Can you make all the prime numbers less than 100 with 6 fours and these symbols?

2 =	17 =	41 =	67 =
3 =	19 =	43 =	71 =
5 =	23 =	47 =	73 =
7 =	29 =	53 =	79 =
1 =	31 =	59 =	83 =
3 =	37 =	61 =	89 =

97 =

### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

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"Algebra class will be important to you later in life because there's going to be a test six weeks from now."

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"Why is it important for today's kids to learn algebra? Because *I* had to learn this junk in school and now it's *your* turn, that's why!"

# The importance of algebra . . .

How important is algebra to a student's chance of attending college?

Students who take a **year of algebra** and follow with a **year of geometry** nearly **DOUBLE** their chances of going to college -- by doing that alone! Students who complete Algebra II are more than twice as likely to **GRADUATE** from college.

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# **Progressions to Algebra**

Represent & solve	3 4 5 6	3 4	2	1	ĸ
Know number names and the count sequence       Represent and solve problems       Understand and ubtraction and ubtraction	at & solve       Understand the place value system       Apply and previous understand the place value system         and       solve problems       Perform       division to operations with multi-digit whole numbers and         ation and       Generalize place value       multi-digit whole numbers and       Apply and previous understanding for ation and multi-digit whole numbers       Apply and previous understand         & divide       Use place value       fractions as a system of numbers and and properties of operations to previous understanding and properties of in Extend       Use equivalent fractions       Understand the previous understand in equivalence and division to multiply and applying and concepts of solve prob understand fractions       Apply and previous understand in equivalence and divide fractions         bblems       Build fractions       Geometric measurement:       Apply and concepts of solve one-solve	Represent & solve         problems         involving         multiplication and         division         Understand         properties of         multiplication and         the relationship         between         multiplication and         division         Multiply & divide         within 100         Multiply & divide         within 100         Solve problems         involving the four         operations, and         didentify & explain         patterns in         arithmetic         Develop         understanding of         reactions as         numbers         Solve problems         numbers         Solve problems         numbers         Build fractions ag         numbers         Build fractions by         applying and         extending         intervals of time,         iquid volumes, &         masses of objects         Geometric         understand         concepts of         area and relate         area to <td>Represent problem involving multiplic divisionRepresent and solve problems involving addition and subtractionUndersta properti multiplic divisionAdd and subtract within 20Multiply within 11Add and subtract within 20Multiply uitiplic divisionUnderstand place valueSolve pro involving and subtractUnderstand place valueDevelop understanding and properties of operations to add and subtractDevelop understa fractions numbersRelate addition and subtraction lengthSolve pro involving measure and estimate lengths intervals liquid vo masses of Geometr measure area and area to multiplic</td> <td>Represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction Understand and apply properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction Add and subtract within 20 Work with addition and subtraction equations Extend the counting sequence Understand place value Use place value understanding and properties of operations to add and subtract Measure lengths indirectly and by iterating length units</td> <td>Know number names and the count sequence Count to tell the number of objects Compare numbers Understand addition as putting together and adding to, and understand subtraction as taking apart and taking from Work with numbers 11-19 to gain foundations for place value</td>	Represent problem involving multiplic divisionRepresent and solve problems involving addition and subtractionUndersta properti multiplic divisionAdd and subtract within 20Multiply within 11Add and subtract within 20Multiply uitiplic divisionUnderstand place valueSolve pro involving and subtractUnderstand place valueDevelop understanding and properties of operations to add and subtractDevelop understa fractions numbersRelate addition and subtraction lengthSolve pro involving measure and estimate lengths intervals liquid vo masses of Geometr measure area and area to multiplic	Represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction Understand and apply properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction Add and subtract within 20 Work with addition and subtraction equations Extend the counting sequence Understand place value Use place value understanding and properties of operations to add and subtract Measure lengths indirectly and by iterating length units	Know number names and the count sequence Count to tell the number of objects Compare numbers Understand addition as putting together and adding to, and understand subtraction as taking apart and taking from Work with numbers 11-19 to gain foundations for place value

# FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST Connecting Multiplication, Squares and Square Roots

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Use square root and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations of the form x<sup>2</sup> = p . . . Evaluate square roots of small perfect squares and cube roots of small perfect cubes.
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Know that there are numbers that are not rational, and approximate them by rational numbers.

Use rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers

# Roots

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![](_page_12_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Roots

- Comes from the Latin word RADIX meaning root
- o 1557 in *The Whetstone of Witte* by Robert Recorde
  - "Thei onely haue rootes, whiche bee made by many multiplications of some one number by itself"
- Symbol traceable to Christoff Rudolff *Die Coss* in 1525
  - Used because it resembled a small r
  - The vinculum was added later

# Focus on what matter most

![](_page_14_Figure_1.jpeg)

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## Finding a square root Connecting multiplication to higher math concepts . . . $\sqrt{58}$

Smallest square:

Largest square:

49 <58< 64

 $\sqrt{58}$  is between 7 and 8.

 $\sqrt{58} \approx 7.6$ 

	≈ 7.6
≈ 7.6	7x7 = 49
	58 <u>- 51 52 53 54 55 56</u> 57
	8
8	8x8 ≡ 64

### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Compare two fractions with the same numerator or the same denominator by reasoning about their size. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Compare two fractions with different numerators and different denominators, e.g., by creating common denominators or numerators, or by comparing to a benchmark fraction such as 1/2.

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# **Fraction Riddle**

I'm a fraction with a value less than  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Both my numerator and denominator are one-digit primes. What three fractions could I be?

# Fractions

- Latin *frangere* (to break), often called "broken numbers
- Fibonacci (1202) *Liber abaci* generally used *fractio and* first used the fraction bar
- Robert Recorde in *Ground of Artes* (1575) "A Fraction in deede is a broken number"
- Chaucer (~1400) The earliest recorded sense of the word is "an aliquot part of a unit, a fraction or subdivision"

# **Proper and Improper Fractions and Mixed Number**

- **IMPROPER:** Robert Recorde (1542) "An Improper Fraction...that is to saye, a fraction in forme, which in dede is greater than a Unit."
- **PROPER:** Samuel Jeake *Arithmetic* (1701) "Proper Fractions always have the Numerator less than the Denominator, for then the parts signified are less than a Unit . . ."
- **MIXED NUMBER** by Robert Recorde (1542) "mixt numbers (that is whole numbers with fractions)"

# Let's do some more math . . .

# Which is greater

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# Let's see how Zakari did it . . .

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# Foundations for Computing: Comparing Fractions

Strategy 1: Compare unit fractions

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![](_page_23_Figure_3.jpeg)

**Strategy 2:** Compare fractions with common numerators

![](_page_23_Figure_5.jpeg)

 $\frac{1}{4} < \frac{2}{4}$ 

![](_page_23_Figure_6.jpeg)

**Strategy 3:** Compare fractions with common denominators

![](_page_23_Figure_8.jpeg)

# Foundations for Computing: Comparing Fractions

### Strategy 4:

Compare fractions one unit fraction from 1

<u>7</u> > <u>5</u> 8 6

![](_page_24_Figure_4.jpeg)

### Strategy 5:

Compare fractions to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

![](_page_24_Picture_8.jpeg)

# Foundations for Computing: Comparing Fractions

### Strategy 6:

Change fractions to equivalent fractions

 $\frac{3}{4} > \frac{5}{6}$ 

![](_page_25_Figure_4.jpeg)

# Foundations for Computing: Fraction Families on a Multiplication Chart

	12 by 12 Multiplication Table																	
	×	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12					
	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12					
	2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24		0			
	3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36		5			
	4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48					
		1	2		3	4		5	6		7	8		9	10	11	12	ł
	1	2	4	(	6	8		10	12	2	14	16	5	18	20	22	24	ł
ł	;	5	10	1	15	20	) :	25	30	)	35	4(	)	45	50	55	60	1
			18		-30	45	54	63		81	90	99	108	1				
	10	10	20	20	40	50	60	70	00	00	100	110	100					
	10	10	20	30	40	50	60	10	80	90	100	110	120					
	11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132					
	12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144					

### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

 Connecting operations of whole numbers to fractions

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 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.

**6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Apply and extend previous understandings . . .

# Foundations for Computing: Applying the Big Ideas

- 10 is the organizer of our number system
- Numbers can be composed and decomposed

![](_page_28_Figure_3.jpeg)

# Foundations for Computing: Applying the Big Ideas to Fractions

- 1 is the organizer of fractions
- Fractions can be composed and decomposed

![](_page_29_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_29_Figure_4.jpeg)

### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

 Connecting operations of whole numbers to fractions

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication to multiply a fraction by a whole number. . . Understand a multiple of a/b as a multiple of 1/b, and use this understanding to multiply a fraction by a whole number.

### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

 Connecting operations of whole numbers to fractions

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Interpret the product  $(a/b) \times q$  as a parts of a partition of q into b equal parts; equivalently, as the result of a sequence of operations  $a \times q \div b$ .

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Apply and extend previous understandings . . .

#### **Foundational Progressions** Partial Strategies Quotient for Strategy Division Patterns in Decimal Division Strategies for Decimal Multiplication Multiplication Divide Fractions Multiply Two-Digit Fractions Multiplication

# Focus on what matter most

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Connecting multiplication to higher math concepts . . .

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### FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

 Connecting operations of whole numbers to fractions

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Interpret division of a unit fraction by a non-zero whole number, and compute such quotients . . . Interpret division of a whole number by a unit fraction, and compute such quotients.

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Apply and extend previous understandings . . .

# **Dividing Fractions**

Imagine you are beginning to teach students division with fractions.

What would you do to introduce this concept to students?

How would you present the following problem?

$$1\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{1}{2}$$

# **Introducing Division of Fractions**

What is the common phrase we hear teachers say when teaching students to divide fractions? "Ours is not to reason why, simply invert and multiply!"

What we should be saying is "dividing by a number is equivalent to multiplying by its reciprocal."

Ma, L. (2010). *Knowing and Teaching Elementary Mathematics: Teachers' Understanding of Fundamental Mathematics in China and the United States (Studies in Mathematical Thinking and Learning Series)* (2nd ed.). Routledge.

# **Introducing Division of Fractions**

Dividing by 2 is the same as multiplying by  $\frac{1}{2}$ , therefore dividing by  $\frac{1}{2}$  is the same as multiplying by 2.

INPUT	EQUATIONS	OUTPUT
1		<u>1</u> 2
<u>1</u> 2	,	$\frac{1}{4}$
$\frac{1}{4}$		<u>1</u> 8
<u>1</u> 5		<u>1</u> 10
16		8

# **Introducing Division of Fractions**

# How many different ways can we solve the problem $1\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{1}{2}$ ?

# **Measurement Model**

"How many ½s in 1 ¾?" (e.g., cups, graham crackers, piece of wood)

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![](_page_40_Picture_3.jpeg)

There are  $3\frac{1}{2}$  pieces.

![](_page_41_Picture_0.jpeg)

![](_page_41_Picture_1.jpeg)

 $\frac{1}{m}$ 

## FOCUSING AND CONNECTING TO WHAT MATTERS MOST • Connecting number lines to ratios

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Understand the concept of a unit rate a/b associated with a ratio a:b with  $b \neq 0$ , and use rate language in the context of a ratio relationship.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Compute unit rates associated with ratios of fractions, including ratios of lengths, areas and other quantities measured in like or different units.

# **Solving Problems with a Double Number Line: Rates**

On a bicycle you can travel 20 miles in 4 hours. What are the unit rates in this situation?

![](_page_43_Figure_2.jpeg)

## **Solving Problems with a Double Number Line: Percents**

A part is a percent of a whole. If the whole of 240 is 100%, then the part shown for 24 students is 10%, for 120 students is 50%. What percent is represented by 96 students

![](_page_44_Figure_2.jpeg)

Number of Students

# **Solving Problems with a Double Number Line: Percents**

When the entire 6th grade of 240 students was polled, results showed that 96 students were dissatisfied with the music at a dance. What percentage of the 6th grade does this represent?

#### Number of Students

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# Solving Problems with a Double Number Line: Percents

Andrew was given an allowance of \$20. He used 75% of his allowance to go to the movies. How much money was spent at the movies?

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# When not knowing math can cost you \$15,000 . . .

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### Scholastic supports . . .

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