: 2 – 1 half.
S: 2 – 1 half = 1 and 1 half.
T: 3 – 1 half.
S: 3 – 1 half = 2 and 1 half.
T: 7 – 1 half.
S: 7 – 1 half = 6 and 1 half.

Continue with possible sequence:
\[
1 - \frac{1}{3}, 1 - \frac{2}{3}, 2 - \frac{2}{3}, 2 - \frac{1}{4}, 5 - \frac{1}{4}, 5 - \frac{3}{4}.
\]

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

If students struggle to answer verbally, consider an alternative that includes drawing on personal boards:

T: Draw 2 units. (Students draw.)
T: Subtract 1 half. Are we subtracting 1/2 of 1 unit, or both units?
S: Half of 1 unit!
T: Good. Show it now.
T: Write the number sentence.

Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Like Units (3 minutes)

T: I’ll say an addition or subtraction sentence. You say the answer. 3 sevenths + 1 seventh.
S: 4 sevenths.
T: 3 sevenths – 1 seventh.
S: 2 sevenths.

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T: 3 sevenths + 3 sevenths.
S: 6 sevenths.
T: 3 sevenths – 3 sevenths.
S: 0.
T: 4 sevenths + 3 sevenths.
S: 1.
T: I’ll write an addition sentence. You say true or false.
(Write.) \( \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{4}{10} \)
S: False.
T: Say the answer that makes the addition sentence true.
S: 2 fifths + 2 fifths = 4 fifths.
(Write.) \( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = 1 \)
S: True.
(Write.) \( \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{6}{12} \)
S: False.
T: Say the answer that makes the addition sentence true.
S: 5 sixths + 1 sixth = 1.

Application Problem (10 minutes)

Meredith went to the movies. She spent 2/5 of her money on a ticket and 3/7 of her money on popcorn. How much of her money did she spend? (Bonus: How much of her money is left?)

T: Today, I want you to try and solve this problem without drawing. Just write an equation.
T: Talk with your partner for 30 seconds about strategies for how to solve this problem using an equation.

Circulate and listen to student responses.

T: Jackie, will you share?
S: I thought about when I go to the movies and buy a ticket and popcorn. I have to add those two things up. So I am going to add to solve this problem.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:
Assign bonus problems to students who enjoy being challenged. For example, assign fraction addition and subtraction problems that include simplest form:

True or false?
\( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \)
\( \frac{4}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{3}{4} \)

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:
The language of whole numbers is much more familiar to ELLs and students below grade level. Possibly start by presenting the question with whole numbers.

Meredith went to the movies. She spent $9 of her money on a movie and $8 of her money on popcorn. How much money did she spend? If she started with $20, how much is left?
T: Good. David, can you expand on Jackie’s comment with your strategy?
S: The units don’t match. I need to make like units first, then I can add the price of the ticket and popcorn together.
T: Nice observation. I will give you 90 seconds to work with your partner to solve this problem.

Students work.

T: Using the strategies that we learned about adding fractions with unlike units, how can I make like units from fifths and sevenths?
S: Multiply 2 fifths by 7 sevenths and multiply 3 sevenths by 5 fifths.
T: Everyone, say your addition sentence with your new like units.
S: 14 thirty-fifths plus 15 thirty-fifths equals 29 thirty-fifths.
T: Share, please, a sentence about the money Meredith spent.
S: Meredith spent 29 thirty-fifths of her money at the theater.
T: Is 29 thirty-fifths more than or less than a whole? How do you know?
S: Less than a whole because the numerator is less than the denominator.
T: (If time allows.) Did anyone answer the bonus question?
S: Yes!
T: Please share your solution method and statement. Come to the board.

\[
\frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{7} = \left(\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{7}{7}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{5}{5}\right)
\]

\[
\frac{14}{35} + \frac{15}{35} = \frac{29}{35}
\]

Meredith spent \(\frac{29}{35}\) of her money at the theater.

**Concept Development (32 minutes)**

T: Look at this problem. Tell your partner how you might solve it. (Display and give 30 seconds for discussion.)

\[
\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5}
\]

S: I would draw two rectangular models. First I would divide one model into thirds. Then I would horizontally divide the other model into fifths and bracket one fifth. Then I would divide both models the way the other was divided. That way I would create like units. Then I would subtract.

T: What is our like unit for thirds and fifths?
S: Fifteenths.
T: Since we know how to find like units for addition using an equation, let’s use that knowledge to subtract using an equation instead of a picture.
Problem 1

\[
\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5}
\]

T: How many fifteenths are equal to 1 third?
S: 5 fifteenths.

\[
\left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{5}\right) \text{ 5 times as many selected units.}
\]
\[
\left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{5}\right) \text{ 5 times as many units in the whole.}
\]

T: How many fifteenths are equal to 1 fifth?
S: 3 fifteenths.

\[
\left(\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{3}\right) \text{ 3 times as many selected units.}
\]
\[
\left(\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{3}\right) \text{ 3 times as many units in the whole.}
\]

\[
\left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{5}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{3}\right) = \frac{5}{15} - \frac{3}{15} = \frac{2}{15}
\]

T: As with addition, the equation supports what we drew in our model. Say the subtraction sentence with like units.
S: 5 fifteenths – 3 fifteenths = 2 fifteenths.

\[
\frac{5}{15} - \frac{3}{15} = \frac{2}{15}
\]

Problem 2

\[
\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{6}
\]

T: To make 3 fifths into smaller units we will multiply by?
S: 6 sixths.
T: To make 1 sixth into smaller units we will multiply by?
S: 5 fifths.

\[
\left(\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{6}{6}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5}{5}\right) = \n\]

T: What happened to each fraction?
S: The fractions are still equivalent but just smaller units. → We are changing the fractions to be the same size so we can subtract them. → We are partitioning our original fractions into smaller units. The value of the fraction doesn’t change though.
T: Say your subtraction sentence with the like units.
S: 18 thirtieths – 5 thirtieths = 13 thirtieths.

\[
\frac{18}{30} - \frac{5}{30} = \frac{13}{30}
\]

**Problem 3**

\[
1\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{5}
\]

T: What are some different ways we can solve this problem?
S: You can solve it as 2 fifths plus 3/4. Just take the 3/5 from 1 to get 2 fifths and add the 3 fourths. You can add 1 + 3 fourths + 3 fifths. Just add the fractional units and then add the whole number. The whole number can be represented as 4 fourths and added to 3 fourths to equal 7 fourths. Then subtract.

**Method 1**

\[
\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{5}
\]

\[
\frac{15}{20} + \frac{12}{20}
\]

\[
\frac{27}{20}
\]

S: I noticed before we started that 3 fifths is less than 3 fourths, so I changed only the fractional units to twentieths.
Problem 4

\[3 \frac{3}{5} - 2 \frac{1}{2}\]

**Method 1**

\[
\frac{3}{5} - 2 \frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{5}{10} + \frac{6}{10} \\
\frac{11}{10}
\]

**Method 2**

\[
\frac{3}{5} - 2 \frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{3}{5} - \frac{5}{10} \\
\frac{6}{10} - \frac{5}{10} \\
\frac{1}{10}
\]

**Method 3**

\[
\frac{3}{5} - 2 \frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{18}{10} - \frac{5}{2} \\
\frac{1}{10}
\]

T: (After students work.) Let’s confirm the reasonableness of our answer using the number line to show 2 of our methods.

T: For Method 1, draw a number line from 0 to 4.

T: (Support students to see that they would start at 3. Subtract 2 1/2 and add back the 3/5.)

T: (Pause as students work. Circulate and observe.)

T: To show Method 2, draw your number line from 0 to 4, then estimate the location of 3 and 3 fifths.

S: Take away 2 first, then take away the half.

T: Is our answer of 1 1/10 reasonable based on both your number lines?
Problem 5

\[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \]

T: Estimate the answer first by drawing a number line. The difference between 5 3/4 and 3 1/6 will be between which 2 whole numbers?

S: 3/4 fourths is much bigger than a sixth so the answer will be between 2 and 3.

T: Will it be closer to 2 or 2 1/2? Discuss your thinking with a partner.

T: Some of you used twenty-fourths and some of you used twelfths to solve this problem. Were your answers the same?

S: They had the same value. 14/24 can be made into larger units of twos. 7 twos out of 12 twos.

Problem Set (10 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Subtract fractions making like units numerically.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Please take 2 minutes to check your answers with your partner.

T: I will say the subtraction problem. Please say your answers out loud.

Letter a) 1 half – 1 third = ?
S: 1 sixth.
T: (Continue.)
T: Now take the next 2 minutes to discuss with your partner any insights you had while solving these problems.

Allow students to discuss, circulating and listening for conversations that can be shared with the whole class.

T: Sandy, will you share your thinking about Problem 2?
S: George is wrong. He just learned a rule and thinks it is the only way. It’s a good way but you can also make eighths and sixths into twenty-fourths or ninety-sixths.
T: Discuss in pairs if there are advantages to using twenty-fourths or forty-eighths.
S: Sometimes it’s easier to multiply by the opposite denominator. Sometimes bigger denominators just get in the way. Sometimes they are right. Like if you have to find the minutes, you want to keep your fraction out of 60.
S: An example is I saw that on Part (c) I didn’t need to multiply both fractions. I could have just multiplied 3 fourths by 2 halves. Then I would have had 8 as the like unit for both fractions. And then I wouldn’t have had to simplify my answer.
T: Did anyone notice George’s issue applying to any of the other problems on the Problem Set?
S: Yes, Part (c). You could use eighths or thirty-seconds. It was just so much easier to use eighths. Yes, on Part (e) the unit of sixtieths is big but easy. 30 is smaller and a multiple of both 6 and 10. I used sixtieths because I don’t have to think as hard!
T: I notice that many of you are becoming so comfortable with this equation when subtracting unlike units that you don’t have to write the multiplication. You are doing it mentally. However, you still have to check your answers to see if they are reasonable. Discuss with your partner how you use mental math, and also how you make sure your methods and answers are reasonable.
S: It’s true. I just look at the other denominator and multiply. It’s easy. I added instead of subtracted and wouldn’t have even noticed if I hadn’t checked my answer to see that it was bigger than the whole amount I started with! We are learning to find like units, and we may not always need to multiply both fractions. If I don’t slow down, I won’t even notice there are other choices for solving the problem. I like choosing the strategy I want to use. Sometimes it’s easier to use the number bond method and sometimes it’s just easier to subtract from the whole.
Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
1. Generate equivalent fractions to get the same unit, then subtract.

   a) \( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \)
   
   b) \( \frac{7}{10} - \frac{1}{3} = \)

   c) \( \frac{7}{8} - \frac{3}{4} = \)
   
   d) \( 1\frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{8} = \)

   e) \( 1\frac{3}{10} - \frac{1}{6} = \)
   
   f) \( 2\frac{1}{3} - 1\frac{1}{5} = \)

   g) \( 5\frac{6}{7} - 2\frac{2}{3} = \)
   
   h) Draw a number line to show your answer to (g) is reasonable.
2. George says that to subtract fractions with different denominators, you always have to multiply the denominators to find the common unit, for example:

\[
\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{18}{48} - \frac{8}{48}
\]

Show George how he could have chosen a denominator smaller than 48, and solve the problem.

3. Meiling has \(1 \frac{1}{4}\) liter of orange juice. She drinks \(\frac{1}{3}\) liter. How much orange juice does she have left? (Bonus: If her brother then drinks twice as much as Meiling, how much is left?)

4. Harlan used \(3 \frac{1}{2}\) kg of sand to make a large hourglass. To make a small hourglass he only used \(1 \frac{3}{7}\) kg of sand. How much more sand does it take to make the large hourglass than the small one?
Lesson 11 Exit Ticket

Find the common unit and then subtract.

1. \[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{10} = \]

2. \[ 3 \frac{1}{2} - 1 \frac{1}{3} = \]

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Lesson 11: Subtract fractions making like units numerically.
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Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0 Unported License.
1. First find a common unit, then subtract.

   a. \( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5} = \)
   
   b. \( \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{3} = \)

   c. \( \frac{7}{10} - \frac{3}{5} = \)
   
   d. \( 1\frac{5}{6} - \frac{2}{3} = \)

   e. \( 2\frac{1}{4} - 1\frac{1}{5} = \)
   
   f. \( 5\frac{6}{7} - 3\frac{2}{3} = \)

   g. \( 15\frac{7}{8} - 5\frac{3}{4} = \)
   
   h. \( 15\frac{5}{8} - 3\frac{1}{3} = \)
2. Sandy ate $\frac{1}{6}$ of a candy bar. John ate $\frac{3}{4}$ of it. How much more of the candy bar did John eat than Sandy?

3. $4 \frac{1}{2}$ yards of cloth are needed to make a woman’s dress. $2 \frac{2}{7}$ yards of cloth are needed to make a girl’s dress. How much more cloth is needed to make a woman’s dress than a girl’s dress?

4. Bill reads $\frac{1}{5}$ of a book on Monday. He reads $\frac{2}{3}$ of the book on Tuesday. If he finishes reading the book on Wednesday, what fraction of the book did he read on Wednesday?

5. Tank A has a capacity of 9.5 gallons. $6 \frac{1}{3}$ gallons of the tank’s water are poured out. How much water is left in the tank?
Lesson 12
Objective: Subtract fractions greater than or equal to 1.

Suggested Lesson Structure
- Fluency Practice  (12 minutes)
- Application Problems  (10 minutes)
- Concept Development  (28 minutes)
- Student Debrief  (10 minutes)
Total Time  (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice  (12 minutes)
- Sprint  5.NF.1  (12 minutes)

Sprint  (12 minutes)
Materials: (S) Subtracting Fractions with Unlike Units Sprint

Application Problems  (10 minutes)

Problem 1
Max’s reading assignment was to read 15 1/2 pages. After reading 4 1/3 pages, he took a break. How many more pages does he need to read to finish his assignment?

T: Let’s read the problem together.
S: (Students read chorally.)
T: With your partner, share your thoughts about how to solve this problem. (Circulate and listen.)
T: Clara, can you please share your approach?
S: I said that you need to subtract 4 1/3 from 15 1/2 to find the part that is left.
T: Tell me the subtraction problem we need to solve.
S: 15 1/2 − 4 1/3.
T:  Good. This is the same kind of subtraction problem we have been doing since first grade. A part is missing: the pages he has to read to finish.

T: Maggy, read your answer using a complete sentence.
S: Max needed to read 11 and 1 sixth more pages.

Problem 2
Sam and Nathan are training for a race. Monday, Sam ran 2 3/4 miles, and Nathan ran 2 1/3 miles. How much farther did Sam run than Nathan?

T: (After students work.) Max, will you come to the board and show us your solution?
T: (Student can present solution, or the class can analyze it.) Does anyone have questions for Max?

Concept Development (28 minutes)
Materials: (S) Number line template or lined paper

Problem 1
T: Look at these 2 problems and discuss them with your partner.

\[
\begin{align*}
1 \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5} &
1 \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2}
\end{align*}
\]

T: What do you notice?
S: They are the same except the half and the fifth are switched around.
T: Quickly sketch a number line to show each. Discuss the difference with your partner.

T: (After drawing and discussing number lines.) Now you know how to make like units by multiplying. With your partner, show 2 methods for writing the equation. Show one way taking the half from 1, and the other taking the half from 1 and 1 fifth.
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Method 1

\[ \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{10} - \frac{5}{10} = \frac{-3}{10} \]

Method 2

\[ \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{10} - \frac{5}{10} = \frac{-3}{10} \]

Problem 2

\[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{6}{7} \]

Method 1

\[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{6}{7} = \frac{21}{28} - \frac{24}{28} = \frac{-3}{28} \]

Method 2

\[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{6}{7} = \frac{21}{28} - \frac{24}{28} = \frac{-3}{28} \]
Problem 3

\[ \frac{3}{4} - 2 \frac{1}{2} \]

T: Draw a number line. Determine what two numbers your difference will be between.

T: Work with your partner to make sure you understand how each step relates to the number lines.

\[ \text{Method 1} \]
\[ \frac{3}{4} - 2 \frac{1}{2} \]
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\[ \text{Method 2} \]
\[ 1 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{3}{4} \]
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Problem 4

\[ 4 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{2}{3} \]

T: Which is bigger, 1 half or 2 thirds?
S: Two thirds.
T: Are you sure? How do you know?
S: Because you just know that 2 thirds is bigger than 1 half. → Because if you get like units you can see that 1 half is the same as 3 sixths and 2 thirds is the same as 4 sixths.
Students can work with the problem or you can guide them, depending on their skill and understanding.

Method 1

\[ 4 - 3 \frac{2}{3} = 4 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \]
\[ = \frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{6} \]
\[ = \frac{5}{6} \]

Method 2

\[ 1 \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = 1 \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \]
\[ = \frac{9}{6} - \frac{4}{6} \]
\[ = \frac{5}{6} \]

T: Analyze the 2 methods.
S: Method 1 means taking 3 and 2 thirds from 4 and adding back the half.
S: Method 2 takes the whole 3 away from \(4 \frac{1}{2}\) and then subtracts \(\frac{2}{3}\) again.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

ELLs may require use of the number line model to communicate reasoning about mixed number subtraction long after other students are able to communicate their reasoning without pictorial representations. Continue to allow the option until students independently move away from it.
Problem Set (10 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 10 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Subtract fractions greater than or equal to 1.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Take 2 minutes to check your answers with your partner. (Allow students to work.)

T: I will say the problem solutions. Correct your work. (Read solutions.)

T: Today we saw different methods for subtracting. I drew a number bond in some solutions to emphasize how I was thinking about the numbers. Like the number line, it shows a way of thinking. In my work, the number bond shows how I break numbers into parts to make the mathematics easier. Please share with your partner when you used a number bond on your Problem Set.

T: (After sharing.) Jacqueline, explain why you chose to make a number bond on Part (a).

S: It was clear to me how easy it was to just subtract 2 1/4 from 3. That’s just 3/4. I like adding better anyway, so then I just added the fifth after making like units of twentieths.
T: John, explain why you chose not to make a number bond for (g).

S: It just seemed easier to me to subtract the whole numbers first. Right away I know 17 – 5 is 12.

T: I agree. When I was solving the problems, I also subtracted the whole numbers first on that one for the same reason you gave.

S: I’m noticing that I drew a bond when the numbers were really easy to subtract and their difference was less than 1. I figured out that I would have a friendly fraction to add to the other part.

T: That is precisely the same process you used starting in Grade 1.

T: I’m going to list a set of questions. Talk to your partner about how to solve them with a number bond, and how that relates to our work today with fractions.

Grade 1: 14 – 9
Grade 2: 324 – 198
Grade 3: 1 foot 3 inches – 7 inches
Grade 4: 2 kg – 400 g
Grade 5: 1 1/5 – 3/7

S: In Grade 1 there weren’t enough ones to take from the ones. ➔ In Grade 2 we bonded 324 as 200 and 124, so the answer was just 124 + 2. ➔ In Grade 3 we had to convert 1 foot to 12 inches to take away 7 inches. 12 inches minus 7 is 5 inches plus the 3 extra inches. ➔ In Grade 4 we had to convert 1 kg to 1,000 g to take away 400 g, so we ended up with 1 kg and added back the 600 g. ➔ In Grade 5 we have to convert 1 whole into 5 fifths to take away 3 sevenths and then add back 1/5. So it’s 4 sevenths + 1 fifth!

T: Do you notice that every one of the problems has more than one unit? Grade 1 has tens and ones. Grade 2 has hundreds, tens and ones. Grade 3 has feet and inches. Grade 4 has kilograms and grams, and Grade 5 has whole numbers and fractions. It’s important to understand how to play with the units!

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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1. Subtract.

   a) \(3\frac{1}{5} - 2\frac{1}{4} = \)
   
   b) \(4\frac{2}{5} - 3\frac{3}{4} = \)

   c) \(7\frac{1}{5} - 4\frac{1}{3} = \)
   
   d) \(7\frac{2}{5} - 5\frac{2}{3} = \)

   e) \(4\frac{2}{7} - 3\frac{1}{3} = \)
   
   f) \(9\frac{2}{3} - 2\frac{6}{7} = \)

   g) \(17\frac{2}{3} - 5\frac{5}{6} = \)
   
   h) \(18\frac{1}{3} - 3\frac{3}{8} = \)
2. Toby wrote the following:

\[
\frac{7}{4} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{4}{4} = \frac{1}{2}
\]

Is Toby’s calculation correct? Draw a diagram to support your answer.

3. Mr. Neville Iceguy mixed up \(12\frac{3}{5}\) gallons of chili for a party. If \(7\frac{2}{4}\) gallons of chili was mild, and the rest was extra spicy, how much extra spicy chili did Mr. N. Iceguy make?

4. Jazmyne determined to spent \(6\frac{1}{2}\) hours studying over the weekend. She spent \(1\frac{1}{4}\) hours studying on Friday evening and \(2\frac{2}{3}\) hours on Saturday. How much longer does she need to spend studying on Sunday in order to reach her goal?
Lesson 12 Exit Ticket

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Solve the problems.

1. \(5 \frac{1}{2} - 1 \frac{1}{3} = \)

2. \(8 \frac{3}{4} - 5 \frac{5}{6} = \)
1. Subtract.
   
a) \(3 \frac{1}{4} - 2 \frac{1}{3} = \)

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2. Tony wrote the following:

\[7 \frac{1}{4} - 3 \frac{3}{4} = 4 \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4}\]

Is Tony’s statement correct? Draw a diagram to support your answer.
3. Ms. Sanger blended $8\frac{3}{4}$ gallons of iced tea with some lemonade for a picnic. If there were $13\frac{2}{5}$ gallons in the mixture, how many gallons of lemonade did she use?

4. A carpenter has a $10\frac{1}{2}$ foot wood plank. He cuts off $4\frac{1}{4}$ feet to replace the slat of a deck and $3\frac{2}{3}$ feet to repair a bannister. He uses the rest of the plank to fix a stair. How many feet of wood does the carpenter use to fix the stair?
Topic D
Further Applications

5.NF.1, 5.NF.2

Focus Standard:  
5.NF.1 Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators (including mixed numbers) by replacing given fractions with equivalent fractions in such a way as to produce an equivalent sum or difference of fractions with like denominators. For example, 2/3 + 5/4 = 8/12 + 15/12 = 23/12. (In general, a/b + c/d = (ad + bc)/bd.).

5.NF.2 Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole, including cases of unlike denominators, e.g., by using visual fraction models or equations to represent the problem. Use benchmark fractions and number sense of fractions to estimate mentally and assess the reasonableness of answers. For example, recognize an incorrect result 2/5 + 1/2 = 3/7, by observing that 3/7 < 1/2

Instructional Days: 4
Coherence -Links from: G4–M5 Fraction Equivalence, Ordering, and Operations
-Links to: G5–M1 Place Value and Decimal Fractions
G5–M4 Multiplication and Division of Fractions and Decimal Fractions

Topic D opens with students estimating the value of expressions involving sums and differences with fractions. “Is your sum less than or greater than one half? One? How do you know?” Though these conversations have been embedded within almost every Debrief up to this point, by setting aside an instructional day to dig deeply into logical arguments, students see that it is very easy to forget to make sense of numbers when calculating. This is really the theme of this topic: reasoning while using fractions.

Lesson 14 encourages students to look for relationships before calculating, for example, to use the tool of the associative property or what they know about parts and wholes. Looking for relationships allows them to see shortcuts and connections that are so often bypassed in the rush to get the answer.

In Lesson 15, students solve multi-step word problems and actively assess the reasonableness of their answers. In Lesson 16 they explore part-to-whole relationships while solving a challenging problem: “One half of Nell’s money is equal to 2 thirds of Jennifer’s.” This lesson challenges the underlying assumption of all fraction arithmetic—that when adding and subtracting, fractions are always defined in relationship to the same whole amount. The beauty of this exploration is to see students grasp that $\frac{1}{2}$ of one thing can be equivalent to $\frac{2}{3}$ of another!
## A Teaching Sequence Towards Mastery of Further Applications

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Lesson 13

Objective: Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (11 minutes)
- Application Problem (7 minutes)
- Concept Development (32 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (11 minutes)

- From Fractions to Decimals 4.NF.6 (5 minutes)
- Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Unlike Units 5.NF.1 (6 minutes)

From Fractions to Decimals (5 minutes)

Materials: (T) Dry erase board or projector

T: (Project.) \( \frac{1}{10} = \)

T: Say the fraction in unit form.
S: 1 tenth.
T: Say the fraction in decimal form.
S: Zero point one.
T: I’ll say a fraction in unit form. You say the fraction in decimal form. Ready? 3 tenths.
S: 0.3
T: 7 tenths.
S: 0.7.

T: (Project.) \( \frac{1}{2} = \) \( \frac{5}{10} \)

T: Say the equivalent fraction with the missing numerator.
S: 1 half = 5 tenths.

Notes on Multiple Means of Representation:

If students don’t remember how to convert from fractions to decimals, then consider doing a review with the whole class. Fractions can be converted to decimals easily when the denominator is tenths, hundredths, or thousandths. It’s just like converting the fractions into equivalent fractions with the denominator of tenths, hundredths, or thousandths.

You can also draw out the fraction bars that clearly show equivalent fractions (i.e., \( \frac{2}{5} = \frac{4}{10} = 0.4 \). Both \( \frac{2}{5} \) and \( \frac{4}{10} \) have the same values.) The bar models serve as a great visual.
Lesson 13: Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess the reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

T: Say 5 tenths as a decimal.
S: 0.5
T: Say 1 half as a decimal.
S: 0.5
T: Say 3 and 1 half as a decimal.
S: 3.5.

Repeat process for possible sequence:

\[
\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{2}{4}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{25}, \frac{5}{25}, \frac{3}{20}, \frac{1}{11}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{10}, \frac{4}{50}, \frac{3}{50}, \frac{4}{50}
\]

Adding and Subtracting Fractions with Unlike Units (6 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: (Write.) \[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{6}
\]

T: True or false?
S: False.
T: On your personal white boards, write the answer that will make the addition sentence true.
S: (Write.) \[
\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{4}
\]

T: (Project.) \[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{7}{8}
\]

T: True or false?
S: True.
T: Rewrite the addition sentence using like units.
S: (Write.) \[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{4}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{7}{8}
\]

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:
Provide think time for students to process the problem before answering true or false. If necessary, you might also give another few seconds for students to discuss the problem with their partners. Perhaps have them explain to their partners why they think a problem is true or false. This pausing allows gives them the time they need to own their ideas.
Lesson 13

Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess the reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

Application Problem (7 minutes)

Mark jogged 3 5/7 km. His sister jogged 2 4/5 km. How much farther did Mark jog than his sister?

Remind students to approach the problem with the RDW strategy. This is a very brief Application Problem. As you circulate while students work, quickly assess which work you will select for a short two or three minute debrief.

Concept Development (32 minutes)

T: Look at this problem. Tell your partner how you would solve it. (Display the problem and allow 30 seconds for discussion.)

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}
\]
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Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess the reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

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NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

If students are not ready to estimate the sum or difference of a fraction sentence, consider doing a mini pre-lesson or a fluency activity on estimating a single fraction before moving onto this lesson.

For example:
1. Is 3/4 closer to 0, 1/2, or 1 whole?
2. Is 2/7 closer to 0, 1/2, or 1 whole?
3. Is 9/10 closer to 0, 1/2, or 1 whole?
4. Is 1 6/7 closer to 1, 1 1/2, or 2?
5. Is 3 4/7 closer to 3, 3 1/2, or 4?

If necessary, write each fraction on a sentence strip (using it as a number line) and label it. This way, students can easily see whether the fraction is closer to 0, 1/2, or 1 whole.

PROBLEM 1

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}
\]

T: Think about this expression without solving it using paper and pencil. Share your analysis with a partner.

S: 1/2 could be 50% of something or 50 cents of a dollar. → I know that 1/2 is the same as 5 tenths or 0.5 as a decimal. → I know 1/2 is more than half because half of a whole is 2 fourths. → 3/4 is the same as 75%, just like money. 3 quarters equal 75 cents.

T: What do you know about the total value of this expression without solving?

S: Since 3/4 is more than half and we need to add 1/2 more, the answer will be greater than 1.

\[
\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} > 1
\]

S: It's like adding 50 cents and 75 cents. The answer will be more than 1 dollar. → 1/2 + 2/4 = 1, but there's still a leftover of 1/4. → The total answer is 1 1/4.
Lesson 13

Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess the reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

Problem 2

\[1 \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{3}\]

T: Without calculating, what do you know about value of this expression? Talk to your partner.

S: I see that it’s a subtraction problem. 2/5 is less than 1/2 and 2/3 is more than 1/2. \(\rightarrow\) I know that 2/3 can’t be subtracted from 2/5 because 2/3 is larger, so we’ll need to subtract from 1 whole. \(\rightarrow\) I can convert 1 2/5 to 7/5 in my head.

T: Do you think the answer is more than 1 or less than 1? Turn and share.

\[
1 \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{3} < 1
\]

S: Less than 1 because 1/5 is less than 1/3 so 2/5 is less than 2/3. \(\rightarrow\) The answer is less than 1 because I can create equivalent fractions in my head and solve. 1/5 = 3/15, 1/3 = 5/15, 3/15 + 1/3 = 8/15.

Problem 3

\[
\frac{4}{10} + \frac{1}{3}
\]

T: Use reasoning skills decide if the answer is more than 1 or less than 1/2. Work with your partner.

Allow a minute for students to analyze and discuss the problem. Circulate and listen. If students seem to be lost or off track with their thinking, then you might use some of the following questions:

- Is 4/10 more than 1 half or less than 1 half?
- Is 4/10 closer to 0 or 1 whole?
- What’s half of 10 tenths?
- What’s 4/10 as a decimal?
- How much money is 4 tenths?
- Is 1/3 closer to 0 or 1 whole?
- Is 1/3 more than 1 half or less than 1 half?

**NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:**

When students are solving problems with partners and continue to struggle even with guided questions, consider asking them to use personal boards to draw a number line. They can use it to estimate one fraction at a time, then estimate the final answer.

For example:

\[
\frac{4}{10} + \frac{1}{3}
\]

Draw a number line for \(\frac{4}{10}\) \(\rightarrow\) \(\frac{4}{10}\) \(\approx\) less than 1 half.

Draw a number line for \(\frac{1}{3}\) \(\rightarrow\) \(\frac{1}{3}\) \(\approx\) less than 1 half.

Less than 1/2 + less than 1/2 < 1

\[
\frac{4}{10} + \frac{1}{3} < 1
\]

**NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:**

Because both addends are clearly less than half, this is an easy question. For advanced students, let them determine if 3/10 + 2/3 is less than, equal to, or greater than 1. Encourage them NOT to solve the problem until they have determined their reasoning.
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Problem 4

\[ \frac{4}{10} + \frac{2}{9} \]

T: Share your analysis of this expression with your partner.

S: I see that it’s an addition problem. \( \frac{4}{10} \) is less than \( \frac{1}{2} \), because \( \frac{4}{10} = 0.4 \). \( \Rightarrow \) I agree. I also noticed that \( \frac{2}{9} \) is less than \( \frac{1}{2} \) because half of 9 is 4.5, and 2 is less than 4.5. \( \Rightarrow \) Both fractions are closer to 0 than closer to 1 whole.

T: Is the answer less than or greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)?

S: 4 tenths is really close to a half. It only needs \( \frac{1}{10} \) to be one half. \( \Rightarrow \) I’m asking myself: Is \( \frac{2}{9} \) greater than \( \frac{1}{10} \)? If it is, the answer will be greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \). \( \Rightarrow \) \( \frac{2}{9} \) has to be greater than \( \frac{1}{10} \) because it’s close to 1 fourth or \( \frac{2}{8} \).

T: Verify to see.

\[ \frac{4}{10} + \frac{2}{9} > \frac{1}{2} \]

Problem 5

\[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{9}{10} \]

T: Think about this expression with your partner.

S: \( \frac{4}{7} \) is more than \( \frac{1}{2} \), and \( \frac{9}{10} \) is \( \frac{1}{10} \) away from 1 whole. \( \Rightarrow \) I know that \( \frac{9}{10} \) can’t be subtracted from \( \frac{4}{7} \), because \( \frac{9}{10} \) is larger, so we’ll need to subtract from 1 whole. \( \Rightarrow \) I would use \( 1 - \frac{9}{10} = \frac{1}{10} \). \( \Rightarrow \) I agree. Now we have a leftover of \( \frac{1}{10} + \frac{5}{7} \).

T: Is the value of this expression greater than or less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)?

S: I think it’s more than \( \frac{1}{2} \) because I know \( \frac{4}{7} \) alone is already more than \( \frac{1}{2} \).

S: 1 less than 1 and \( \frac{4}{7} \) is going to be more than half. \( \frac{9}{10} \) is less than 1, so \( \frac{9}{10} \) less than 1 and \( \frac{4}{7} \) is going to be greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \).

\[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{9}{10} > \frac{1}{2} \]
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Problem 6

\[ \frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{8} \]

T: Reason about this problem with your partner. Is the value of the expression more than \( \frac{1}{2} \) or less?

Use the following questions to support:

- Is \( \frac{4}{5} \) more than \( \frac{1}{2} \) or less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)?
- Is \( \frac{4}{5} \) closer to 0 or 1 whole?
- What’s half of 5 fifths?
- Can you convert 4 fifths to tenths or a decimal in your head? What is it?
- Is \( \frac{1}{8} \) more than \( \frac{1}{2} \) or less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)?
- Is \( \frac{1}{8} \) closer to 0 or 1 whole?

\[ \frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{8} > \frac{1}{2} \]

Problem 7

\[ 2\frac{1}{3} + 3\frac{1}{5} - \frac{6}{8} \]

S: I first need to estimate the total for both equations, then I can compare them. I’ll first add up the whole numbers on the left, then compare them because they’re the larger place values. If the wholes are equal, then I’ll estimate the fractions and compare them.

Allow two minutes for students to analyze and discuss the problem. Circulate and listen. If students seem to be lost or off track with their thinking, use the following questions to guide discussion and thinking. What do you think about 2 1/3 and 3 1/5?

- What’s the total of the whole numbers on the left?
- How do you compare the whole numbers?
- What do you think about 1/3 and 1/5?
- Are 1/3 and 1/5 closer to 0 or 1 whole?
- What is your estimation of 1/3 + 1/5? More than 1 or less than 1?
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NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

ELLs and students with disabilities might require more examples and more time to process. If necessary, when the class is working on classwork independently, pull out a small group to do more examples.

Allow students to use the actual fraction pieces to estimate if you have them. If not, allow them to draw out the fractions on personal white boards.

Problem 8

Have students work in partners or individually for the last problem, and then review as a class.

\[
\frac{9}{10} - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{7}
\]

Solution:

\[
\frac{9}{10} - \frac{1}{8} > \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{7}
\]

Problem Set (12 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 12 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Use fraction benchmark numbers to assess the reasonableness of addition and subtraction equations.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.
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T: Bring your Problem Set to the Debrief. Share, check, and/or explain your answers to your partner.

S: (Students work together for 2 minutes. Circulate and listen to explanations. Analyze the work you see to determine which student solutions you will display to support your lesson objective.)

T: (Go over answers or select individual students to explain the thinking process that led them to a correct answer.)

T: What did you learn today? Turn and share with your partner.

S: I can use my reasoning skills to estimate fraction answers. When I estimate fraction answers, I should be thinking about how that fraction is closer to 0, 1/2, or 1 whole. That’ll make it easier for me to do mental math. I learned to estimate fractions and answers mentally. It reminds me of rounding. If I’m adding 2 fractions that are more than 1/2, then the answer will be more than 1 whole.

T: (Optional as time allows. The following is a suggested list of questions to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience. Use those that resonate for you as you consider what will best support your students’ ability to articulate the focus of the lesson.)

- Why do mathematicians agree it is wise to estimate before calculating?
- Think about what happens to your reasoning when you are calculating.
- Why do mathematicians agree it is wise to estimate after calculating?

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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1. Are the following greater than or less than 1? Circle the correct answer.

   a) \( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{7} \)  greater than 1  less than 1
   b) \( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{5} \)  greater than 1  less than 1
   c) \( 1 \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \)  greater than 1  less than 1
   d) \( 3 \frac{5}{8} - 2 \frac{5}{9} \)  greater than 1  less than 1

2. Are the following greater than or less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)? Circle the correct answer.

   a) \( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} \)  greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)
   b) \( \frac{3}{7} - \frac{1}{8} \)  greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)
   c) \( 1 \frac{1}{7} - \frac{7}{8} \)  greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)
   d) \( \frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{6} \)  greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

3. Use > , < , or = to make the following statements true.

   a) \( 5 \frac{2}{3} + 3 \frac{3}{4} \)  _____ \( 8 \frac{2}{3} \)
   b) \( 4 \frac{5}{8} - 3 \frac{2}{5} \)  _____ \( 1 \frac{5}{8} + \frac{2}{5} \)
   c) \( 5 \frac{1}{2} + 1 \frac{3}{7} \)  _____ \( 6 + \frac{13}{14} \)
   d) \( 15 \frac{4}{7} - 11 \frac{2}{5} \)  _____ \( 4 \frac{4}{7} + \frac{2}{5} \)
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4. Is it true that $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{2}{3} = 1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{3}$? Prove your answer.

5. Jackson needs to be $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches taller in order to ride the roller coaster. Since he can’t wait, he puts on a pair of boots that add $1\frac{1}{6}$ inches to his height, and slips an insole inside to add another $\frac{1}{8}$ inches to his height. Will this make Jackson appear tall enough to ride the roller coaster?

6. A baker needs 5 lb of butter for a recipe. She found 2 portions that each weigh $1\frac{1}{6}$ lb and a portion that weighs $2\frac{2}{7}$ lb. Does she have enough butter for her recipe?
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Circle the correct answer.

1. \( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{12} \) greater than 1 less than 1

2. \( 2\frac{7}{8} + 1\frac{7}{9} \) greater than 1 less than 1

3. \( 1\frac{1}{12} - \frac{7}{10} \) greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \) less than

4. \( \frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{8} \) greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \) less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

5. Use >, <, or = to make the following statement true.

\[ \frac{4}{5} + \frac{2}{3} \quad \underline{=} \quad 8\frac{1}{2} \]
1. Are the following greater than or less than 1? Circle the correct answer.

   a) \( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{9} \)  
      greater than 1  
      less than 1

   b) \( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{3}{5} \)  
      greater than 1  
      less than 1

   c) \( 1\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3} \)  
      greater than 1  
      less than 1

   d) \( 4\frac{3}{5} - 3\frac{3}{4} \)  
      greater than 1  
      less than 1

2. Are the following greater than or less than 1/2? Circle the correct answer.

   e) \( \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{4} \)  
      greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  
      less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

   f) \( \frac{6}{7} - \frac{1}{6} \)  
      greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  
      less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

   g) \( 1\frac{1}{7} - \frac{5}{6} \)  
      greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  
      less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

   h) \( \frac{4}{7} + \frac{1}{8} \)  
      greater than \( \frac{1}{2} \)  
      less than \( \frac{1}{2} \)

3. Use >, <, or = to make the following statements true.

   i) \( 5\frac{4}{5} + 2\frac{2}{3} \)  
      \( \underline{\quad} \)  
      \( 8\frac{3}{4} \)

   j) \( 3\frac{4}{7} - 2\frac{3}{5} \)  
      \( \underline{\quad} \)  
      \( 1\frac{4}{7} + \frac{3}{5} \)

   k) \( 4\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{4}{9} \)  
      \( \underline{\quad} \)  
      \( 5 + \frac{13}{18} \)

   l) \( 10\frac{3}{8} - 7\frac{3}{5} \)  
      \( \underline{\quad} \)  
      \( 3\frac{2}{8} + \frac{3}{5} \)
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4. Is it true that \( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{4} = 1 + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{4} \)? Prove your answer.

5. A tree limb hangs \( \frac{5}{4} \) feet from a telephone wire. The city trims back the branch before it grows within \( 2\frac{1}{2} \) feet of the wire. Will the city allow the tree to grow \( 2\frac{3}{4} \) more feet?

6. Mr. Kreider wants to paint two doors and several shutters. It takes \( 2\frac{1}{8} \) gallons of paint to coat each door and \( 1\frac{3}{5} \) gallons of paint to coat his shutters. If Mr. Kreider buys three 2-gallon cans of paint, does he have enough to complete the job?
Lesson 14

Objective: Strategize to solve multi-term problems.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (13 minutes)
- Application Problems (10 minutes)
- Concept Development (27 minutes)
- Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (13 minutes)

- Sprint: Make Larger Units 4.NF.1 (10 minutes)
- Happy Counting with Mixed Numbers 4.NF.3a (3 minutes)

Sprint (10 minutes)

Materials: (S) Make Larger Units Sprint

Example: Make units of 2. 2/6 = 1 x 2/3 x 2 = 1/3

Happy Counting with Mixed Numbers (3 minutes)

T: Let’s count by 1/2 with mixed numbers. Ready? (Teacher rhythmically points up until a change is desired. Show a closed hand, then point down. Continue, mixing it up).

S: 1/2, 1 1/2, 2 (stop), 1 1/2, 1, 1/2, 0 (stop), 1/2, 1, 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4 (stop), 3 1/2, 3, 2 1/2, 2, 1 1/2, 1 (stop), 1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, 5.

T: Excellent. Try it for 30 seconds with your partner. Partner A, you are the teacher today.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

The Sprint depends greatly on students’ knowledge of their factors. Below grade level students often are not fluent with their basic facts. The day before administering this Sprint, discreetly call below grade-level students to meet with you in order to give them a copy of the next day’s Sprint. This is very motivating. Now they have a reason to study and practice.
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Application Problems (10 minutes)

For a large order, Mr. Magoo made 3/8 kg of fudge in his bakery. He then got 1/6 kg from his sister’s bakery. If he needs a total of 1 1/2 kg, how much more fudge does he need to make?


Concept Development (27 minutes)

Problem 1

\[
\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{5} =
\]

T: Now that you have solved these two problems, consider how they are the same and how they are different.

S: Both problems had three parts that we knew. → True, but actually in the fudge problem, the one part was the whole amount. → The fudge problem had a missing part but the milk problem was missing the whole amount of milk. → So, for the fudge problem we had to subtract from 1 1/2 kg. For the milk problem we had to add up the three parts to find the total amount of milk.
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T: Look at this problem. What do you notice? Turn and share with a partner.

S: I see that it’s an addition problem adding thirds and fifths.

S: I see that I can add up the thirds and I can also add the fifths together.

T: Can you solve this problem mentally? Turn and share.

S: (Students share.)

T: Are we finding a part or whole?

S: Whole.

S: 2/3 plus 1/3 equals 1 whole. 1/5 plus 1 4/5 equals 2 wholes. Finally, 1 plus 2 equals 3.

T: Excellent. We can rearrange the problem and solve it using Sam’s strategy.

\[
\left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} + 1\frac{4}{5}\right) = 1 + 2 = 3
\]

Problem 2

\[
\frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{2} =
\]

S: I see that it’s a subtraction problem. I see that denominators are in eighths and halves. They need to be the same in order for me to subtract. Without looking at the mixed numbers, I see two 7/8’s and two 1/2’s.

T: Yes. This is a subtraction problem. Analyze the parts and wholes. Turn and share.

S: 5 7/8 is the whole amount. 7/8 is a part being taken away. That makes 5. 1 1/2 and 1/2 are both parts being taken away. If I combine them, I’m taking away 2. 5 – 2 = 3. We can combine all the parts and make a bigger part, then subtract from the whole.

\[
\frac{5}{8} - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{7}{8} + 1\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{5}{8} - 2\frac{7}{8} = 3
\]

\[
\left(\frac{5}{8} - \frac{7}{8}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}\right) = 5 – 2 = 3
\]
Problem 3

\[
\frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{2\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6}}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = 2 \frac{2}{3}
\]

Problem 4

\[
\frac{14}{3} + \_ + \frac{9}{4} = \frac{8\frac{11}{12}}{12}
\]

T: Let's analyze this fraction equation. Share with your partner: What do you notice about this fraction equation?

S: This is an addition problem and I have the answer of 8 11/12 on the right hand side. \(\Rightarrow\) I'm missing a part that is needed to make the whole amount of 8 11/12. \(\Rightarrow\) 14/3 is a part, too.

S: I can add the parts and subtract them from the whole amount to find that mystery number. \(\Rightarrow\) Find the sum of the parts and take them from the whole.

T: Go ahead and solve for the missing part. You can use paper and pencil if you wish.

\[
8\frac{11}{12} - (\frac{14}{3} + \frac{9}{4}) = 8 \frac{11}{12} - (4 \frac{2}{3} + 2 \frac{1}{4}) = 8 \frac{11}{12} - (4 \frac{8}{12} + 2 \frac{3}{12}) = 8 \frac{11}{12} - 6 \frac{11}{12} = 2
\]

Problem 5

\[
\_ - 15 - \frac{1}{2} = 7 \frac{3}{5}
\]

S: I see that it's a subtraction problem. Something minus 15 minus 4 1/2 equals 7 3/5. \(\Rightarrow\) The whole is missing in this problem and everything else is a part. \(\Rightarrow\) I can add up all the parts together to find the whole.
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NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:
The problems on this particular Problem Set may require more room than the Problem Set offers. Be aware that students do well to have a math notebook or journal. When a Problem Set has a set of challenging problems, assign pairs to solve them on the board as others use paper so that they are easier to review. It is also much more engaging for the students to see their peers’ solutions.

S: The whole is missing, so we’ll add up all the parts to find the whole. I can rewrite the problem like this:

\[ \_
\_ - 15 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{7}{5} \]

\[ 15 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5} = \_ \]

\[ = 15 + 4 \frac{5}{10} + 7 \frac{6}{10} \]
\[ = 26 \frac{11}{10} \]
\[ = 27 \frac{1}{10} \]

Problem 6

T: I would like you to try to solve this problem with your partner. You have two minutes.

\[ 6 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{5} - \_ = 5 \]

Allow two minutes for students to analyze and discuss the problem without calculating, just formulating their thoughts about how to solve.

T: Go ahead and solve the problem.

\[ 6 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{5} - \_ = 5 \]

\[ = (6 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{5}) - 5 \]
\[ = 6 \frac{15}{20} + \frac{12}{20} - 5 \]
\[ = 6 \frac{27}{20} - 5 \]
\[ = 7 \frac{7}{20} - 5 \]
\[ = 2 \frac{7}{20} \]

Problem Set (14 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 14 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.
Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Strategize to solve multi-term problems.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: When rearranging the terms in the top section of the activity sheet, talk to your partner about what you looked for to help you solve the problems easily.

S: We grouped to make whole numbers. → By grouping fractions to make whole numbers it was easy to add or subtract. → I looked for numbers in different forms. It was harder to see the pairs if the denominators were different or if they weren’t written as mixed numbers.

T: What about in Section B?

S: That was so much harder! I was really surprised the answer to Part (c) was 1. I didn’t expect that so it made me go back and look at the relationships in the problem.

T: Talk to your partner about some of the skills you had to use to solve these problems.

S: We had to analyze part and whole relationships. → I had to recognize when there were easy like units. → We had to move back and forth between decimals and fractions in Part (f) and in the second word problem about the volunteers, too. → We had to think hard about the problems that had addition and subtraction problems and whether to add or subtract something.

T: This was a challenging activity.

S: We had to really think!
T: Let’s go over the last problem about the volunteers. I would say it was related to Part (b) on the front side. Explain my thinking to your partner.

T: (After students talk.) Which of the problems on the front side of the Problem Set would you relate to the problem of the gardening soil?

T: (After students talk.) Review the process you used on two problems. First, review a problem that was very easy for you. Then, review the process on a problem that was very challenging for you.

**Exit Ticket (3 minutes)**

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Lesson 14: Strategize to solve multi-term problems.

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1. Rearrange the terms so that you can add or subtract mentally, then solve.
   a) \( \frac{1}{4} + 2\frac{2}{3} + 7\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \) 
   b) \( 2\frac{3}{5} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \) 
   c) \( 4\frac{3}{7} - \frac{3}{4} - 2\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{7} \) 
   d) \( \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{6} \)

2. Fill in the blank to make the statement true.
   a) \( 11\frac{2}{5} - 3\frac{2}{3} - \frac{11}{3} = \) ______
   b) \( 11\frac{2}{8} + 3\frac{1}{5} - \) ______ = 15
   c) \( \frac{5}{12} - \) ______ + \( \frac{5}{4} = \frac{2}{3} \)
   d) ______ - 30 - 7\frac{1}{4} = 21\frac{2}{3}
Lesson 14 Problem Set

3. DeAngelo needs 100 lb of garden soil to landscape a building. In the company’s storage area, he finds 2 cases holding 24 3/4 lb of garden soil each, and a third case holding 19 3/8 lb. How much gardening soil does DeAngelo still need in order to do the job?

4. Volunteers helped clean up 8.2 kg of trash in one neighborhood and 11 1/2 kg in another. They sent 1 1/4 kg to be recycled and threw the rest away. How many kilograms of trash did they throw away?
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Fill in the blank to make the statement true.

1. \(1 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + _____ = 7 \frac{1}{2}\)  
2. \(8 \frac{4}{5} - \frac{2}{3} - _____ = 3 \frac{1}{10}\)
1. Rearrange the terms so that you can add or subtract mentally, then solve.

   a) $1 \frac{3}{4} + 1 \frac{1}{2} + 1 \frac{1}{4} + 1 \frac{1}{2}$
   
   b) $3 \frac{1}{6} - 3 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$

   d) $5 \frac{5}{8} - 2 \frac{6}{7} - \frac{2}{7} - \frac{5}{8}$
   
   d) $\frac{7}{9} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{9}$

2. Fill in the blank to make the statement true.

   g) $7 \frac{3}{4} - 1 \frac{2}{7} - \frac{3}{2} = \underline{\quad}$
   
   h) $9 \frac{5}{6} + 1 \frac{1}{4} + \underline{\quad} = 14$

   i) $\frac{7}{10} - \underline{\quad} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{6}{5}$
   
   j) $\underline{\quad} - 20 - 3 \frac{1}{4} = 14 \frac{5}{8}$

   k) $\frac{17}{3} + \underline{\quad} + \frac{5}{2} = 10 \frac{4}{5}$
   
   l) $23.1 + 1 \frac{7}{10} - \underline{\quad} = \frac{66}{10}$
3. Laura bought $8 \frac{3}{10}$ yd of ribbon. She used $1 \frac{2}{5}$ yd to tie a package and $2 \frac{1}{3}$ to make a bow. Joe later gave her $\frac{4}{5}$ yd. How much ribbon does she now have?

4. Mia bought $10 \frac{1}{9}$ lb of flour. She used $2 \frac{3}{4}$ lb of flour to bake a banana cake and some to bake a chocolate cake. After baking the two cakes, she had $3 \frac{5}{6}$ lb of flour left. How much flour did she use to bake the chocolate cake?
Lesson 15

Objective: Solve multi-step word problems; assess reasonableness of solutions using benchmark numbers.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (12 minutes)
- Concept Development (36 minutes)
- Student Debrief (12 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Sprint 4.NF.2 (12 minutes)

Sprint (12 minutes)

Materials: (S) Circle the Smallest Fraction Sprint

Concept Development (36 minutes)

Materials: (S) Problem Set, personal white boards

Problem 1

In a race, the second place finisher crossed the finish line 1 1/3 minutes after the winner. The third place finisher was 1 3/4 minutes behind the second place finisher. The third place finisher took 34 2/3 minutes. How long did the winner take?

T: Let’s read the problem together.
(Students read chorally.) Now, share with your partner: What do you see when you hear the story?
T: (Students share.) Explain to your partner how you are going to draw this problem.
S: (Students share.)

The 1st place time was 31 min 35 sec.

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\begin{align*}
34 \frac{2}{3} - 1\frac{1}{3} &= 33 \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \\
&= 33 \frac{8}{12} - \frac{9}{12} \\
&= 32 \frac{5}{12} - \frac{9}{12} \\
&= 32 \frac{11}{12} - \frac{1}{12} \\
&= 31 \frac{11}{12} - \frac{4}{12} \\
&= 31 \frac{7}{12} \\
31 \frac{7}{12} \text{ min} &= 31 \frac{35}{60} \text{ min} = 31 \text{ min} 35 \text{ sec}
\end{align*}
\]
Lesson 15: Solve multi-step word problems; assess reasonableness of solutions using benchmark numbers.

T: Ming, could you share your method of drawing?
S: The first sentence tells me that the second finisher took 1 1/3 minutes longer than the winner. So I’ll draw 2 bars. The second bar represents the second finisher with a longer bar and with the difference of 1 1/3 minutes.

T: Betty, can you add more to Ming’s drawing?
S: The second sentence says the third finisher took 1 3 minutes longer than the second finisher. So I’ll draw a longer bar for the third finisher, and label the difference of 1 3/4 minutes.

T: Steven, can you add anything else to the drawing?
S: The third sentence tells us the third finisher’s minutes. So I can label the third bar with 34 2/3 minutes.

T: Excellent. The question now is to find the winner’s time. How are you going to solve this problem? Turn and share with your partner.

S: We have to find the second finisher’s time first, then we can find the winner’s time. → We know the third finisher’s time but don’t know the second finisher’s time. We can solve it by subtracting. → Use the third finisher’s time to subtract 1 3/4 to find the second finisher’s time. Then use the second finisher’s time to subtract 1 1/3 to find the winner’s time.

T: Great. Let’s first find the second finisher’s time. What’s the subtraction sentence?
S: 34 2/3 – 1 3/4
   = 34 8/12 – 1 9/12
   = 33 20/12 – 1 9/12
   = 32 11/12

T: What does 32 11/12 mean?
S: The second finisher’s time is 32 11/12 minutes.

T: Let’s now find the winner’s time. What’s the subtraction sentence?
S: 32 11/12 – 1 1/3
   = 32 11/12 – 1 4/12
   = 31 7/12

T: What’s the word sentence to answer the question?
S: The winner’s time was 31 7/12 minutes.

T: How do I convert 31 7/12 minutes to minutes and seconds? Turn and share with your partner.
T: Alanzo, can you share your thinking with us?
S: 3 1 7/12 minutes means there are 31 minutes and 7/12 of a minute. I need to convert 7/12 into seconds.

T: Linda, what do you think?
S: I agree with Alanzo. I know there are 60 seconds in a minute, so I’ll convert 7 twelfths to 35 sixtieths.

T: Very good. \( \frac{7}{12} = \frac{35}{60} \). What’s the winner’s time in minutes and seconds?

S: The winner’s time was 31 minutes and 35 seconds.

Problem 2

John used \( 1\frac{3}{4} \) kg of salt to melt the ice on his sidewalk. He then used another \( 3\frac{4}{5} \) kg on the driveway. If he originally bought 10 kg of salt, how much does he have left?

T: Let’s read the problem together. (Students read chorally.) What do you see when you hear the story? Turn and share.

T: (Students share.) How are you going to draw this problem? Turn and share.

S: (Students share.)

T: I’ll give you one minute to draw.

T: Explain to your partner what conclusions you can make from your drawing.

T: (After a brief exchange.) May, could you share your method of drawing?

S: Since I know he bought 10 kg of salt, I’ll draw a whole bar and label it 10 kg. He used some salt for the sidewalk and some for the driveway. I’ll draw two shorter bars under the whole bar and label them 1 \( \frac{3}{4} \) kg and 3 \( \frac{4}{5} \) kg.

T: How much salt does he have left? How do we solve this problem? Turn and share.

S: I can use the total of 10 kg to subtract the two parts to find the left over part. \( \Rightarrow \) I can add up the two parts to make them a bigger part, then I’ll subtract that from the whole of 10 kg.

T: You have four minutes to solve the problem.
Problem Set (20 minutes)

Students should do their personal best to complete the Problem Set within the allotted 20 minutes. For some classes, it may be appropriate to modify the assignment by specifying which problems they work on first. Some problems do not specify a method for solving. Students solve these problems using the RDW approach used for Application Problems.

Problem 3

Sinister Stan stole 3 3/4 oz of slime from Messy Molly, but his evil plans required 6 3/8 oz of slime. He stole another 2 3/5 oz from Rude Ralph. How much more slime does Sinister Stan need for his evil plan?

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\begin{align*}
3 \frac{3}{4} + 2 \frac{3}{5} &= \frac{15}{4} + \frac{13}{10} \\
&= \frac{51}{20} \\
&= 2 \frac{11}{20} \\
6 \frac{3}{8} - 6 \frac{7}{20} &= \frac{3}{8} - \frac{7}{20} \\
&= \frac{15}{40} - \frac{14}{40} \\
&= \frac{1}{40}
\end{align*}
\]

Sinister Stan needs \( \frac{1}{40} \) ounce of slime.

Problem 4

Gavin had 20 minutes to do a three-problem quiz. He spent 9 3/4 minutes on question 1 and 3 4/5 minutes on question 2. How much time did he have left for question 3? Write the answer in minutes and seconds.

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\begin{align*}
#1 & \quad #2 & \quad #3 \\
9 \frac{3}{4} & \quad 3 \frac{1}{2} & \quad ? \\
20 - 9 \frac{3}{4} - 3 \frac{1}{2} &= 19 \frac{5}{20} - 9 \frac{15}{20} - 3 \frac{10}{20} \\
&= 10 \frac{5}{20} - 3 \frac{15}{20} \\
&= 9 \frac{5}{20} - 3 \frac{15}{20} \\
&= 6 \frac{9}{20}
\end{align*}
\]

He had 6 minutes 27 seconds left for question 3.
Problem 5
Matt wants to save 2 1/2 minutes on his 5K race time. After a month of hard training, he managed to lower his overall time from 21 1/5 minutes to 19 1/4 minutes. By how many more minutes does Matt need to lower his race time?

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\begin{align*}
21\frac{1}{5} - 19\frac{1}{4} &= 21\frac{4}{20} - 19\frac{5}{20} \\
&= 1\frac{9}{20}
\end{align*}
\]

Matt needs to save \(\frac{11}{20}\) min off his race time.

Student Debrief (12 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Solve multi-step word problems; assess reasonableness of solutions using benchmark numbers.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience. Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Bring your Problem Set to the Debrief. Share, check, and/or explain your answers to your partner.

S: (Students work together for 2 minutes. Circulate and listen to explanations. Analyze the work you see to determine which student solutions you will display to support your lesson objective.)

T: (Teacher goes over answers.) Let’s read Problem 4 together and we’ll take a look at 2 different solution strategies.

S: Gavin had 20 minutes to do a three-problem quiz. He spent 9 3/4 minutes on Problem 1 and 3 4/5 minutes on Problem 2. How much time did he have left for Problem 3? Write the answer in minutes and seconds.

T: Discuss what you notice about the two different drawings. (Allow time for students to share.)
T: Jaron, would you share your thinking?
S: The first drawing labeled the whole on the bottom. The second drawing labeled it on the side.
T: How are the drawings similar? Turn and share.
S: (Students share.)
T: Keri, what do you think?
S: Both drawings labeled the time for the 3 questions. They also labeled the total amount of time, which is 20 minutes.
T: Let’s look at them closely. How did Student A solve the problem? Turn and share.
S: Student A used the total of 20 minutes to subtract the time spent on Problem 1 and 2 to find the left over time. Then the student converted 6 9/20 to 6 minutes and 45 seconds.
T: How did Student B solve the problem? Turn and share.
S: Student B converted all the mixed numbers into minutes and seconds. Then they used the 20 minutes to subtract the time spent on question 1, which is 9 minutes 45 seconds, and the time spent for question 2, which is 3 minutes 48 seconds. 6 minutes 27 seconds were left over for question 3.
T: Which solution strategies did you like better?
S: The first one. The first one is a lot shorter than the second one. The second seems like it should be easy, but it took a long time to write it out with all of the minutes and seconds. Because it was twentieths, it was really easy to change it to minutes and seconds from 6 9/20 minutes: I just multiplied the fraction by 3 thirds.

Optional as time allows:
T: The following is a suggested list of questions to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience. Use those that resonate for you as you consider what will best support your students’ ability to articulate the focus of the lesson.)
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- Did anyone else solve the problem differently? (Students come up and explain their solution strategies to the class.)
- What did you get better at today?

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
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Solve the word problems using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

1. In a race, the second place finisher crossed the finish line $1 \frac{1}{3}$ minutes after the first place finisher. The third place finisher was $1 \frac{3}{4}$ minutes behind the second place finisher. The third place finisher took $34 \frac{2}{3}$ minutes. How long did the first place finisher take?

2. John used $1 \frac{3}{4}$ kg of salt to melt the ice on his sidewalk. He then used another $3 \frac{4}{5}$ kg on the driveway. If he originally bought 10 kg of salt, how much does he have left?

3. Sinister Stan stole $3 \frac{3}{4}$ oz of slime from Messy Molly, but his evil plans required $6 \frac{3}{8}$ oz of slime. He stole another $2 \frac{3}{5}$ oz from Rude Ralph. How much more slime does Sinister Stan need for his evil plan?
4. Gavin went to a book store with $20. He spent 9 3/4 of his money on a book and 3 4/5 on a poster. What fraction of his money did he have left? Write the answer in dollars and cents.

5. Matt wants to save 2 1/2 minutes on his 5K race time. After a month of hard training he managed to lower his overall time from 21 1/5 minutes to 19 1/4 minutes. By how many more minutes does Matt need to lower his race time?
Solve the word problems using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

Cheryl bought a sandwich for $5 \frac{1}{2}$ dollars and a drink for $2.60. If she paid for her meal with a $10$ bill, how much money did she have left? Write your answer as a fraction and in dollars and cents.
Lesson 15 Homework

Solve the word problems using the RDW strategy. Show all your work.

1. A baker buys a 5 lb bag of sugar. She uses $1\frac{2}{3}$ lb to make some muffins and $2\frac{3}{4}$ lb to make a cake. How much sugar does she have left?

2. A boxer needs to lose $3\frac{1}{2}$ kg in a month to be able to compete as a flyweight. In three weeks, he lowers his weight from 55.5 kg to 53.8 kg. How many kg must the boxer lose in the final week to be able to compete as a flyweight?

3. A construction company builds a new rail line from Town A to Town B. They complete $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles in their first week of work and $1\frac{2}{3}$ miles in the second week. If they still have $25\frac{3}{4}$ left to build, what is the distance from Town A to Town B?
4. A catering company needs 8.75 lb of shrimp for a small party. They buy $3\frac{2}{3}$ lb of jumbo shrimp, $2\frac{5}{8}$ lb of medium-sized shrimp, and some mini-shrimp. How many pounds of mini-shrimp do they buy?

5. Mark breaks up a 9-hour drive into 3 segments. He drives $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours before stopping for lunch. After driving some more, he stops for gas. If the second segment of his drive was $1\frac{2}{3}$ hours longer than the first segment, how long did he drive after stopping for gas?
Lesson 16
Objective: Explore part to whole relationships.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (15 minutes)
- Application Problems (30 minutes)
- Student Debrief (15 minutes)

Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (15 minutes)

- Break Apart the Whole 4.NF.3c (5 minutes)
- Make a Like Unit 5.NF.1 (5 minutes)
- Add Fractions with Answers Greater than 1 5.NF.1 (5 minutes)

Break Apart the Whole (5 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: Take out your personal white board. I'll give you a fraction greater than one and you'll break out the whole by writing the addition fraction sentence. For example, I say 3/2, you write 1 + 1/2. (You can also ask students to write out the improper fraction plus fraction, i.e., 2/2 + 1/2).

T: 4/3.
S: 1 + 1/3.
T: 7/5.
S: 1 + 2/5.
T: 19/17.
S: 1 + 2/17.
T: 13/3.
S: 4 + 1/3.
T: 31/6.
S: 5 + 1/6.
T: (Continue with a sequence appropriate for your students.)
T: Share with your partner. What's your strategy of breaking out the whole?
S: (Students share.)
T: Excellent!
Lesson 16

Explore part to whole relationships.

Make a Like Unit (5 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white boards

T: What does like unit mean?
S: When you add or subtract fractions, if the denominators are the same, then they are like units.
T: Tell your partner how we find like units.
S: (Students share.)
T: I’ll say two numbers. You make a like unit and write it on your board. Show your board at the signal.
T: 3 and 2. (Pause. Signal.)
S: (Students show 6.)

Continue with possible sequence: 4 and 3; 2 and 4; 2 and 6; 3 and 9; 3 and 12; 3 and 4; 6 and 8.

Add Fractions with Answers Greater than 1 (5 minutes)

T: I’ll say an equation. You write and solve it. If the answer is greater than 1, put a dot next to it. Leave room to write all of the equations on your board without erasing.
T: 3/3 + 1/3 = ? Show your board at the signal. (Pause. Signal.)
S: (Show 3/3 + 1/3 = 4/3)
T: 2/2 + 3/2 = ? (Pause. Signal.)
S: (Show 2/2 + 3/2 = 5/2)
T: 2/4 + 1/4 = ?
S: (Show 2/4 + 1/4 = 3/4)
T: (Continue, mixing up equations that have answers greater than 1 or 2 with those that don't.)
T: What is different about answers that are greater than 1 and those that are less?
S: Greater answers all have a bigger numerator than denominator.
T: Some of these answers are greater than 2. Circle those.
S: (Students look for and circle appropriate answers.)
T: Talk to your partner about the difference between answers that are greater than 1 and those that are greater than 2.
S: Numerators are bigger than denominators in both kinds. Yes, but greater than 2 means the denominator has to fit inside the numerator at least twice, too.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

Some students may provide the smallest like unit, others may not. Accept a range of answers. Notice which children consistently do not show the smallest or ‘easiest’ like unit. It may be that they need extra support.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

Depending on your group, make the activity slightly more complex by eliminating the personal board. Have students complete the activity orally.
Application Problems (30 minutes)

Materials:  (S) Problem Set

T:  Students, today you are going to work in pairs to solve some ribbon and wire problems.  I am going to be an observer for the most part; just listening and watching until the Debrief.  You will have 30 minutes to reason about and solve 3 problems.  I will let you know when you have 10, then 5 minutes remaining.  You can use any materials in the classroom, but I ask that you work just with your partner.  The work will be scored with a rubric.  Each question can earn 4 points.

- Question 1: Each correct answer including the drawing is 1 point.
- Questions 2 and 3: Clear drawing: 1 point. Labeled drawing: 1 point. Correct equation and answer: 1 point. Correct statement of your answer: 1 point. The total possible points are 12.

1. Draw the following ribbons.  When finished, compare your work to your partner’s.

   a) 1 ribbon.  The piece shown below is only 1/3 of the whole.  Complete the drawing to show the whole ribbon.

   b) 1 ribbon.  The piece shown below is 4/5 of the whole. Complete the drawing to show the whole ribbon.

   c) 2 ribbons, A and B.  One third of A is equal to all of B.  Draw a picture of the ribbons.

   d) 3 ribbons, C, D, and E.  C is half the length of D.  E is twice as long as D.  Draw a picture of the ribbons.

2. Half Robert’s piece of wire is equal to 2/3 of Maria’s wire.  The total length of their wires is 10 feet.  How much longer is Robert’s wire than Maria’s?

3. Half Sarah’s wire is equal to 2/5 of Daniel’s.  Chris has 3 times as much as Sarah.  In all, their wire measures 6 ft.  How long is Sarah’s wire in feet?
Lesson 16: Explore part to whole relationships.

This lesson is an opportunity for students to “make sense of problems and persevere in solving them” (MP.1). It is recommended that you simply observe with as little interference as possible. For students who have language barriers, support by pairing appropriately for primary language or provide a translation of the problem.

As students work circulate and make decisions about which work to share with the class, and in what order.

**Student Debrief (15 minutes)**

**Lesson Objective:** Explore part to whole relationships.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

T: Let’s work together now to analyze your solutions. Compare your solutions from the first page with the solutions of your neighbors to the right.

T: What surprises did you have on this first page?

S: We don’t usually think about a shape being a fraction of something. We usually fold it or partition it to make a fraction, so it was new to think of something as a fraction.

T: (After reviewing work from the first page.) Let’s analyze John and Erica’s work from the two story problems. Take a moment to talk to your partner about precisely what you see when you look at their work and how that relates to the questions.

T: (After the students have analyzed the work.) Does anyone have a question for John and Erica?

S: Can you explain how you got 21 units in Problem 3?

S: (Authors explain.)

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S: Can you explain how you got 21 units in Problem 3?

S: (Authors explain.)
Retell the explanation to your partner in your own words.  

Let’s compare their work with Jacqueline and Perry’s. First, analyze the new team’s work by itself for a minute.  

Now, let’s compare these two pieces of student work. What is the same and what is different?  

(Students discuss in pairs and at times in the whole group.)  

Be sure to compare their work numerically, too. What number sentences did they use? How do their number sentences relate to each other’s work? For example, where do we see $4 \times \frac{2}{7}$ in John and Erica’s work?  

Once the analysis is complete, encourage students to score their own work according to the pre-determined rubric. Make sure this work is saved in the portfolio. This task brings students back to a fraction as a quotient and a quotient as a fraction. It also heightens their fraction number sense right as they are about to embark on the multiplication and division module.  

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)  

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.
Names ______________________ and ____________________ Date ___________

1. Draw the following ribbons. When finished, compare your work to your partner’s.

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   [Drawing of a ribbon]

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3. Half Sarah’s wire is equal to 2/5 of Daniel’s. Chris has 3 times as much as Sarah. In all, their wire measures 6 ft. How long is Sarah’s wire, in feet?
a) 1 ribbon. The piece shown below is only 2/3 of the whole. Complete the drawing to show the whole piece of ribbon.

b) 1 ribbon. The piece shown below is 1/4 of the whole. Complete the drawing to show the whole piece of ribbon.

c) 3 ribbons, A, B, and C. 1 third of A is the same length as B. C is half as long as B. Draw a picture of the ribbons.
Lesson 16: Explore part to whole relationships

1. Draw the following ribbons.
   a) 1 road. The piece shown below is only 3/7 of the whole. Complete the drawing to show the whole road.
   
   [Blank ribbon drawing]

   b) 1 road. The piece shown below is 1/6 of the whole. Complete the drawing to show the whole road.

   [Blank ribbon drawing]

   c) 3 roads. B is three times longer than A. C is twice as long as B. Draw the roads. What fraction of the total length of the roads is the length of A? If Road B is 7 miles longer than Road A, what is the length of Road C?

   [Blank ribbon drawing]

   d) Write your own ribbon or road problem with 2 or 3 lengths.
1. Lila collected the honey from 3 of her beehives. From the first hive she collected $\frac{2}{3}$ gallon of honey. The last two hives yielded $\frac{1}{4}$ gallon each.

   a. How many gallons of honey did Lila collect in all? Draw a diagram to support your answer.

   b. After using some of the honey she collected for baking, Lila found that she only had $\frac{3}{4}$ gallon of honey left. How much honey did she use for baking? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers, and words.
c. With the remaining $\frac{3}{4}$ gallon of honey, Lila decided to bake some loaves of bread and several batches of cookies for her school bake sale. The bread needed $\frac{1}{6}$ gallon of honey and the cookies needed $\frac{1}{4}$ gallon. How much honey was left over? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers, and words.

d. Lila decided to make more baked goods for the bake sale. She used $\frac{1}{8}$ lb less flour to make bread than to make cookies. She used $\frac{1}{4}$ lb more flour to make cookies than to make brownies. If she used $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of flour to make the bread, how much flour did she use to make the brownies? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers, and words.
**Mid-Module Assessment Task**

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**Evaluating Student Learning Outcomes**

A Progression Toward Mastery is provided to describe steps that illuminate the gradually increasing understandings that students develop *on their way to proficiency*. In this chart, this progress is presented from left (Step 1) to right (Step 4). The learning goal for each student is to achieve Step 4 mastery. These steps are meant to help teachers and students identify and celebrate what the student CAN do now and what they need to work on next.
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### 1(a) 5.NF.1
The student shows little evidence of clear reasoning and understanding, resulting with an incorrect answer.

The student shows evidence of beginning to understand addition of fractions with unlike denominators, but the answer is incorrect.

The student has the correct answer, but is unable to show evidence accurately using diagrams, numbers, and/or words. Or, the student shows evidence of correctly modeled adding of fractions with unlike denominators, but resulted with an incorrect answer.

The student correctly:
- Calculates 14/12 gal, 1 2/12 gal, 1 1/6 gal, 7/6 gal, or equivalent.
- Illustrates the answer clearly in words, numbers, and a diagram.

### 1(b) 5.NF.1 5.NF.2
The student shows little evidence of using a correct strategy and understanding, resulting in the wrong answer.

The student shows evidence of beginning to understand subtracting fractions with unlike denominators, but is unable to get the right answer.

The student has the correct answer, but the model either omitted or is unable to show evidence accurately using diagrams, numbers, and/or words. Or, the student shows evidence of correctly modeled subtracting fractions with unlike denominators but resulted with an incorrect answer.

The student correctly:
- Calculates 5/12 or 10/24 gal.
- Illustrates the answer clearly in words, numbers, and a diagram.
# A Progression Toward Mastery

| 1(c) | The student shows little evidence of using a correct strategy and understanding, resulting in the wrong answer. | The student shows evidence of beginning to understand portions of the solution, such as attempting to add 1/6 and 1/4 and then subtract the result from 3/4, but is unable to get the right answer. | The student has the correct answer, but the model is either omitted or the student is unable to show evidence accurately using diagrams, numbers, and/or words. Or, the student shows evidence of correctly modeling adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators, but resulted in an incorrect answer. | The student correctly:  
- Calculates 1/3 gal or equivalent fraction, such as 4/12 gal.  
- Models 1/6 + 1/4 and 3/4 – 5/12, or alternatively models 3/4 – 1/6 – 3/4 using words, numbers, and a diagram. |
| 1(d) | The student shows little evidence of using correct strategies, resulting in the wrong answer. | The student shows evidence of beginning understanding of at least some of the steps involved, but is unable to get the right answer. | The student has the correct answer, but the student does not show sound reasoning. Or, the student demonstrates all steps using appropriate models, but results in an incorrect answer. | The student correctly:  
- Calculates 3/4 lb as the amount of flour used for brownies.  
- Diagrams and uses words and numbers to clearly explain the solution. |
1) Lila collected the honey from 3 of her beehives. From the first hive she only collected \( \frac{2}{3} \) gallon of honey. The last two hives yielded \( \frac{1}{4} \) gallon each.

a) How many gallons of honey did Lila collect in all? Draw a diagram to support your answer.

\[
\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{4}{6} = \frac{7}{6}
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Lila collected \( \frac{7}{6} \) gallons in all.

b) After using some of the honey she collected for baking, Lila found that she only had \( \frac{3}{4} \) gallon of honey left. How much honey did she use for baking? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers, and words.

\[
\frac{7}{6} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{28}{24} - \frac{18}{24} = \frac{10}{24} = \frac{5}{12}
\]

Lila used \( \frac{10}{24} \) gal for baking.
c) With the remaining \( \frac{3}{4} \) gallon of honey, Lila decided to bake some loaves of bread and several batches of cookies for her school bake sale. The bread needed \( \frac{1}{6} \) gallon of honey and the cookies needed \( \frac{1}{8} \) gallon. How much honey was left over? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers, and words.

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\frac{3}{4} - \left( \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{4} - \frac{10}{24}
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\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8}
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\frac{4}{24} + \frac{6}{24} = \frac{10}{24}
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d) Lila decided to make more baked goods for the bake sale. She used \( \frac{1}{8} \) lb less flour to make bread than to make cookies. She used \( \frac{1}{4} \) lb more flour to make cookies than to make brownies. If she used \( \frac{1}{2} \) lb of flour to make the bread, how much flour did she use to make the brownies? Explain your answer using a diagram, numbers and words.

Lila used \( \frac{3}{8} \) lb to make the brownies, \( \frac{1}{8} \) less than \( \frac{1}{2} \) lb.
1. On Sunday, Sheldon bought $4\frac{1}{2}$ kg of plant food. He used $1\frac{2}{3}$ kg on his strawberry plants, and used $\frac{1}{4}$ kg for his tomato plants.

   a. How many kilograms of plant food did Sheldon have left? Write one or more equations to show how you reached your answer.

   b. Sheldon wants to feed his strawberry plants 2 more times, and his tomato plants one more time. He will use the same amounts of plant food as before. How much plant food will he need? Does he have enough left to do so? Explain your answer using words, pictures or numbers.
2. Sheldon harvests the strawberries and tomatoes in his garden.
   a. He picks $1\frac{2}{5}$ kg less strawberries in the morning than in the afternoon. If Sheldon picked $2\frac{1}{4}$ kg in the morning, how many kilograms of strawberries does he pick in the afternoon? Explain your answer using words, pictures or equations.

   b. Sheldon also picks tomatoes from his garden. He picked $5\frac{3}{10}$ kg but 1.5 kg were rotten and had to be thrown away. How many kilograms of tomatoes were not rotten? Write an equation that shows how you reached your answer.

   c. Did Sheldon end up with more kilograms of tomatoes after throwing away the rotten tomatoes, or kilograms of strawberries from his picking in the afternoon? How many more kilograms? Explain your answer using an equation.
### End-of-Module Assessment Task

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### Evaluating Student Learning Outcomes

A Progression Toward Mastery is provided to describe steps that illuminate the gradually increasing understandings that students develop *on their way to proficiency*. In this chart, this progress is presented from left (Step 1) to right (Step 4). The learning goal for each student is to achieve Step 4 mastery. These steps are meant to help teachers and students identify and celebrate what the student CAN do now and what they need to work on next.
## A Progression Toward Mastery

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| **1(a)**  
5.NF.1  5.NF.2 | Little evidence of reasoning without a correct answer. (1 Point) | Evidence of some reasoning without a correct answer. (2 Points) | Evidence of some reasoning with a correct answer or evidence of solid reasoning with an incorrect answer. (3 Points) | Evidence of solid reasoning with a correct answer. (4 Points) |
| The work shows little evidence of conceptual or procedural strength. | The student gets the incorrect answer and has trouble manipulating the units or setting up the problem. | The student gets the correct answer but does not show an equation or does not get the correct answer through a very small calculation error. The part–whole thinking is completely accurate. | The answer is correct and the student displays complete confidence in applying part–whole thinking to a word problem with fractions, giving the correct answer of 2 14/24 or 2 7/12. |
| **1(b)**  
5.NF.1  5.NF.2 | The student was unable to make sense of the problem in any intelligible way. | The student’s solution is incorrect and, though showing signs of real thought, is not developed or does not connect to the story’s situation. | The student has the correct answer to the first question but fails to answer the second question or the student has reasoned through the problem well, set up the equation correctly but made a careless error. | The student correctly:  
- Calculates that Sheldon needs 3 7/12 kg of plant food.  
- Notes that 3 7/12 is more than 2 7/12, so Sheldon does not have enough. |
| **2(a)**  
5.NF.1  5.NF.2 | The solution is incorrect and shows little evidence of understanding of the need for like units | The student shows evidence of beginning to understand addition fractions with unlike denominators but cannot apply that knowledge to this part–whole comparison. | The student calculates correctly and sets up the part–whole situation correctly but fails to write a complete statement or the student fully answers the question but makes one small calculation error that is clearly careless such as copying a number wrong. | The student is able to apply part–whole thinking to correctly answer 3 13/20 and explains the answer using words, pictures, or numbers. |
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<td>The student gives a correct equation and correct answer of 3 8/10 kg or 3 4/5 kg and explains the answer using words, pictures or numbers.</td>
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| **2(c)**                    |
| *5.NF.1 5.NF.2*             |
| The solution is incorrect and shows little evidence of understanding of fraction comparison. |
| The student may have compared correctly but calculated incorrectly and/or does not explain the meaning of his numerical solution in the context of the story. |
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| The student correctly:  |
| - Responds that garden produced more tomatoes. |
| - Responds that there was 3/20 kg more tomatoes. |
| - Gives equation such as 3 4/5 – 3 13/20 = 3 16/20 – 3 13/20 = 3/20. |
1) On Sunday, Sheldon bought $4\frac{1}{2}$ kg of plant food. He used $1\frac{2}{3}$ kg on his strawberry plants, and used $\frac{1}{4}$ kg for his tomato plants.

   a) How many kilograms of plant food did Sheldon have left? Write one or more equations to show how you reached your answer.

   \[
   4\frac{1}{4} - 1\frac{2}{3} = \frac{17}{4} - \frac{5}{3} = \frac{51}{12} - \frac{20}{12} = \frac{31}{12}
   \]

   Sheldon had $2\frac{7}{12}$ kg left.

   b) Sheldon wants to feed his strawberry plants 2 more times, and his tomato plants one more time. He will use the same amounts of plant food as before. How much plant food will he need? Does he have enough left to do so? Explain your answer using words, pictures or numbers.

   \[
   \frac{2}{3} + 1\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{7}{3} = 2\frac{1}{3}
   \]

   \[
   3\frac{1}{3} + 1\frac{1}{4} = 3\frac{4}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = 3\frac{7}{12}
   \]

   No, Sheldon does not have enough because $2\frac{7}{12} < 3\frac{7}{12}$.
2) Sheldon harvests the strawberries and tomatoes in his garden.

   a) He picks $1 \frac{2}{5}$ kg less strawberries in the morning than in the afternoon. If Sheldon picked $2 \frac{1}{4}$ kg in the morning, how many kilograms of strawberries does he pick in the afternoon? Explain your answer using words, pictures or equations.

   $\begin{align*}
   M & \quad 2 \frac{1}{4} + 1 \frac{2}{5} = 3 \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \\
   A & \quad = 3 \frac{5}{20} + \frac{8}{20} \\
   & \quad = 3 \frac{13}{20} \\
   & \quad \text{Sheldon picked } 3 \frac{13}{20} \text{ kg strawberries in the afternoon.}
   \end{align*}$

   b) Sheldon also picks tomatoes from his garden. He picked $5 \frac{3}{10}$ kg but 1.5 kg were rotten and had to be thrown away. How many kilograms of tomatoes were not rotten? Write an equation that shows how you reached your answer.

   $\begin{align*}
   5 \frac{3}{10} - 1 \frac{5}{10} & = 4 \frac{3}{10} - \frac{5}{10} \\
   & = 3 \frac{13}{10} - \frac{5}{10} \\
   & = 3 \frac{8}{10}
   \end{align*}$

   $3 \frac{8}{10} \text{ kg or } 3 \frac{4}{5} \text{ kg were not rotten.}$

   c) After throwing away the rotten tomatoes, did Sheldon get more kilograms of strawberries or tomatoes? How many more kilograms? Explain your answer using an equation.

   $\begin{align*}
   \text{Strawberries} \rightarrow & 3 \frac{13}{20} < 3 \frac{4}{3} \text{ kg} \leftarrow \text{Tomatoes} \\
   \text{Strawberries} & \quad 3 \frac{13}{20} < 3 \frac{16}{20}
   \end{align*}$

   Sheldon got more tomatoes than strawberries, $3 \frac{2}{20} \text{ kg more.}$