

# Unit 4 Fraction Computation

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Math, Fourth Grade

Unit 4: Fraction Computation

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## Unit Overview

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- Model addition of fractions.
- Decompose fractions.
- Add fractions with like denominators.
- Model subtraction of fractions.
- Subtract fractions with like denominators.
- Estimate fraction sums and differences.
- Model addition and subtraction of mixed numbers.
- Add mixed numbers.
- Extend multiplication concepts to fractions.
- Multiply a fraction by a whole number.
- Multiply a fraction by a whole number using symbols.
- Multiply a whole number and a mixed number.
- Represent and interpret data on line plots.
- Read and make line plots.
- Use extra week to build in Assessment for each Topic and or Unit, as well as Re-teaching and Enrichment.

## NJSLS

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MA.4.NF.A.1

Explain why a fraction  $a/b$  is equivalent to a fraction  $(n \times a)/(n \times b)$  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.

MA.4.NF.A.2	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 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Recognize that comparisons are valid only when the two fractions refer to the same whole. Record the results of comparisons with symbols $>$ , $=$ , or $<$ , and justify the conclusions, e.g., by using a visual fraction model.
MA.4.NF.B.3	Understand a fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ with $a > 1$ as a sum of fractions $\frac{1}{b}$ .
MA.4.NF.B.4	Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication to multiply a fraction by a whole number.
MA.4.NF.B.3a	Understand addition and subtraction of fractions as joining and separating parts referring to the same whole.
MA.4.NF.B.3b	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.
MA.4.NF.B.3c	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.
MA.4.NF.B.3d	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.
MA.4.NF.B.4a	Understand a fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ as a multiple of $\frac{1}{b}$ .
MA.4.NF.B.4b	Understand a multiple of $\frac{a}{b}$ as a multiple of $\frac{1}{b}$ , and use this understanding to multiply a fraction by a whole number.
MA.4.NF.B.4c	Solve word problems involving multiplication of a fraction by a whole number, e.g., by using visual fraction models and equations to represent the problem.
MA.4.NF.C	Understand decimal notation for fractions, and compare decimal fractions.
MA.4.NF.C.5	Express a fraction with denominator 10 as an equivalent fraction with denominator 100, and use this technique to add two fractions with respective denominators 10 and 100.
MA.4.NF.C.6	Use decimal notation for fractions with denominators 10 or 100.
MA.4.NF.C.7	Compare two decimals to hundredths by reasoning about their size. Recognize that comparisons are valid only when the two decimals refer to the same whole. Record the results of comparisons with the symbols $>$ , $=$ , or $<$ , and justify the conclusions, e.g., by using a visual model.

## Exit Skills

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By the end of Grade 4 Mathematics, students in the Belleville Public Schools will be able to:

- **Develop an understanding and fluency with multi-digit multiplication and develop an understanding of dividing to find quotients involving multi-digit dividends. Students will also work toward fluency in addition and subtraction within 1,000,000 using the standard algorithm:** Students generalize their understanding of place value to 1,000,000, understanding the relative sizes of numbers in each place. They apply their understanding of models for multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, and area models), place value, and properties of operations, in particular the distributive property, as they develop, discuss, and use efficient, accurate, and generalizable methods to compute products of multi-digit whole numbers. Depending on the numbers and the context, they select and accurately apply appropriate methods to estimate or mentally calculate products. They develop fluency with efficient procedures for multiplying whole numbers; understand and explain why the procedures work based on place value and properties of operations; and use them to solve problems. Students apply their understanding of models for division, place value, properties of operations, and the relationship of division to multiplication as they develop, discuss, and use efficient, accurate, and generalizable

procedures to find quotients involving multi-digit dividends. They select and accurately apply appropriate methods to estimate and mentally calculate quotients, and interpret remainders based upon the context.

- **Develop an understanding of fraction equivalence, addition and subtraction of fractions with like denominators, and multiplication of fractions by whole numbers:**

Students develop understanding of fraction equivalence and operations with fractions. They recognize that two different fractions can be equal (e.g.,  $15/9 = 5/3$ ), and they develop methods for generating and recognizing equivalent fractions. Students extend previous understandings about how fractions are built from unit fractions, composing fractions from unit fractions, decomposing fractions into unit fractions, and using the meaning of fractions and the meaning of multiplication to multiply a fraction by a whole number.

- **Understand that geometric figures can be analyzed and classified based on their properties, such as having parallel sides, perpendicular sides, particular angle measures, and symmetry:**

Students describe, analyze, compare, and classify two-dimensional shapes. Through building, drawing, and analyzing two-dimensional shapes, students deepen their understanding of properties of two-dimensional objects and the use of them to solve problems involving symmetry.

## **Enduring Understanding**

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- Any fraction  $a/b$  can be written as  $a$  times the unit fraction  $1/b$ .
- Models and equations can be used to represent problems and compute products of whole numbers and fractions.
- Models and equations can be used to represent problems and compute products of whole numbers and mixed numbers.
- The standard algorithms for adding, subtracting, and dividing can be used to solve time problems.
- A line plot organizes data on a number line and is useful for showing how data are distributed.
- Data from line plots can be used to solve problems.

## **Essential Questions**

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- How can you describe a fraction using a unit fraction?
- How can you multiply a whole number by a mixed number?
- How can you read data on a line plot?
- How can you make a line plot?

## **Learning Objectives**

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**After extending multiplication concepts to fractions, students will be able to:**

- **Select** a model and **show** a fraction as a multiple of a unit fraction,

- by **choosing** symbols or equations by **illustrating** and **defending** the answer you **generated**.

Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
Choose	Classify	Choose	Categorize	Appraise	Combine
Describe	Defend	Dramatize	Classify	Judge	Compose
Define	Demonstrate	Explain	Compare	Criticize	Construct
Label	Distinguish	Generalize	Differentiate	Defend	Design
List	Explain	Judge	Distinguish	Compare	Develop
Locate	Express	Organize	Identify	Assess	Formulate
Match	Extend	Paint	Infer	Conclude	Hypothesize
Memorize	Give Examples	Prepare	Point out	Contrast	Invent
Name	Illustrate	Produce	Select	Critique	Make
Omit	Indicate	Select	Subdivide	Determine	Originate
Recite	Interrelate	Show	Survey	Grade	Organize
Select	Interpret	Sketch	Arrange	Justify	Plan
State	Infer	Solve	Breakdown	Measure	Produce
Count	Match	Use	Combine	Rank	Role Play
Draw	Paraphrase	Add	Detect	Rate	Drive
Outline	Represent	Calculate	Diagram	Support	Devise
Point	Restate	Change	Discriminate	Test	Generate
Quote	Rewrite	Classify	Illustrate		Integrate
Recall	Select	Complete	Outline		Prescribe
Recognize	Show	Compute	Point out		Propose
Repeat	Summarize	Discover	Separate		Reconstruct
Reproduce	Tell	Divide			Revise
	Translate	Examine			Rewrite
	Associate	Graph			Transform
	Compute	Interpolate			
	Convert	Manipulate			
	Discuss	Modify			
	Estimate	Operate			
	Extrapolate	Subtract			
	Generalize				
	Predict				



## Interdisciplinary Connections

LA.K-12.NJSLSA.R	Reading
LA.K-12.NJSLSA.W	Writing
SOC.6.1.4.C.10	Explain the role of money, savings, debt, and investment in individuals' lives.
SOC.6.1.4.C.13	Examine the qualities of entrepreneurs in a capitalistic society.
SOC.6.1.4.C.CS2	Economics is a driving force for the occurrence of various events and phenomena in societies.
SOC.6.3.4.CS4	Make informed and reasoned decisions by seeking and assessing information, asking questions, and evaluating alternate solutions.
TECH.8.1.5	Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge.
TECH.8.1.5.A.5	Create and use a database to answer basic questions.

## **Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology**

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- English, reading or language arts
- World languages
- Arts
- Mathematics
- Economics
- Science
- Geography
- History
- Government and Civics

## **21st Century/Interdisciplinary Themes**

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- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

## **21st Century Skills**

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- Communication and Collaboration
- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Information Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Media Literacy

## **Technology Infusion**

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- Smart Board
- Student Lap-top

## Differentiation

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Utilize **Quick Check** in order to determine differentiation of instruction. **Assess and differentiate** page will prescribe the differentiated instruction activity.

- Intervention activity.
- Reteach.
- Technology center.
- On-level and advanced activity center.
- Leveled Assignment.

Resources:

- NJDOE: Instructional Supports and Scaffolds for Success in Implementing the Common Core State Standards <http://www.state.nj.us/education/modelcurriculum/success/math/k2/>

## Special Education

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- printed copy of board work/notes provided
- additional time for skill mastery
- assistive technology
- behavior management plan
- Center-Based Instruction
- check work frequently for understanding
- computer or electronic device utilizes
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- have student repeat directions to check for understanding
- highlighted text visual presentation
- modified assignment format
- modified test content
- modified test format
- modified test length
- multiple test sessions
- multi-sensory presentation
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- reduced/shortened reading assignments
- Reduced/shortened written assignments
- secure attention before giving instruction/directions



- shortened assignments
- student working with an assigned partner
- teacher initiated weekly assignment sheet
- Use open book, study guides, test prototypes

## **ELL**

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- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning;
- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using computer word processing spell check and grammar check features
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests

## **Intervention Strategies**

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- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
- allowing students to select from given choices
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- collaborating (general education teacher and specialist) to modify vocabulary, omit or modify items to reflect objectives for the student, eliminate sections of the test, and determine how the grade will be determined prior to giving the test.
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- marking students' correct and acceptable work, not the mistakes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments

- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using authentic assessments with real-life problem-solving
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify

## **Evidence of Student Learning-CFU's**

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- Admit Tickets
- Anticipation Guide
- Choral response
- Common benchmarks
- Compare & Contrast
- Create a Multimedia Poster
- Define
- Describe
- Evaluate
- Evaluation rubrics
- Exit Tickets
- Explaining
- Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
- Illustration
- Journals
- KWL Chart
- Newspaper Headline
- Outline
- Question Stems
- Quickwrite
- Quizzes
- Red Light, Green Light
- Self- assessments
- Socratic Seminar
- Study Guide
- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Thumbs up
- Top 10 List
- Unit tests

## Primary Resources

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- en-Vision math 2.0
- en-Vision math 2.0 Digital resources

## Ancillary Resources

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New Jersey Center for Teaching and Learning: [www.njctl.org](http://www.njctl.org)

PARCC site: [www.parcconline.org](http://www.parcconline.org)

Khan Academy:  
[www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

<http://www.mathworksheets4kids.com/activities/4th-grade.html>

<http://www.education.com/worksheets/fourth-grade/math/>

<http://www.math-drills.com/privacy.php>

[http://www.internet4classrooms.com/printables/common\\_core/math\\_mathematics\\_4th\\_fourth\\_grade/](http://www.internet4classrooms.com/printables/common_core/math_mathematics_4th_fourth_grade/)

<http://imathworksheets.com/geometry-worksheets-2complementary-angles-worksheets/volume-worksheets/volume-of-a-rectangular-prism/>

<http://illuminations.nctm.org/Search.aspx?view=search&type=ls&gr=3-5>

<http://www.k6-geometric-shapes.com/4th-grade-math-Worksheets.html>

<http://www.math-aids.com/>

<http://www.mathworksheetsland.com/>

<http://www.mathsisfun.com/worksheets/multiplication.php>

<http://www.softschools.com/mathg.jsp>

<http://interactivesites.weebly.com/addition.html>

<http://www.worksheetworks.com/math/geometry/measuring-figures/volume.html>

<http://www.math-salamanders.com/equivalent-fractions-worksheet.html>

<http://www.printable-math-worksheets.com/multiplication-array.html>

