

## **Instructional Routines for Mathematics Intervention**

The purpose of these mathematics instructional routines is to provide educators with materials to use when providing intervention to students who experience difficulty with mathematics. The routines address content included in the grades 2-8 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). There are 23 modules that include routines and examples – each focused on different mathematical content. Each of the 23 modules include vocabulary cards and problem sets to use during instruction. These materials are intended to be implemented explicitly with the aim of improving mathematics outcomes for students.



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## MODULE 15 Division of Rational Numbers



### Module 15: Division of Rational Numbers Mathematics Routines

#### A. Important Vocabulary with Definitions

Term	Definition
algorithm	A procedure or description of steps that can be used to solve a problem.
computation	The action used to solve a problem.
decimal	A number based on powers of ten.
denominator	The term in a fraction that tells the number of equal parts in a whole.
divide/division	To separate into equal groups.
dividend	The number that is to be divided in a division problem.
division sign	The symbol that tells you to divide.
divisor	The number that the dividend is divided by.
equal groups	Groups with the same number of objects or items in each group.
equal sign	The symbol that tells you that two sides of an equation are the same, balanced, or equal.
equivalent	Two numbers that have the same value.
fraction	A number representing part of a whole or set.
hundredths	The digit in representing $\frac{1}{100}$ .
improper fraction	Any fraction in which the numerator is greater than the denominator.
least common multiple	The common multiple with the least value.
mixed number	A whole number and a fraction combined.
multiply/multiplication	The process of adding a number to itself a number of times.
multiplication sign	The symbol that tells you to multiply.
numerator	The term in a fraction that tells how many parts of a fraction.
ones	The digit representing 1.
quotient	The number that results when one number is divided by another number.
remainder	The amount left over in a division problem.
regroup/trade/exchange	The process of exchanging 10 ones for 1 ten, 10 tens for 1 hundred, 10 hundreds for 1 thousand, etc.
tenths	The digit in representing $\frac{1}{10}$ .





#### **B. Background Information**

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In this module, we focus on division with fractions and decimals. As you focus on computation of rational numbers, continue to emphasize division as partitive (i.e., equal shares) and division as quotative (i.e., measurement) because students will see these concepts within word problems.

For division of fractions, we recommend using several models of fractions to help students understand concepts related to division of fractions. We also recommend demonstrating several algorithms for division of decimals. Every student should develop efficiency with strategies for division of fractions and decimals. In the following sections, we provide examples of (1) division of fractions, (2) division of decimals with the traditional algorithm, and (3) division of decimals with the partial quotients algorithm.

#### C. Routines and Examples

#### (1) Division of Fractions\*

\*Most students know the *procedure* for dividing decimals but do not have *conceptual understanding* of division of fractions. Here, we provide two conceptual **Routines** (one with manipulatives and one with drawings) as well as a procedural **Routine**. Our **Example** is conceptual and uses manipulatives. Consider reading the **Example** before reading the **Routines**.

#### Routine

#### Materials:

- Module 15 Problem Sets
- Module 15 Vocabulary Cards
  - If necessary, review Vocabulary Cards before teaching
- A hands-on tool or manipulative like fraction tiles or two-color counters
  - Note that drawings can be used alongside or instead of manipulatives

#### **ROUTINE WITH MANIPULATIVES**

(Only use manipulatives with simpler problems)

Teacher Let's work on division. What does it mean to divide?

Students To share equally or measure into groups.

Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division sign or bracket (point). The division sign or bracket

tells us to divide. What does the division sign or bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem with fraction tiles.





(Move fraction tiles to workspace.) Teacher With division of fractions, we interpret this problem as (first fraction/dividend) divided by \_\_ (second fraction/divisor). How do we interpret this problem? Students divided by . Teacher When something is divided, we want to determine how many groups of the divisor we can make with the dividend. If the problem was 12 divided by 3, you would determine how many groups of 3 you could make if you had 12 of something. The same works with fractions. We'll show the dividend (or first fraction). Which fraction will we show? The dividend or first fraction. Students Teacher And then we'll determine how many groups of the divisor (or second fraction) we can make with the dividend. We'll determine how many groups of which fraction? Students The divisor or second fraction. Teacher So, let's show the dividend with the fraction tiles. (Show dividend with fraction tiles.) **Teacher** Now, let's find (divisor) of (dividend). What's the divisor? Students Teacher Let's get out the divisor with our fraction tiles and think of it as one group. (Show divisor with fraction tiles.) Teacher Now, I want to learn how many groups of this divisor I can make with the dividend. What do I want to learn? Students How many groups of the divisor we can make with the dividend. Teacher To do this, I hold the divisor group under the dividend fraction tiles to see how many groups I can make. Let's see, I can make \_\_ groups of \_\_\_ (divisor). (Place divisor fraction tile group under dividend.) Teacher Now, I do that again until I can't make any more groups of \_\_\_ (divisor) with the dividend. (Place divisor fraction tile group under dividend.) We're dividing by finding \_\_ (divisor) groups of the dividend. How are Teacher we dividing? Students Finding (divisor) groups of the dividend. Teacher We've determined \_\_\_ (divisor) groups of the dividend is \_\_\_. Teacher So, \_\_ (divisor) groups of \_\_ (dividend) equals \_\_. What's the quotient? Students \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_. Let's say that together. Teacher Students divided equals . So, if you have a group of (divisor) and you determine you can make Teacher groups of \_\_ (dividend), \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_. Let's review. What's a dividend? The total number that will be divided. Students





Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you make groups.

Teacher How could you explain dividing to a friend?

Students We showed the dividend with the fraction tiles. Then, we determined

how many groups of the divisor we could make with the dividend. The

quotient was the number of groups we could make.

#### **ROUTINE WITHOUT MANIPULATIVES OR DRAWINGS**

Teacher Let's work on division. What does it mean to divide?

Students To share equally or measure into groups.

Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division sign or bracket (point). The division sign or bracket

tells us to divide. What does the division sign or bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher When we divide, we divide the numerators then we divide the

denominators. How do we divide?

Students Divide the numerators then divide the denominators.

Teacher Sometimes that's easy to do, but sometimes dividing the numerators

or denominators gives us another fraction. And that gets tricky. So, often we divide fractions by using the reciprocal of the divisor. Say

reciprocal with me.

Students Reciprocal.

Teacher With a reciprocal of a fraction, the numerator becomes the

denominator and the denominator becomes the numerator. What

happens with a fraction reciprocal?

Students The numerator becomes the denominator and the denominator

becomes the numerator.

**Teacher** What's the reciprocal of \_\_ (divisor)?

Students \_\_\_.

**Teacher** The reciprocal of \_\_ (divisor) is \_\_. So, instead of dividing by \_\_ (divisor),

we multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor. What do we do?

Students Multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor.

**Teacher** So, we multiply \_\_ (dividend) times \_\_ (reciprocal of divisor). What do

we multiply?

Students (dividend) times (reciprocal of divisor).

Teacher First, focus on the numerators. What are the numerators in this

problem?

Students \_\_\_ and \_\_\_.

Teacher What's \_\_ times \_\_?





Students	
Teacher	times equals, so let's write as the numerator of our
	quotient.
	(Write numerator.)
Teacher	Let's focus on the denominators. What are the denominators in this
	problem?
Students	and
Teacher	What's times?
Students	
Teacher	times equals, so let's write as the denominator of our
	quotient.
	(Write denominator.)
Teacher	So, (dividend) divided by (divisor) equals What's the
	quotient?
Students	·
	(If quotient is not in simplest form, use greatest common factor to
	determine an equivalent fraction in simplest form.)
Teacher	divided by equals Let's say that together.
Students	divided by equals
Teacher	So, if you have (dividend) and you divide by (divisor), divided
	by equals Let's review. What's a dividend?
Students	The total number that will be divided.
Teacher	What's a divisor?
Students	The number of groups we will make.
Teacher	What's a quotient?
Students	The result in each group after you make groups.
Teacher	How could you explain dividing to a friend?
Students	We used the reciprocal of the divisor and multiplied the dividend by the reciprocal.





#### **Examples**

$$\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{4}$$



#### **EXAMPLE WITH DRAWING**

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problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division sign or bracket (point). The division sign or bracket

tells us to divide. What does the division sign or bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem by drawing. How will we do this problem?

Students By drawing

Teacher With division of fractions, we interpret this problem as five-sixths

divided by two-thirds. How do we interpret this problem?

Students Five-sixths divided by two-thirds.

Teacher When something is divided, we want to determine how many groups

of the divisor we can make with the dividend. With our drawing, we'll show the dividend (or first fraction). Which fraction will we draw?

Students The dividend or first fraction.

Teacher And then we'll determine how many groups of the divisor (or second

fraction) we can make with the dividend. We'll determine how many

groups of which fraction?

Students The divisor or second fraction.

Teacher So, let's show the dividend. I'll draw a rectangle divided into six equal

parts.

(Draw.)

Teacher I need to shade the numerator. How many equal parts should I shade?

Students 5.

Teacher So, I'll shade 5 equal parts.

(Shade.)





Teacher Now, let's find two-thirds of five-sixths. What's the divisor?

Students Two-thirds.

Teacher I want to figure out how much one group of two-thirds would be when

I have five-sixths. Let's see, two-thirds is equivalent to four-sixths.

What's two-thirds equivalent to?

Students Four-sixths.

Teacher So, I'll draw a dark rectangle around one group of two-thirds (or four-

sixths). (Draw.)

Teacher I can make one full group of two-thirds. In that group of two-thirds, I

see I have 1, 2, 3, 4 equal parts. So, 4 will be my new denominator.

What's the new denominator?

Students 4.

Teacher Let's see. I keep drawing dark rectangles around groups of two-thirds

(or four-sixths) until I've used all of the five-sixth shaded parts. Let's

draw another dark rectangle around the same size as the first.

(Draw.)

Teacher Now, with this group of two-thirds, is it a full group?

Students No!

Teacher It isn't a full group of two-thirds. How much of the group did we make?

Remember, we determined 4 would be our new denominator. So, how

much of this group of two-thirds is shaded?

Students One-fourth.

Teacher That's right. One-fourth of this group of two-thirds is shaded. So, when

we divide five-sixths and make groups of two-thirds, we can make 1 full group of two-thirds and one-fourth of the next group of two-thirds. Our quotient is 1 and one-fourth or five-fourths. What's the quotient?

Students 1 and one-fourth or five-fourths.

Teacher So, five-sixths divided by two-thirds equals five-fourths. Let's say that

together.

Students Five-sixths divided by two-thirds equals five-fourths.

**Teacher Let's review. What's a dividend?**Students
The total number that will be divided.

Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you make groups.

Teacher How could you explain dividing to a friend?

Students We drew the dividend. Then, we determined how many groups of the

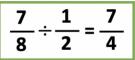
divisor we could make with the dividend. The quotient was the number

of groups we could make.

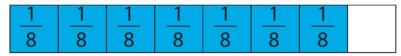




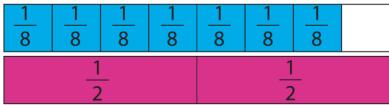
#### **Example**



Step 1: Show dividend (seven-eighths).



Step 2: Find how many groups of the divisor (one-half) can be made with the dividend (seven-eighths).



One group of one-half.

Three-fourths of a group of one-half.

#### **EXAMPLE WITH MANIPULATIVES**

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Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division sign or bracket (point). The division sign or bracket tells

us to divide. What does the division sign or bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem using the fraction tiles. How will we do this problem?

Students With the fraction tiles.

(Show fraction tiles.)

Teacher With division of fractions, we interpret this problem as seven-eighths divided

by one-half. How do we interpret this problem?

Students Seven-eighths divided by one-half.

Teacher When something is divided, we want to determine how many groups of the

divisor we can make with the dividend. With our fraction tiles, we'll show the

dividend (or first fraction). Which fraction will we show?

Students The dividend or first fraction.

Teacher And then we'll determine how many groups of the divisor (or second fraction)

we can make with the dividend. We'll determine how many groups of which

fraction?

Students The divisor or second fraction.

Teacher So, let's show the dividend. I'll show the whole and then show seven-eighths

compared to the whole.

(Use fraction tiles.)

Teacher Now, let's find how many groups of one-half we can make with seven-

eighths. What's the divisor?



Students One-half.

Teacher I want to figure out how many groups of one-half I can make if I have seven-

eighths. So, I'll get out my one-half fraction tile to compare to the seven-

eighths.

(Show one-half tile.)

Teacher Let's see how many groups of one-half I can make. I can make 1 group of one-

half.

(Compare one-half tile to four one-eighth pieces.)

Teacher I can make one full group of one-half. How many groups?

Students 1 full group of one-half.

Teacher Look closely. In this group of one-half, how many equal parts are

represented?

Students 4.

Teacher Yes. There are 4 equal parts in this group of one-half. That means 4 will be the

denominator of our quotient. What will be the denominator?

Students 4.

Teacher Let's keep going because I can make more than one group of one-half. Let's

iterate (or copy) the one-half piece to see how much of the next group of one-

half I can make.

(Move one-half fraction tile.)

Teacher Now, with this group of one-half, is it a full group?

Students No!

Teacher It isn't a full group of one-half. How much of the group did we make?

Remember, we determined 4 would be our new denominator. So, how much

of this group of one-half is covered by the one-half piece?

Students Three-fourths.

Teacher That's right. Three-fourths of this group of one-half is covered. So, when we

divide seven-eighths and make groups of one-half, we can make 1 full group of one-half and three-fourths of the next group of one-half. Our quotient is 1

and three-fourth or seven-fourths. What's the quotient?

Students 1 and three-fourths or seven-fourths.

Teacher So, seven-eighths divided by one-half equals seven-fourths. Let's say that

together.

Students Seven-eighths divided by one-half equals seven-fourths.

**Teacher Let's review. What's a dividend?**Students
The total number that will be divided.

Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you make groups.

Teacher How could you explain dividing to a friend?

Students We showed the dividend with the fraction tiles. Then, we determined how

many groups of the divisor we could make with the dividend. The quotient was

the number of groups we could make.





#### (2) Division of Decimals with Traditional Algorithm

#### Routine

#### Materials:

- Module 15 Problem Sets
- Module 15 Vocabulary Cards
  - If necessary, review Vocabulary Cards before teaching

#### 3-DIGIT ÷ 2-DIGIT: EXAMPLE WITHOUT MANIPULATIVES

Teacher Let's work on division. What does it mean to divide?

Students To share equally or measure into groups.

Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division bracket (point). The division bracket tells us to divide.

What does the division bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem with our pencil. First, when I see a problem like this that

requires computation, I like to draw vertical lines to separate the ones from the tenths and the tenths from the hundredths. Let's draw a vertical line

between each of the columns in the dividend.

(Draw vertical lines to separate place value columns.)

Teacher Now, we start by dividing the dividend by the divisor. What's our dividend?

Students \_\_\_\_

Teacher And we'll divide the dividend by the divisor. What's the divisor?

Students \_\_\_

Teacher When we divide using this method, for each place value in the dividend, the

first thing we do is divide. If we can divide, then we multiply, subtract, and then bring in the next place value. So, the pattern is: divide, multiply,

subtract, bring in. Say that with me.

Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in.

Teacher And we keep repeating that pattern until we have solved the problem. Let's

see how it works. Are you ready?

Students Yes!

Teacher Okay, so we start with the greatest place value of the dividend. Where do we

start?

Students Greatest place value of the dividend.

Teacher In this problem, the greatest place value of the dividend is \_\_. What number?

Students .

Teacher How many groups of \_\_ (divisor) can we make with \_\_?





Students We can't make any groups of . Teacher We can't make a group of \_\_ (divisor). So, now we bring in the \_\_ (next place value in dividend) to make \_\_. I think how many groups of \_\_ can we make if we have \_\_ (divisor)? Students We can make groups of (divisor). We can make \_\_ groups. So, let's write \_\_ above the division bracket. Teacher (Write.) So, now let's multiply \_\_ times \_\_ (divisor). What's \_\_ times \_\_? Teacher Students Let's write that product of \_\_ below the \_\_ in the dividend. Teacher Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line to help us subtract \_\_ from \_\_. What sign? Students Minus sign. Teacher What do we subtract? Students \_\_ minus \_\_\_. Teacher What's \_\_ minus \_\_? Students Let's write the difference here under the equal line. Teacher (Write.) Teacher Now, we bring in the next digit of the dividend to our difference. I like to show this by drawing an arrow from the \_\_ and rewriting the \_\_ next to \_\_. (Draw arrow and write.) **Teacher** When I bring in the \_\_\_, \_\_ now becomes \_\_\_. This is our new dividend. What's our new dividend? Students Teacher So, we followed the steps of division: divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. Say that with me. Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. Teacher But the problem isn't finished. Let's follow the steps again: divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. What do we do? Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. Students **How many groups of \_\_** (divisor) can we make with our new dividend of \_\_? Teacher Students groups. Teacher We can make groups. So, let's write above the division bracket. (Write.) So, let's multiply. What's \_\_ times \_\_ (divisor)? Teacher Students Teacher Let's write \_\_ below the \_\_. (Write.) Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line. What sign? Minus sign. Students And let's subtract \_\_ minus \_\_. What do we subtract? Teacher \_\_ minus . Students





Teacher What's minus ? Students Teacher Let's write the difference here under the equal line. (Write.) **Teacher** Now, do we have any remaining? Students Yes! Teacher Just like before, we have to bring in a number to keep dividing. I'll bring in the next digit from the dividend. (Draw arrow and write.) When I bring in the \_\_\_, \_\_ now becomes \_\_\_. This is our new dividend. What's Teacher our new dividend? Students Teacher Let's follow the steps again: divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. What do we do? Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. Teacher How many groups of (divisor) can we make with our new dividend of ? Students groups. **Teacher** We can make groups. So, let's write above the division bracket. (Write.) So, let's multiply. What's times (divisor)? **Teacher** Students Let's write below the . Teacher (Write.) Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line. What sign? Students Minus sign. Teacher And let's subtract minus . What do we subtract? Students minus . What's \_\_ minus \_\_? Teacher Students Teacher Let's write the difference here under the equal line. (Write.) **Teacher** Now, do we have any remaining? Students No! Teacher Now, we seem finished but we're not. In this problem, we divided decimals. So, we have to place the decimal point in the quotient. What do we have to place in the product? Students A decimal point. Teacher To place the decimal point, we determine the number of decimal places in the dividend and divisor. Let's see. The dividend had \_\_ decimal places. The divisor also had decimal places. What's plus ? Students Teacher So, in the quotient, we need to put in \_\_\_ decimal places starting from the least place value (or the right). That means I'll place a decimal point between the \_\_ and \_\_.





Teacher So, what's the quotient?

Students \_\_\_.

Teacher The quotient is \_\_. So, \_\_ (dividend) divided by \_\_ (divisor) equals \_\_. Say that

with me.

Students \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_.

Teacher So, if you have \_\_ and divide by \_\_, the quotient is \_\_. Let's review. What's a

dividend?

Students The total number that will be divided.

Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you equally share or measure groups.

Teacher How could you explain dividing to a friend?

Students We asked ourselves about how many groups we can make with the divisor from

the dividend. The number of groups is the quotient.

#### **Example**

0.788
5) 3.94 0
_ 35
44
40 \
40
_ 40
0

#### 3-DIGIT ÷ 1-DIGIT: EXAMPLE WITHOUT MANIPULATIVES

Teacher Let's work on division. What does it mean to divide?

Students To share equally or measure into groups.

Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division bracket (point). The division bracket tells us to divide.

What does the division bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem with our pencil. First, when I see a problem like this that

requires computation, I like to draw vertical lines to separate the ones from the tenths and the tenths from the hundredths. Let's draw a vertical line

between each of the columns in the dividend.

(Draw vertical lines to separate place value columns.)

Teacher Now, we start by dividing the dividend by the divisor. What's our dividend?





Students 3.94.

Teacher And we'll divide the dividend by the divisor. What's the divisor?

Students 5.

Teacher When we divide using this method, for each place value in the dividend, the

first thing we do is divide. If we can divide, then we multiply, subtract, and then bring in the next place value. So, the pattern is: divide, multiply,

subtract, bring in. Say that with me.

Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in.

Teacher And we keep repeating that pattern until we have solved the problem. Let's

see how it works. Are you ready?

Students Yes!

Teacher Okay, so we start with the greatest place value of the dividend. Where do we

start?

Students Greatest place value of the dividend.

Teacher In this problem, the greatest place value of the dividend is 3. What number?

Students 3.

**Teacher** How many groups of 5 can we make with 3? Students We can't make any groups of 5 if we have 3.

Teacher We can't make a group of 5. So, now we bring in the 9 to make 39. I think

how many groups of 39 can we make if we have 5?

Students We can make 7 groups of 5.

Teacher We can make 7 groups. So, let's write 7 above the division bracket in the

tenths column.

(Write 7.)

Teacher So, now let's multiply 7 times 5. What's 7 times 5?

Students 35.

Teacher Let's write that product of 35 below the 39 in the dividend.

(Write 35.)

Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line to help us subtract 35 from 39.

What sign?

Students Minus sign.

Teacher What do we subtract?

Students 39 minus 35.

Teacher What's 39 minus 35?

Students 4.

Teacher Let's write the difference here under the equal line.

(Write 4.)

Teacher Now, we bring in the hundredth to our difference. I like to show this by

drawing an arrow from the 4 and rewriting the 4 next to 4.

(Draw arrow and write 4.)

Teacher When I bring in the 4, 4 now becomes 44. This is our new dividend. What's

our new dividend?

Students 44.





Teacher So, we followed the steps of division: divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. Say

that with me.

Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in.

Teacher But the problem isn't finished. Let's follow the steps again: divide, multiply,

subtract, bring in. What do we do?

Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in.

Teacher How many groups of 5 can we make with our new dividend of 44?

Students 8 groups.

Teacher We can make 8 groups. So, let's write 8 above the division bracket in the

hundredths column.

(Write 8.)

Teacher So, let's multiply. What's 8 times 5?

Students 40.

Teacher Let's write 40 below the 44.

(Write 40.)

Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line. What sign?

Students Minus sign.

Teacher And let's subtract 44 minus 40. What do we subtract?

Students 44 minus 40.

Teacher What's 44 minus 40?

Students 4

Teacher Let's write the difference here under the equal line.

(Write 4.)

Teacher Now, do we have any remaining?

Students Yes!

Teacher Just like before, we have to bring in a number to keep dividing. This time, I'll

bring in from the hundredths place. Is there a number written in the

hundredths place?

Students No.

Teacher There is no number written there. But what number is in the thousandths

place just holding place value?

Students Zero.

Teacher Yes, we assume a zero is in the thousandths place. So, I'll bring in a 0. I like to

show this by drawing an arrow from the assumed 0 and writing the 0 next to

4.

(Draw arrow and write 0.)

Teacher When I bring in the 0, 4 now becomes 40. This is our new dividend. What's

our new dividend?

Students 40.

Teacher Let's follow the steps again: divide, multiply, subtract, bring in. What do we

do?

Students Divide, multiply, subtract, bring in.

Teacher How many groups of 5 can we make with our new dividend of 40?

Students 8 groups.





Teacher We can make 8 groups. So, let's write 8 above the division bracket in the

thousandths column.

(Write 8.)

Teacher So, let's multiply. What's 8 times 5?

Students 40

Teacher Let's write 40 below the 40.

(Write 40.)

Teacher Now, let's write a minus sign and an equal line. What sign?

Students Minus sign.

Teacher And let's subtract 40 minus 40. What do we subtract?

Students 40 minus 40.

Teacher What's 40 minus 40?

Students 0.

Teacher Let's write the difference here under the equal line.

(Write 0.)

Teacher Now, do we have any remaining?

Students No!

Teacher Now, we seem finished but we're not. In this problem, we divided decimals.

So, we have to place the decimal point in the quotient. What do we have to

place in the product?

Students A decimal point.

Teacher To place the decimal point, we determine the number of decimal places in the

dividend and divisor. Let's see. The dividend had 3 decimal places. The divisor

had 0 decimal places. What's 3 plus 0?

Students 3.

Teacher So, in the quotient, we need to put in 3 decimal places starting from the least

place value (or the right). That means I'll place a decimal point between the 0

and 7.

Teacher So, what's the quotient?

Students 0.788.

Teacher The quotient is 0.788. So, 3.94 divided by 5 equals 0.788. Say that with me.

Students 3.94 divided by 5 equals 0.788.

Teacher So, if you have 3.94 and divide by 5, the quotient is 0.788. Let's review.

What's a dividend?

Students The total number that will be divided.

Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you equally share or measure groups.

Teacher How could you explain dividing to a friend?

Students We asked ourselves about how many groups we can make with the divisor from

the dividend. The number of groups is the quotient.





#### (3) Division with Partial Quotients Algorithm\*

\*For clarity, read **Example** before using **Routines**.

#### Routine

#### Materials:

- Module 15 Problem Sets
- Module 15 Vocabulary Cards
  - If necessary, review Vocabulary Cards before teaching

#### 3-DIGIT ÷ 2-DIGIT: ROUTINE WITHOUT MANIPULATIVES

Teacher Let's work on division. What does it mean to divide?

Students To share equally or measure into groups.

Teacher Division means to share equally or to measure into groups. Look at this

problem.

(Show problem.)

Teacher First, I see a division bracket (point). The division bracket tells us to divide.

What does the division bracket mean?

Students To divide.

Teacher Let's do this problem with our pencil, and let's use the partial quotients

strategy. If I want to use the partial quotients strategy, I first draw a vertical

line down from the end of the division bracket.

(Draw vertical line from end of division bracket.)

Teacher With the partial quotients strategy, we divide the dividend a few different

times. Each time we create a partial quotient. At the end, we add the partial quotients to determine the final quotient. Which strategy are we using again?

Students Partial quotients.

Teacher Now, we start by dividing the dividend by the divisor. What's our dividend?

Students

Teacher And we'll divide the dividend by the divisor. What's the divisor?

Students \_\_\_.

Teacher When we divide with decimals, let's ignore all the decimals for now. We'll

interpret this as \_\_divided by \_\_. We'll bring back the decimals at the end.

What will we ignore for now?

Students Decimals.

Teacher I don't know exactly how many groups of (divisor) I can make with

(dividend), so the partial quotients strategy can be used with computation

that I do know. Which strategy are we using?

Students Partial quotients.

**Teacher** How many groups of \_\_ (divisor) can we make with \_\_ (dividend)?

Students I'm not sure.

Teacher I don't know the exact answer either, so I'll use a partial quotient to start

solving this problem. I know that \_\_ (friendly number) groups of \_\_ (divisor)





would be (friendly number times divisor product), so I'll write (product) under the (dividend). I'll also write (partial quotient) to the right of the vertical line. \_\_ is one of my partial quotients. (Write.) Teacher Now, I'll subtract (product) from the dividend of to determine a new dividend. I write a minus sign and an equal line. (Write minus sign and equal line.) \_\_\_ (dividend) minus \_\_\_ (product) equals what? Teacher Students Let's write the difference of \_\_ below the equal line. Teacher Teacher Now, how many groups of \_\_ (divisor) can we make with \_\_ (new dividend)? Students I'm not sure. Again, I don't know the exact answer either, so I'll use a partial quotient. I Teacher know that \_\_\_ (friendly number) groups of \_\_\_ (divisor) would be \_\_\_. I'll write \_\_\_ (product) under the (new dividend). I'll also write (partial quotient) to the right of the vertical line. \_\_ is one of my partial quotients. (Write.) Now, I'll subtract \_\_ (product) from the dividend of \_\_ (new dividend) to Teacher determine a new dividend. I write a minus sign and an equal line. (Write minus sign and equal line.) **Teacher** (new dividend) minus (product) equals what? Students Let's write the difference of \_\_ below the equal line. Teacher (Write.) Teacher Now, how many groups of (divisor) can we make with ? Students Yes! I know that \_\_ (friendly number) groups of \_\_ (divisor) would be \_\_. I'll Teacher write \_\_ under the \_\_ (new dividend). I'll also write \_\_ (partial quotient) to the right of the vertical line. \_\_ is one of my partial quotients. **Teacher** Now, I'll subtract from the dividend of to determine a new dividend. I write a minus sign and an equal line. (Write minus sign and equal line.) **Teacher** minus equals what? Students Let's write the difference of \_\_ below the equal line. Teacher (Write.) Teacher This is our new dividend. Can we make any more groups of (divisor)? Students Teacher We can't make any more groups of (divisor), so let's determine our quotient. We do this by adding the partial quotients together. How do we determine the quotient? Add the partial quotients together. Students





Teacher Let's write a plus sign and equal line.

(Write plus sign and equal line.)

Teacher What's \_\_ plus \_\_ plus ...?

Students \_\_\_.

Teacher Let's write the sum of the partial quotients below the equal line.

(Write.)

Teacher We also could write the quotient above the division bracket.

(Write.)

Teacher What's the quotient?

Students \_\_\_.

Teacher Now, we seem finished but we're not. In this problem, we divided decimals.

So, we have to place the decimal point in the quotient. What do we have to

place in the quotient?

Students A decimal point.

Teacher To place the decimal point, we determine the number of decimal places in the

dividend and divisor. Let's see. The dividend had decimal places. The

divisor also had \_\_ decimal places. What's \_\_ plus \_\_?

Students \_\_\_.

Teacher So, in the quotient, we need to put in \_\_\_ decimal places starting from the

greatest place value of the quotient. That means I'll place a decimal point .

(Write decimal point.)

Teacher So, what's the quotient?

Students .

Teacher So, \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_. Let's say that together.

Students \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_.

Teacher Let's say it together again.

Students \_\_ divided by \_\_ equals \_\_.

**Teacher** Let's review. What's a dividend?
Students The total number that will be divided.

Teacher What's a divisor?

Students The number of groups we will make.

Teacher What's a quotient?

Students The result in each group after you equally share or measure groups.

Teacher How could you explain partial quotients to a friend?

Students We kept asking how many groups of the divisor we could make with the

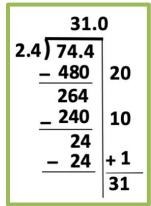
dividend. We didn't know the exact answer, so we used computation we did know as partial quotients. At the end, we added the partial quotients for the

final quotient.





#### **Example**



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line down from the end of the division bracket. (Draw vertical line from end of division bracket.)

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times. Each time we create a partial quotient. At the end, we add the partial quotients to determine the final quotient. Which strategy are we using again?

Students Partial quotients.

Teacher Now, we start by dividing the dividend by the divisor. What's our dividend?

Students 74.4

Teacher And we'll divide the dividend by the divisor. What's the divisor?

Students 2.4.

Teacher When we divide with decimals, let's ignore all the decimals for now. We'll

interpret this as 744 divided by 24. We'll bring back the decimals at the end.

What will we ignore for now?

Students Decimals.

Teacher I don't know exactly how many groups of 24 I can make with 744, so the

partial quotients strategy can be used with computation that I do know.

Which strategy are we using?

Students Partial quotients.

Teacher How many groups of 24 can we make with 744?

Students I'm not sure.





Teacher I don't know the exact answer either, so I'll use a partial quotient to start

solving this problem. I know that 20 groups of 24 would be 480, so I'll write 480 under the 744. I'll also write 20 to the right of the vertical line. 20 is one

of my partial quotients.

(Write 480 and 20.)

Teacher Now, I'll subtract 480 from the dividend of 744 to determine a new dividend. I

write a minus sign and an equal line.

(Write minus sign and equal line.)

Teacher 744 minus 480 equals what?

Students 264.

Teacher Let's write the difference of 264 below the equal line.

(Write 264.)

Teacher Now, how many groups of 24 can we make with 264?

Students I'm not sure.

Teacher Again, I don't know the exact answer either, so I'll use a partial quotient. I

know that 10 groups of 24 would be 240. I'm using computation that's easier for me to do – so I like to think about 20 groups of 24 or 10 groups of 24. So, 10 groups of 24 equals 240. I'll write 240 under the 264. I'll also write 10 to

the right of the vertical line. 10 is one of my partial quotients.

(Write 240 and 10.)

Teacher Now, I'll subtract 240 from the dividend of 264 to determine a new dividend. I

write a minus sign and an equal line.

(Write minus sign and equal line.)

Teacher 264 minus 240 equals what?

Students 24.

Teacher Let's write the difference of 24 below the equal line.

(Write 24.)

Teacher Now, how many groups of 24 can we make with 24?

Students 1!

Teacher Yes! I know that 1 group of 24 would be 24. I'll write 24 under the 24. I'll also

write 1 to the right of the vertical line. 1 is one of my partial quotients.

(Write 24 and 1.)

Teacher Now, I'll subtract 24 from the dividend of 24 to determine a new dividend. I

write a minus sign and an equal line.

(Write minus sign and equal line.)

Teacher 24 minus 24 equals what?

Students 0.

Teacher Let's write the difference of 0 below the equal line.

(Write 0.)

Teacher This 0 is our new dividend. Can we make any more groups of 24?

Students No!

Teacher We can't make any more groups of 24, so let's determine our quotient. We do

this by adding the partial quotients together. How do we determine the

quotient?





Students Add the partial quotients together.

Teacher Let's write a plus sign and equal line.

(Write plus sign and equal line.)

Teacher What's 20 plus 10 plus 1?

Students 31.

Teacher Let's write the sum of the partial quotients below the equal line.

(Write 31.)

Teacher We also could write the quotient above the division bracket.

(Write 31.)

Teacher What's the quotient?

Students 31.

Teacher Now, we seem finished but we're not. In this problem, we divided decimals.

So, we have to place the decimal point in the quotient. What do we have to

place in the quotient?

Students A decimal point.

Teacher To place the decimal point, we determine the number of decimal places in the

dividend and divisor. Let's see. The dividend had 1 decimal place. The divisor

also had 1 decimal place. What's 1 plus 1?

Students 2.

Teacher So, in the quotient, we need to put in 2 decimal places starting from the

greatest place value of the quotient. That means I'll place a decimal point

after the 31. I would write 31.0 if I wanted to do so.

(Write decimal point.)

Teacher So, what's the quotient?

Students 31.0.

Teacher So, 74.4 divided by 2.4 equals 31.0. Let's say that together.

Students 74.4 divided by 2.4 equals 31.0.

Teacher Let's say it together again.

Students 74.4 divided by 2.4 equals 31.0.

Teacher Let's review. What's a dividend?

Students The total number that will be divided.

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Students We kept asking how many groups of 24 we could make with the dividend. We

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#### **D. Problems for Use During Instruction**

See Module 15 Problem Sets.

#### **E. Vocabulary Cards for Use During Instruction**

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# Module 15: Division of Rational Numbers

#### **Problem Sets**

- A. Proper fractions (30)
- B. <u>Improper fractions (15)</u>
- C. <u>Mixed numbers (15)</u>
- D. <u>Decimals with tenths; no remainder (20)</u>
- E. Decimals with hundredths; no remainder (20)
- F. <u>Decimals with tenths and hundredths; no remainder (30)</u>
- G. Decimals with tenths and hundredths; remainder (10)

 2
 .
 1

 3
 .
 2

 3
 1

 4
 2

 3
 2

 5
 3

 1
 2

 6
 3

 18
 4

 10
 5

4 2

1 - 2 - 5

1 <u>3</u> <u>4</u> <u>4</u>

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\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{5} \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}

A 1 . 3 . 4

 18
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 3

 10
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 4

A 5 1 1 = 3

A. 4 . 1 . 6 . 5

 5
 .
 2

 8
 .
 3

 15
 1

 10
 4

 8
 2

 10
 5

9 . 2 = 10 10 5

A. 5 1 1 2 2

12 <u>2</u> <u>3</u> =

 9
 4

 3
 5

 8
 2

 3
 3

B. 4 . 2 . 4 . 4

 $\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{3}{3}$ 

 4
 3

 3
 8

 $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$ 

3 4 - 1 - 6

 $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} =$ 

 $\frac{3}{5} \div \frac{2}{5} =$ 

$$\frac{4}{5} + \frac{4}{5} = \frac{4}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$$

 $5\frac{2}{3} \div \frac{1}{5} =$ 

 $\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} =$ 

 $\frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{3} =$ 

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

 $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} =$ 

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

 $\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{5}{6} =$ 

\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{-1} \frac{1}{2} =

 $9\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{1}{3} =$ 

## 0.3)2.4

# 0.5)4.5

## 0.7)9.1

# 57.0

#### 0.1)0.8

# 0.6)4.2

## 0.8)7.2

### 0.1)3.6

#### 0.2)2.8

# 0.9)5.4

### 0.4)9.6

# 3 3.6

## 0.7)7.7

# 0.6)4.8

# 0.3)5.1

# 8 7.2

#### 0.8)9.6

## 0.4)7.2

## 0.5)9.5

## 0.2)6.4

### 6)8.64

# 3,93

## 8)4.32

# 4)8.84

# 57.20

#### 9)9.09

## 7 5.25

#### 8)2.88

#### 6)9.00

## 3)4.38

#### .04)16

## 3).24

### 53.65

## 4)12.08

## .08).64

## .09/10.89

## .16)5.67

#### .45)14.85

## 6.2 23.25

#### 3)96.3

## 3.6)27.68

#### 4.18)41.80

#### 0.8]1.68

## 4.2 14.28

### 3.3)20.46

## 2.3 19.32

## 1.8)15.48

#### 4.8)5.28

## 1.9)93.1

## 5.1)19.38

#### 0.9)9.54

## 7.9)51.35

## 2.1)31.5

#### 6.8)88.4

## 6.1)12.2

# 4.5)17.1

## 7.8331.98

## 3.1)24.18

## 1.7)54.23

## 3.7)92.5

### 3.8)83.6

## 0.3)79.5

## 3.8)47.5

## 5.175.99

## 2.1)1.47

## 4.8)47.07

### 4.3 36.12

## 1.8)7.2

### 8.4)24.36

## 1.9)81.89

## 2 1.09

### 67.18

### 9 2.69

### 4)9.83

## 3 8.41

### 9.13)9.92

## 5.99)41.9

## 6.04)75.96

### 6.21)6.99

## 8.64)47.4

# Module 15: Division of Rational Numbers

#### **Vocabulary Cards**

algorithm
computation
decimal
denominator
divide/division
dividend
division sign
divisor
equal groups
equal sign
fractions

hundredths
improper fraction
least common multiple
mixed number
numerator
ones
quotient
reciprocal
remainder
regroup/trade/exchange
tenths

### algorithm

A procedure or description of steps that can be used to solve a problem.

### computation

The action used to solve a problem.

#### decimal

A number based on powers of ten.

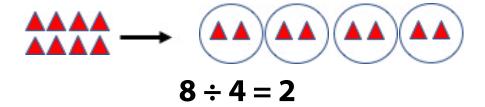
### denominator

The term in a fraction that tells the number of equal parts in a whole.

$$\frac{2}{3}$$
 In these fractions, 3 is the denominator.

### divide/division

To separate into equal groups.



#### dividend

The number that is to be divided in a division problem.

### division sign

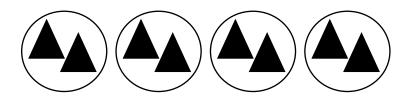
The symbol that tells you to divide.

#### divisor

The number that the dividend is divided by.

### equal groups

Groups with the same number of objects or items in each group.



### equal sign

The symbol that tells you that two sides of an equation are the same, balanced, or equal.

$$16 \div 8 = 2$$
 = is the equal sign

#### fraction

A number representing part of a whole or set.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 3 & 10 \\ \hline 6 & 12 \end{array}$$

### hundredths

The digit in representing  $\frac{1}{100}$ .

In the number 4.23, 3 is in the hundredths place.

### improper fraction

Any fraction in which the numerator is greater than the denominator.

$$\frac{9}{4}$$
  $\frac{17}{12}$   $\frac{10}{3}$ 

### least common multiple

The common multiple with the least value.

With multiples of 6 and 8, the least common multiple is 24.

#### mixed number

A whole number and a fraction combined.

$$1\frac{1}{6}$$
  $4\frac{5}{12}$   $12\frac{4}{3}$ 

#### numerator

The term in a fraction that tells how many parts of a fraction.

$$\frac{2}{3}$$
 In these fractions, 2 is the numerator.

#### ones

The digit representing 1.

In the number 4.23, 4 is in the ones place.

### quotient

The number that results when one number is divided by another number.

$$16 \div 8 = 2$$
2 is the quotient

### reciprocal

The reciprocal of a number is 1 divided by that number.

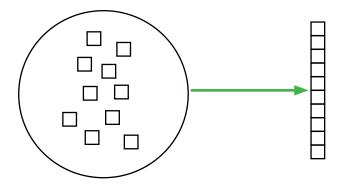
original number reciprocal 
$$\frac{4}{9}$$
  $\frac{9}{4}$ 

### remainder

The amount left over in a division problem.

### regroup/trade/exchange

The process of exchanging 10 ones for 1 ten, 10 tens for 1 hundred, 10 hundreds for 1 thousand, etc.



#### tenths

The digit in representing 
$$\frac{1}{10}$$

In the number 4.23, 2 is in the tenths place.