Unit 2, Lesson 9

Explain Equivalence

Let's talk about how we know whether two fractions are equivalent.

Warm-up

Number Talk: Familiar Numbers

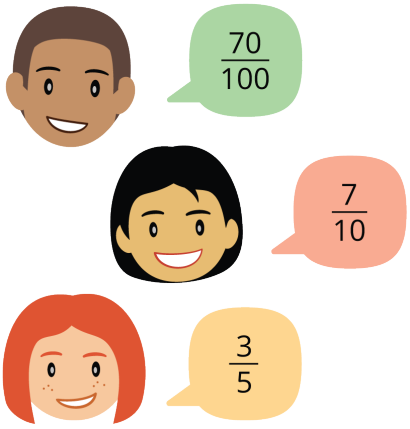
Find the value of each expression mentally.

- 10×6
- 10×12
- 10×24
- 5×24

Activity 1

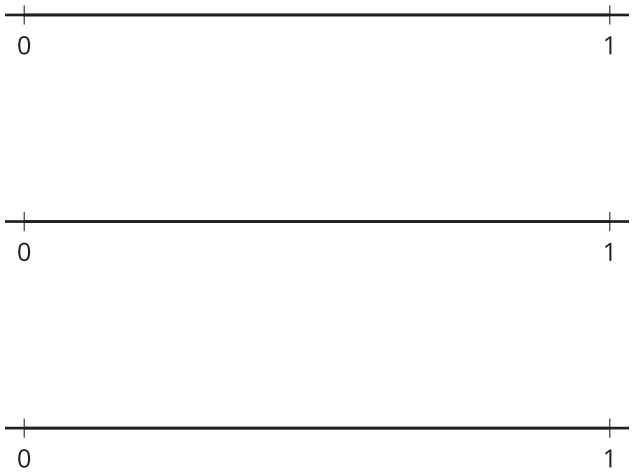
Pointed Discussion

Andre, Lin, and Clare will represent $\frac{70}{100}$ on a number line.



- Andre says, "Oh, no! We'll need to partition the line into 100 equal parts and count 70 parts just to mark one point!"
- Lin says, "What if we mark $\frac{7}{10}$ instead? We could partition the line into just 10 parts and count 7 parts."
- Clare says, "What if we partition the line into 5 parts and mark $\frac{3}{5}$?"

Do you agree with any of them? Explain or show your reasoning.



Activity 2

How Do You Know?

Around the room you will find 6 posters, each showing either 2 or 3 fractions.

With your group, visit at least 2 posters: one with 2 fractions and one with 3 fractions.

For the poster with 2 fractions:

- Explain or show how you know the fractions are equivalent.

- Write a new equivalent fraction on a sticky note and add it to the poster. Try to find a fraction that hasn't already been written by someone else.

  We visited poster _____, which shows _____ and _____.

  New equivalent fraction: _____

For the poster with 3 fractions:

- Identify 2 fractions that are equivalent. Explain your reasoning.

  We visited poster _____, which shows _____, _____, and _____.

  _____ and _____ are equivalent fractions.