

Proportion Playground

Comparing Unequal Ratios

Warm Up

- 1) Create at least three fractions that are equivalent to $\frac{3}{4}$

- 2) Alice has \$6 and Bob has \$2. They combine their money to buy a pack of new pencils.
 - a) What is the ratio of Alice's money to Bob's money?
 - b) What fraction of the total money is Alice's?
 - c) What fraction of the total money is Bob's?
 - d) Suppose the pack of pencils contains 80 pencils. How many of the pencils should Alice get, and how many of the pencils should Bob get?

- 3) Are there any other ways to compare Alice's and Bob's money?

Learning Targets

- I can create equivalent ratios.
- I can compare unequal ratios in a real-world context involving concentration levels.

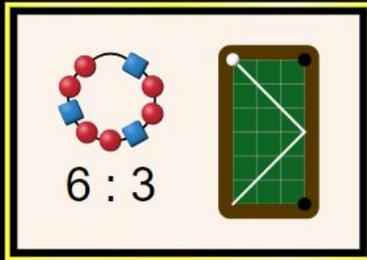
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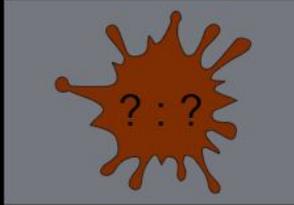
Take 5 minutes to work with the Explore part of the sim.



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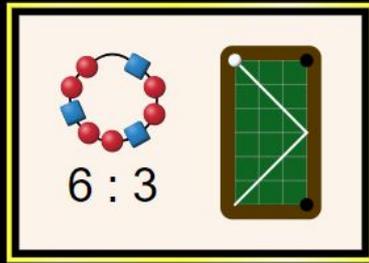
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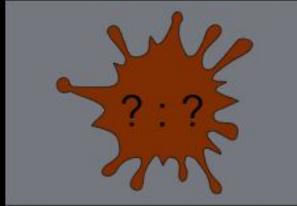
Predict

What do you notice?

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Explore



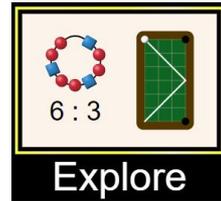
Predict

What do you notice about the paint splats that are the exact same color?

What can you learn from 2 paint splats that you cannot learn from seeing only one splat?

Activity Sheet Instructions:

- Work with a partner.
- Part A: Use the Explore part of the sim
- Part B: Use the Predict part of the sim
- We will come back together as a class after #5.



Strategies Discussion

Mixture A 

Mixture B 

Mixture C 

Mixture D 

Lightest: _____

Darkest: _____

Mixture A



Heather:

Kathy:

Mixture B



3/6 of mixture C is
black paint.

3/9 of mixture C is
black paint

Mixture C



Do you agree with Heather or Kathy?
Justify your answer.

Mixture D



Mixture A



Mixture B



Mixture C



Mixture D



Heather:

$\frac{3}{6}$ of mixture C is black paint.

Heather is using a part to part ratio.

Kathy:

$\frac{3}{9}$ of mixture C is black paint

Kathy is using a part to whole ratio.

Use Kathy's strategy to complete #6 and #7 on the worksheet.

Number of black balloons

Total number of balloons

Big Ideas for your notes

- What strategies did you use to compare unequal ratios?

Exit Ticket

Saline Water Solution A

4 cups of water

1 cup of salt

Saline Water Solution B

7 cups of water

3 cups of salt

Which solution is saltier?

Show work and explain in words to justify your answer.

