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# Changing Ratios to Percents

## Lesson at a Glance

### Prior Learning Needed

- Find equivalencies among fractions, whole numbers, mixed numbers, and decimals
- Use a division algorithm to find a decimal quotient

### Lesson Preparation

- Study Lesson Foundation
- Review Teaching Guide and Student Pages
- Prepare stapled packet of Student Pages 1–4 for each student
- Copy and cut in half Student Pages 5 and 6
- Post *Discussion Builders* poster

### Mathematical goals

- Find percents for ratios by first finding an equivalent decimal
- Round to the nearest tenth percent

### Mathematical language and reasoning goals

- Compare a ratio to common benchmarks such as 1 (or 100%) and  $\frac{1}{2}$  (or 50%)
- Use reasoning to know when to simplify a ratio before changing it to a decimal or percent

LESSON ROADMAP			MATERIALS
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# Lesson Foundation

## LESSON SNAPSHOT

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## MATHEMATICAL INSIGHTS & TEACHING TIPS

### Finding Percents for Ratios

Percents, decimals, and fractions are all ways of writing a ratio. To write a ratio that is in fraction form as a percent, first change the ratio to a decimal in hundredths. Abby realized that since the fraction line separating the numerator and denominator means "divided by," she could divide to find a decimal equivalent for  $24/60$ . However, she simplified the ratio first to find that  $24/60$  is equivalent to  $2/5$  or 40%. Students could be asked to prove that  $1/5$  is equivalent to 20% and  $2/5$  is equivalent to 40% by drawing a picture as they did in earlier lessons.

Pitfall

Walt mistakenly divided the lesser number into the greater number instead of the denominator into the numerator. He also made a mistake with the decimal point in his quotient.



*Encourage students to rewrite a ratio in lowest terms before dividing to find an equivalent decimal.*



# Lesson Foundation

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## MATHEMATICAL INSIGHTS & TEACHING TIPS (CONTINUED)

### Dividing a Greater Number into a Lesser Number

One way to find the correct percent is by dividing the denominator into the numerator. Walt, like many students, may have incorrectly thought that you can't divide a greater number like 60 into a lesser number like 24, so he switched and divided 24 into 60. This gave him the incorrect answer of 25, and he simply appended a percent to it.



*Students may have been told in earlier grades that they can't divide a lesser number by a greater number. Provide practice with problems like "What percent is 8 out of 16?" Talk about why dividing 8 into 16 and getting 2% or 20% doesn't make sense. This pitfall is particularly tempting because 8 divides evenly into 16.*

### Repeating Decimals and Rounding

Repeating decimals are frequently encountered when changing a ratio to a decimal. For example:  $2/3 = 0.6666\dots$ ,  $20/45 = 0.444\dots$ , and  $3/11 = 0.2727\dots$ . It is common to round the decimal to the thousandths place and give the percent to the nearest tenth of a percent (e.g.,  $2/3$  rounds to 0.667, so  $2/3 \approx 66.7\%$ ). Interpreting ratio-percent equivalencies is complex and important. For example, stating that  $5/8$  equals 62.5% means that 5 for every 8 is the same as 62.5 for every 100.

## MATHEMATICAL DISCUSSION SUPPORT

Ask students to write phrases such as "24 divided by 60" and "24 into 60" in symbol form. Point out that  $24 \div 60$  and  $60 \div 24$  are not equivalent statements. Also point out that you can divide a lesser number by a greater number and that the quotient is a number less than 1.



Have students practice using and interpreting a variety of phrases involving ratios, such as: "3 plants for every 4 seeds is 75% of the seeds germinating," "3 out of 12 people is 25% of all the people," or "27 baskets out of every 90 shots is a success rate of 30%." Using these phrases in the context of real situations is helpful for understanding and developing mathematical language.

# Core Lesson Day 1

## Opener

### Review *Discussion Builders*

Read the poster. **Suggest** a section to focus on today:

*Presenting Alternative Ideas, Expanding on Others' Ideas, or Posing Additional Questions.*

### Purpose

Distribute stapled packets of Student Pages 1–4. **Project** an image of page 1 (optional).

Call on a student to read the purpose.

### Math Words

**Point to and say** the first math word.

**Ask** students to repeat it aloud or silently.

**Read** the sentence containing the word.

**Give** an example using objects or drawings.

**Repeat** for the other math words.

### Starter Problem

Read the Starter Problem. **Call on** a student to restate it in his/her own words.



Think about what the Starter Problem means. 

Try to use what you understand to solve the problem on your own.

I'll walk around and write notes about things we need to discuss.

Look out for pitfalls! 

Look at your work. It's easy to have a pitfall in this type of problem. You might also have made a pitfall if your answer is less than 40%.

Don't worry. Next we'll discuss how two imaginary students solved this problem. One has a pitfall! You may keep your solution private, but bring up your ideas in the discussion.

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**Ask** students to refer to page 2. **Read** the statement marked OK.

**Explain** that this statement is about the same problem students worked on earlier.



We can learn a lot about the math by studying what this student did.

Read each sentence silently and look at Abby's work. Think about what they mean. 

Now talk with a partner about what each sentence and each part of Abby's work means.

**Listen** in, ask questions, and observe. **Note** potential contributions for the discussion.



Who can come up and explain why Abby simplified  $24/60$  and how she got  $2/5$ ?

Why did Abby divide 2 by 5? What does the line separating the numerator and denominator of a fraction mean? Why do you divide 2 by 5 rather than 5 by 2?

Talk to your neighbor about what Abby meant when she said that 40% makes sense because 24 out of 60 is a little less than half of the kids. 

How many kids are half of 60 kids? Explain why 40% makes sense.

**Call on** students to state things to remember about solving problems like this.

**Start** a Things to Remember list on the board.

# Core Lesson Day 1 (continued)

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### Student Thinking, continued

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Read the statement marked Pitfall. Remind students that this is a common pitfall.



Walt made a pitfall when he divided 60 by 24 instead of 24 by 60. Talk with your neighbor about why Walt's answer doesn't make sense. 

Is the percent he wrote too high or too low? Explain.

Write the following examples on the board. Ask students to talk with a neighbor about whether they are true statements or not. Remind them to look out for pitfalls.

$$\frac{15}{20} = 15 \div 20$$

$$\frac{10}{15} = 10 \overline{)15}$$

### Things to Remember

Call on students to add to the Things to Remember list on the board. Read the list.

Help students summarize and record two important Things to Remember.

#### Things to Remember List (sample)

1. To find a percent for a ratio, divide the numerator by the denominator to get a decimal in hundredths. Then write the quotient as a percent.
2. To change a decimal to a percent, move the decimal two places to the right and attach a percent sign. For example,  $0.40 = 40\%$  and  $0.562 = 56.2\%$ .

### Reflection

Ask students to reflect on the discussion process using one of the sample prompts.

#### Reflection Prompts (sample)

- Name a *Discussion Builder* that we used today. How did it help the discussion?
- What *Discussion Builder* could we use next time to make the discussion even better?
- What did someone do or say today that helped you understand the math?

# Core Lesson Day 2

## Review and Practice

### Review

**Ask** students to review page 2 to jog their memory.

**Read** the statement marked OK. **Call on** a student to explain how the problem was solved.

**Read** the statement marked Pitfall. **Call on** a student to explain why it is incorrect.

**Call on** two or three students to read an item on their Things to Remember list.

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**Ask** students to refer to page 3.

**Use** the procedure below and the Clipboard Prompts to discuss students' solutions. **Discuss** the problems one at a time.

**Read** the problem.

**Ask** students to work with a neighbor to solve it.

**Discuss** one or two students' solutions.

**Answer Key**

- 15%
- 160%
- 16.7%

### STUDENT PAGE 3

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After allowing time to work, **read** the answers. **Have** students use pens to mark and revise their papers.

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- 37.5%
- 200%
- 66.7%

### STUDENT PAGE 4

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## Mini Lessons

(2–3 Days Later)

### Assess and Reinforce

#### Multiple Choice Mini Lesson

Distribute Student Page 5.

##### Problem 1



Please read problem 1.

Talk with your neighbor about which choices don't make sense. 

How do you know the correct choice must be greater than 50%

Who can show why the correct choice is 85%?



*Watch for students who incorrectly divide the denominator by the numerator to get a decimal and choose 11.8%.*

##### Problem 2



Read the problem and find the correct choice. 

Which response is correct? Explain why.

Who can show us a way to prove the correct response is 83.3%?

#### STUDENT PAGE 5

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#### Writing Task Mini Lesson

Distribute Student Page 6.

Ask a student to read the task. Call on students to respond with their ideas.

Jot the ideas on the board.

Write an explanation together using their ideas. Read it aloud.

Ask students to write an explanation on their page.

#### STUDENT PAGE 6

##### Writing Task Mini Lesson

Explain how you know  $\frac{21}{24}$  equals 87.5%.

**Sample Explanation:** Divide 24 into 21 and you get the decimal 0.875. Move the decimal to the right two places and write a percent sign. It makes sense because  $\frac{21}{24}$  is getting close to 1 and 87.5% is also fairly close to 100%.



##### Mathematical Discussion Support

Ask students to use drawings or show their calculations to help support their explanations. Have students read numbers such as 0.875 and 87.5% orally and explain what they mean. Prompt them with questions such as "Why does it make sense to get less than 1 for a quotient?"