



# Interpret Division Expressions

Let's make sense of division expressions.

## Warm-up

### Number Talk: More or Less?

Find the value of each expression mentally.

- $500 - 475$
- $504 - 475$
- $512 - 475$
- $512 - 449$



## Activity 1

### Spinning Tops

Spinning tops are popular around the world. Here are spinning tops from a few different cultures.



Match each situation about spinning tops with an expression that can represent it.

1. Clare has a collection of 24 spinning tops in 4 colors. She has the same number of tops in black, white, red, and green. How many tops of each color does she have?

A.  $24 \div 2$

2. Priya and her friend decorate 24 wooden tops with paint. Each person paints the same number of tops. How many tops does each person paint?

B.  $12 \div 2$

3. A store has 24 tops from around the world displayed in 6 boxes. Each box contains the same number of tops. How many tops are in each box?

C.  $24 \div 4$

4. Diego has 12 trompos (trohm-pohs) to give as gifts. He gives each friend 2 trompos. How many friends get trompos as gifts?

D.  $12 \div 6$

5. Six friends make 12 dreidels (dray-duhls). Each friend makes the same number of dreidels. How many dreidels does each friend make?

E.  $24 \div 6$



## Activity 2

### Cars in Boxes

Consider these 2 situations.

A. Han has 21 toy cars. He puts the same number of cars in each of 3 boxes. How many cars are in each box?

B. Han has 21 toy cars. He wants to put 3 cars in each box. How many boxes will he need?

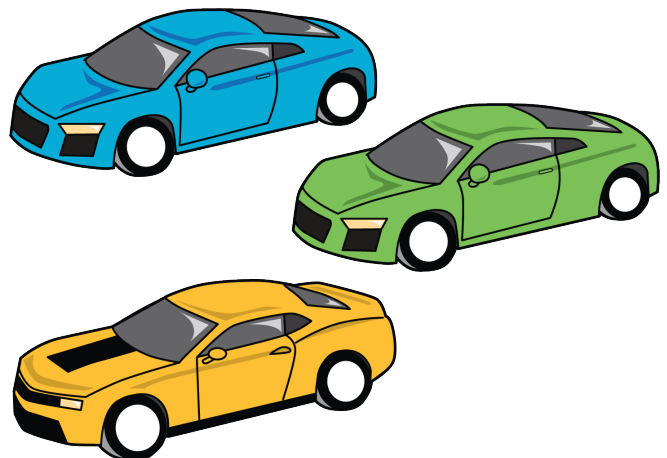
Which situation does the expression  $21 \div 3$  represent? Explain your reasoning.

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## Activity 3

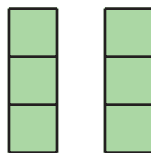
### Stacks of Blocks

Match each situation to a drawing and an expression that represent the situation. Be prepared to explain your reasoning.

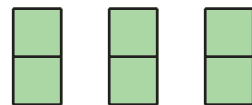
1. Kiran uses 6 blocks to make stacks. Each stack has 2 blocks. How many stacks are there?
2. Han uses 6 blocks to make 2 equal stacks. How many blocks are in each stack?
3. Jada uses 6 blocks to build stacks with 3 blocks each. How many stacks are there?
4. Mai uses 6 blocks to make 3 equal stacks. How many blocks are in each stack?

Drawings

A



B



Expressions

C

D

$$6 \div 2$$

$$6 \div 3$$

