



# Visualizing Fractions

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### Part 1 – Multiplying Fractions with Area Models

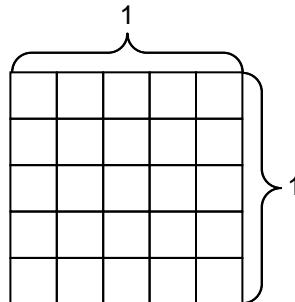
For each exercise, draw an **area model** representation of the multiplication. Report all fractions in lowest terms.

1. Multiply  $\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{5}$ .

Press the green **ALPHA** key, then **[Y=]** for **[F1]**. Choose the fraction template by pressing **[ENTER]**. Type the numerator 4. Press **► [5]** to type the denominator 5. Press **►** to move out of the denominator and multiply. Press **[x]**. Press **ALPHA** **[F1]** **[ENTER]** **[3]** to type the numerator of the second fraction, 3. Press **► [5]** to type the denominator 5. Press **[ENTER]**.

Write the fraction. \_\_\_\_\_

What percent of the 1 by 1 square is shaded? \_\_\_\_\_

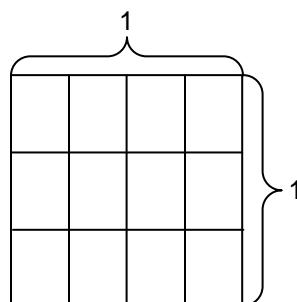


2. Multiply  $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$ .

Press **ALPHA** **[F1]** **[ENTER]** **[2]** to type the numerator 2. Press **► [3]** to type the denominator 3. Press **►** to move out of the denominator and multiply. Press **[x]**. Press **ALPHA** **[F1]** **[ENTER]** **[1]** to type the numerator of the second fraction, 1. Press **► [4]** to type the denominator 4. Press **[ENTER]**.

Write the fraction. \_\_\_\_\_

What percent of the 1 by 1 square is shaded? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a percent.)

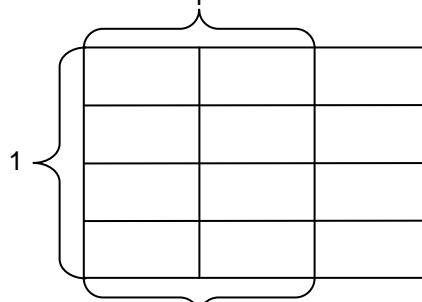


3. Multiply  $1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4}$ .

To get the mixed fraction math template, press **ALPHA** **[F1]** and choose the second option. Press **[1]** **► [1]** **► [2]**. Press **►** to move out of the denominator and press **[x]**. To enter the second fraction press **ALPHA** **[F1]** **[ENTER]** **[3]** **► [4]**. Press **[ENTER]**.

Write the fraction. \_\_\_\_\_

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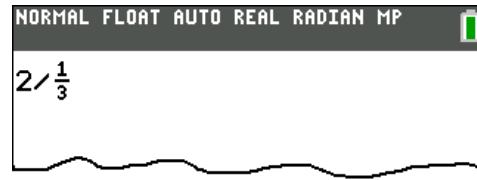
### Part 2 – Dividing Fractions with Fraction Tiles

Show each division exercise with fraction tiles.

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

Press [2] [÷] [ALPHA] [F1] [ENTER] [1] ► [3]. Press [ENTER].

Write the answer. \_\_\_\_\_



5. Kara has  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of almond milk left. She uses  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup each morning with breakfast. How many breakfast servings does Kara have left?

Press [ALPHA] [F1] [ENTER] [1] ► [2]. Press ► to move out of the denominator and select [÷]. Enter the second fraction, [ALPHA] [F1] [ENTER] [1] ► [4].

Press [ENTER].

Write the answer. \_\_\_\_\_



6. Write a story problem in which the number 4 is divided by the fraction  $\frac{1}{5}$ . Use the context of the problem to explain the relationship between multiplication and division.





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### Part 3 – Multiplying and Dividing Decimals

For Exercises **7**, **8**, **9**, and **10**, estimate the answer before calculating the value.

**7.**  $26.45 \times 0.25$

First, my estimate is \_\_\_\_\_.

Now type **[2] [6] [.] [4] [5]** and multiply this by 0.25 by pressing **[ $\times$ ] [0] [.] [2] [5] [**ENTER**]**.

$26.45 \times 0.25 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**8.**  $35.5 \div 4.2$

First, my estimate is \_\_\_\_\_.

Now type **[3] [5] [.] [5]** and select **[ $\div$ ]**. Enter the second decimal, **[4] [.] [2]**. Press **[ENTER]**.

$35.5 \div 4.2 \approx$  \_\_\_\_\_

(Round to the nearest thousandth.)

**9.**  $14.25 \times 1.0825$

First, my estimate is \_\_\_\_\_.

Use keystrokes similar to those shown in Exercises **7** and **8** to find

$14.25 \times 1.0825 \approx$  \_\_\_\_\_.

(Round to the nearest thousandth.)

**10.**  $325 \div 18.25$

First, my estimate is \_\_\_\_\_.

Use keystrokes similar to those shown in Exercises **7** and **8** to find

$325 \div 18.25 \approx$  \_\_\_\_\_.

(Round to the nearest thousandth.)

For Exercises **11** and **12**, circle the correct choice.

Explain how you could determine the correct value without a calculator by using estimation.

**11.** Which of these is  $9.85 \times 2.4$ ?

A. 2364

B. 236.4

C. 23.64

D. 2.364

**12.** Which of these is  $5006.11 \div 52.42$ ?

A. 955

B. 95.5

C. 9.55

D. 0.955



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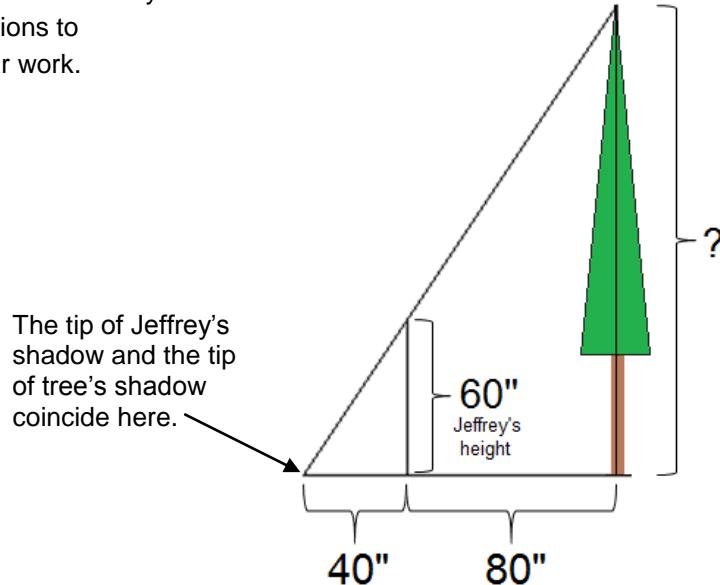
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#### Part 4 – Solve Similarity Problems

Use the diagrams to help you solve the problem.



13. When Jeffrey was born, his parents planted a tree in the backyard. He has decided on his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday to see how tall the tree is. Use proportions to determine the tree height. Show your work.



14. Moriah is 64 inches tall and casts a shadow that is 24 inches long. She is standing next to a billboard that casts a shadow 15 feet long. Use proportions to determine the distance from the ground to the top of the billboard. Show your work.

