

Finding a Fraction of an Amount

A fraction shows you how many parts of a whole there are. Finding a fraction of an amount tells you the value of that part.

To find a fraction of an amount:

1. Draw a bar to represent the amount.
2. Draw a bar beneath it to represent the fraction.
3. Shade the number of parts you are interested in.
4. Divide the whole number into the number of parts shown by the fraction bar.
5. Add the numbers in the shaded boxes.
6. State your answer.
7. This is the same as division followed by multiplication.

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Example: What is $\frac{5}{6}$ of 30?

