




# **Middle School Mathematics Assessments**

## Proportional Reasoning

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## TEKS and TAKS Resources

The mathematics Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) were developed by the state of Texas to clarify what all students should know and be able to do in mathematics in kindergarten through grade 12. Districts are required to provide instruction that is aligned with the mathematics TEKS, which were adopted by the State Board of Education in 1997 and implemented statewide in 1998. The mathematics TEKS also form the objectives and student expectations for the mathematics portion of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) for grades 3 through 10 and for the Grade 11 Exit Level assessment.

The mathematics TEKS can be downloaded in printable format, free of charge, from the Texas Education Agency website ([www.tea.state.tx.us/teks](http://www.tea.state.tx.us/teks)). Bound versions of the mathematics and science TEKS are available for a fee from the Charles A. Dana Center at The University of Texas at Austin ([www.utdanacenter.org](http://www.utdanacenter.org)).

Resources for implementing the mathematics TEKS, including professional development opportunities, are available through the Texas Education Agency and the Charles A. Dana Center, formerly the state-designated Mathematics Center for Educator Development. Online resources can be found in the Mathematics TEKS Toolkit at [www.mathtekstoolkit.org](http://www.mathtekstoolkit.org).

Additional products and services that may be of interest are available from the Dana Center at [www.utdanacenter.org](http://www.utdanacenter.org). These include the following:

- TEKS, TAAS, and TAKS: What's Tested at Grades 3–8? charts
- Mathematics Abridged TEKS charts
- Mathematics TEKS “Big Picture” posters
- *Mathematics Standards in the Classroom; Resources for Grades 3–5*
- *Mathematics Standards in the Classroom; Resources for Grades 6–8*
- *Algebra I Assessments* and the corresponding professional development
- *Geometry Assessments* and the corresponding professional development
- *Algebra II Assessments* and the corresponding professional development
- TEXTEAMS professional development mathematics institutes
- TEKS for Leaders professional development modules for principals and other administrators

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## Introduction

The Dana Center developed *Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning* as a resource for teachers to use to provide ongoing assessment integrated with middle school mathematics instruction.

*Principles and Standards for School Mathematics* (National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, 2000) states: “Assessment should support the learning of important mathematics and furnish useful information to both teachers and students.”<sup>1</sup> Further, NCTM (1995) identified the following six standards to guide classroom assessment:<sup>2</sup>

Standard 1: Assessment should reflect the mathematics that all students need to know and be able to do.

Standard 2: Assessment should enhance mathematics learning.

Standard 3: Assessment should promote equity.

Standard 4: Assessment should be an open process.

Standard 5: Assessment should promote valid inferences about mathematics learning.

Standard 6: Assessment should be a coherent process.

Implementing these assessment standards may require significant changes in how teachers view and use assessment in the mathematics classroom. Teachers should assess frequently to monitor individual performance and guide instruction.

## **What is *Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning*?**

*Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning* contains problems that reflect what all students need to know and be able to do in sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade mathematics. The resource focuses on exploring proportionality through the content and process strands. These assessments may be formative, summative, or ongoing. The problems focus on students’ conceptual understanding as well as their procedural knowledge. The tasks require more than right or wrong answers; they focus on how students are thinking about a situation.

## **Why focus on proportional reasoning?**

The “big idea” of proportionality, including proportional relationships and proportional reasoning, is central to an understanding of middle and high school mathematics, and

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<sup>1</sup> National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. 2000. *Principles and Standards for School Mathematics*. Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

<sup>2</sup> National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. 1995. *Assessment Standards for School Mathematics*. Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

provides a critical foundation for formal algebra study. The concept of proportionality operates as a single thread running through and connecting each of the content and process strands of middle school mathematics.

Proportionality involves recognizing quantities that are related by multiplication. Numbers, tables, graphs, words, and equations are used to think about the quantities and their relationships. Fluency with proportionality develops through problem solving and reasoning in many areas, including ratio and proportion, percent, similarity, scaling, linear equations, slope, and probability.

### **What is the purpose of *Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning*?**

The purpose of these assessments is to make clear to teachers, students, and parents what is being taught and learned about proportionality throughout middle school mathematics. Teachers should use evidence of student insight, student misconceptions, and student problem-solving strategies to guide their instruction. Teachers may also use the questions included with the assessments to guide learning and to assess student understanding. The use of these assessments should help teachers enhance student learning and provide them with a source of evidence on which they may base their instructional decisions.

### **What is the format of *Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning*?**

This book contains 51 problems divided by chapter according to their TEKS strand. The problems address how proportionality can be used to show understanding of the TEKS.

The problems have been divided into six categories:

- Number, Operation, and Quantitative Reasoning
- Patterns, Relationships, and Algebraic Thinking
- Geometry and Spatial Reasoning
- Measurement
- Probability and Statistics
- Underlying Processes and Mathematical Tools

Each problem

- includes a mathematics task,
- is aligned with the Grades 6, 7, and 8 mathematics Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) student expectations,
- is aligned with the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) objectives,
- includes “scaffolding” questions that the teacher may use to help the student to analyze the problem,

- provides a sample solution,\* and
- includes extension questions to bring out additional mathematical concepts in a summative discussion of solutions to the problem.

\*The sample solution is only one way that a problem may be approached and is not necessarily the “best” solution. For many of the problems there are other approaches that will also provide a correct analysis of the problem. The authors have attempted to illustrate a variety of methods in the different problem solutions. Several of the problems include samples of anonymous student work.

Following this introduction are alignments of all the problems to the TEKS and to the grade-level TAKS objectives.

### **What is the solution guide?**

The solution guide is a problem-solving checklist that may be used to understand what is necessary for a complete problem solution. When assigning the problem, the teacher will give the students the solution guide and will indicate which of the criteria should be considered in the problem analysis. In most problems all of the criteria are important, but initially the teacher may want to focus on only two or three criteria. On the page before a student work sample in this book, comments on some of the criteria that are evident from the student’s solution are given. The professional development experience described below will help the teacher use this tool in the classroom and will also help guide the teacher to use other assessment evaluation tools.

### **TEXTEAMS Practice-Based Professional Development—*Middle School Mathematics Assessments: Proportional Reasoning***

The Dana Center has developed a three-day TEXTEAMS institute in which participants experience selected assessments, examine the assessments for alignment with the TEKS and TAKS, analyze student work to evaluate student understanding, consider methods for evaluating student work, view a video of students working on the assessments, develop strategies for classroom implementation, and consider how the assessments support the TAKS. Teachers should contact their local school district or regional service center to determine when this institute is offered.

## Middle School Mathematics Assessment Solution Guide

Name of Student:

Name of Problem:

The teacher will mark the criteria to be considered in the solution of this particular problem	Criteria	Check if solution satisfies this criteria
	Describes mathematical relationships	
	Recognizes and applies proportional relationships	
	Develops and carries out a plan for solving a problem that includes <i>understand the problem</i> , <i>select a strategy</i> , <i>solve the problem</i> , and <i>check</i>	
	Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations	
	Evaluates the reasonableness or significance of the solution in the context of the problem	
	Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills	
	Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them	
	Communicates clear, detailed, and organized solution strategy	
	Uses appropriate terminology, notation, and tools	
	States a clear and accurate solution using correct units	

## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 1</b>						
6	Fun Park Party 6.2C	6.4A, 6.5				6.11A, B, C, D
7	Fun Park Party 7.2F, G	7.3B				7.13A, B, C, D 7.14A
8	Fun Park Saturday 8.2D	8.5A				8.14A, B, C, D 8.15A
6	Homecoming Chili 6.2C, D					6.11A, B, C, D 6.12A
6	Spring Sensations 6.2C, D					6.11A, B, C, D
7	Bargain Shopping 7.2A, B	7.3A				7.13A, B, C, D 7.14A
7	Rose Garden Plan 7.2D, G					7.13A, B, C, D
8	Talk, Talk, Talk 8.1B	8.3A, B 8.4				8.14A, B, C, D 8.15A
8	Half-Life Happening 8.1B, D 8.2B	8.3A				8.14A, B, C, D 8.15A

## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 2</b>						
6	At Home in Space	6.3A, B, C, 6.4A, B				
7	Solar Cells for Science	7.4A, B 7.5A				
8	City in Space	8.3A 8.4 8.5A, B				
6	Community Clean-Up	6.3A, C				
6	Towering Pizzas	6.3A, B, C 6.4A, B 6.5				
7	South Texas Natives	7.3A, B 7.4C				
7	Working Smarter	7.4A, C 7.5B				
8	Fast Food Workout	8.3B 8.4 8.5A, B				
8	Global Warming: Texas-Size	8.3A 8.4 8.5A, B				



## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

	Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 3</b>							
6	By the Sea		6.3A, C	6.7			6.12A
7	By the Sea			7.6 7.7			
8	By the Sea			8.6A, B 8.7			8.9A
6	Sweet Trip to the Candy Shop			6.7			6.12A, B
6	The Round Table		6.3A, C	6.6C			
7	Sorting Rectangles	7.2D	7.3B	7.6D			
7	Mighty Mascot		7.3B	7.6D 7.9			
8	Javier Builds a Model		8.3B 8.5A	8.7B 8.8C			8.14A, C, D 8.15A
8	Student Council President	8.2A	8.3B 8.5A	8.6A	8.9B		

## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 4</b>						
6	Lights at the Marleys' and Farleys' 6.2B	6.3B 6.4A		6.8A, B, D		6.11A, C 6.12A
7	Gardens at the Marleys' and Farleys' 7.2D	7.3A, B	7.6D	7.9		7.13A, B, D 7.14A
8	Storage Boxes at the Marleys' and Farleys' 8.2D	8.3A, B	8.7B	8.8B, C 8.9B 8.10B		8.14A, B, D 8.15A
6	Extravaganza	6.3A, B, C 6.4A		6.8D		
6	Matchmaker			6.8D	6.10D	6.12A 6.13B
7	Bug Juice 7.2B, D	7.3B		7.9		
7	Photographic Memories	7.3B 7.4B	7.6D 7.7A 7.8C	7.9	7.11B	7.13A, C, D 7.14A
8	In the Rafters 8.2D	8.3B	8.6A 8.7B	8.9A,B		
8	Liberty Enlightening the World 8.2D	8.3B	8.7B	8.8C 8.9B 8.10B		

## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 5</b>						
6	Perplexing Polygons	6.3C			6.9A, B	
7	Perplexing Polygons	7.3B			7.10A, B	
8	Perplexing Polygons	8.3B			8.11A, B	
6	Science Quiz				6.10B, D	
7	Big Money Prizes	7.3B			7.12A, B	
8	Five Friends				8.12A, B	

## Mathematics TEKS Alignment

Problem	Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning	Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking	Geometry and spatial reasoning	Measurement	Probability and statistics	Underlying processes and mathematical tools
<b>Chapter 6</b>						
6	What's in Your Wallet? 6.1A 6.2C, D	6.3A, B, C			6.10B, D	6.11A, B, C, D, 6.12A, B 6.13B
7	What's in Your Wallet? 7.2D	7.3B 7.4B	7.7A			7.13A 7.14A 7.15B
8	What's in Your Wallet? 8.1B 8.2C, D	8.3B 8.4 8.5A				8.14A, C, D 8.15A 8.16B
6	Gone Fishin' 6.2C	6.3A, B, C			6.10A, C, D	6.11A, C, D 6.12A, B
6	Secret Recipe	6.3A, B		6.8A, D		6.11B, D 6.12A 6.13A, B
7	Rx 7.2B, D, G	7.3B 7.5B				7.13A, B 7.14A
7	It's a Weighty Matter 7.2B, D	7.3B 7.4A	7.7A			7.13A, D 7.14A 7.15B
8	Java Joe 8.1B 8.2A	8.3B			8.12C 8.13B	8.14D 8.15A
8	How Green Is Green? 8.1B 8.2A, B, D	8.3B 8.4 8.5A		8.8C		8.14A, B, C, D 8.15A 8.16B

### Mathematics Grade 6 TAKS Alignment

This chart shows the problems that have been aligned to the Grade 6 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

Problem Name	Grade 6 TAKS Objective					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
At Home in Space		X				
By the Sea			X			
Community Clean-Up		X				
Extravaganza		X		X		
Fun Park Party	X					X
Gone Fishin'						X
Homecoming Chili	X					X
Lights at the Marleys' and Farleys'		X		X	X	
Matchmaker	X	X		X		
Perplexing Polygons					X	
The Round Table			X			
Science Quiz					X	
Secret Recipe						X
Spring Sensations	X					X
Sweet Trip to the Candy Shop			X			
Towering Pizzas	X	X	X		X	
What's in Your Wallet?						X

### Mathematics Grade 7 TAKS Alignment

This chart shows the problems that have been aligned to the Grade 7 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

Problem Name	Grade 7 TAKS Objective					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Bargain Shopping	X					X
Big Money Prize					X	
Bug Juice	X	X		X		
By the Sea			X			
Fun Park Party	X	X				X
Gardens at the Marleys' and Farleys'		X	X	X		
It's a Weighty Matter						X
Mighty Mascot			X			
Perplexing Polygons					X	
Photographic Memories		X	X	X	X	
Rose Garden Plan	X					X
Rx						X
Solar Cells for Science		X				
Sorting Rectangles			X			
South Texas Natives		X				
What's in Your Wallet?						X
Working Smarter		X				

### Mathematics Grade 8 TAKS Alignment

This chart shows the problems that have been aligned to the Grade 8 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

Problem Name	Grade 8 TAKS Objective					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
By the Sea			X			
City in Space		X				
Fast Food Workout		X				
Five Friends					X	
Fun Park Saturday	X	X				X
Global Warming: Texas-Size		X				
Half-Life Happening	X	X				X
How Green is Green?						X
In the Rafters		X	X	X		
Java Joe						X
Javier Builds a Model			X			
Liberty Enlightening the World	X	X	X	X		
Perplexing Polygons					X	
Storage Boxes at the Marleys' and Farleys'	X	X	X	X		
Student Council President			X			
Talk, Talk, Talk	X	X				X
What's in Your Wallet?						X

## **Chapter 1:**

*Number, Operation, and  
Quantitative Reasoning*





# Fun Park Party

## grade 6

OVERARCHING  
FUN PARK

Dawn and seven of her friends are going to Fun Park for her birthday party. She has purchased three Fun Park coupon books with 24 coupons in each book.

<b>Fun Park Prices</b>	
Coupon book with 24 coupons	\$18.00
Individual coupon	\$ 1.00
<b>Games, Rides, Food, and Beverages</b>	
Miniature golf game	3 coupons
Go-cart ride	4 coupons
Video game	1 coupon
Laser tag game	6 coupons
Soft drink	1 coupon
Popcorn	1 coupon
Hotdog	2 coupons
Nachos	2 coupons

Birthday parties are limited to one activity for the group. Any choice of food or drink can be made.

1. If Dawn chooses miniature golf and no food or drink, how many games of miniature golf can each of them play if they all play the same number of games? Explain your answer.
2. If Dawn chooses miniature golf, 1 soft drink for each person, and no food, how many games of miniature golf can each of them play if they all play the same number of games? How did you determine this?
3. If Dawn chooses miniature golf, 1 soft drink for each person, and 1 hot dog for each person, how many games of golf can each of them play if they all play the same number of games? Explain your reasoning.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) use multiplication and division of whole numbers to solve problems including situations involving equivalent ratios and rates

(6.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters as variables in mathematical expressions to describe how one quantity changes when a related quantity changes. The student is expected to:

(A) use tables and symbols to represent and describe proportional and other relationships involving conversions, sequences, perimeter, area, etc.

(6.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters to represent an unknown in an equation. The student is expected to formulate an equation from a problem situation.

### Scaffolding Questions

- How many coupons will it take for everyone at the party to play one game of miniature golf?
- How many games of golf can be played by everyone at the party with one book of coupons? Two books of coupons? Three books of coupons?
- What is the relationship between the number of coupons and the number of games of golf?
- How can you determine how many coupons will be left for miniature golf after everyone has a soft drink?
- How can you find the number of coupons that will be left for miniature golf after everyone has a soft drink and hot dog?

### Sample Solutions

1. Dawn has a total of 24 coupons in each book and she has 3 books of coupons ( $24 \times 3 = 72$ ). Therefore, she has a total of 72 coupons. A table may be created to show the number of coupons.

Number of books	Number of coupons
1	24
2	48
3	72

There are 72 coupons and 1 miniature golf game takes 3 coupons.

$$72 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{3 \text{ coupons}} = 24 \text{ games}$$

$$\frac{24 \text{ games}}{8 \text{ people}} = \frac{3 \text{ games}}{1 \text{ person}}$$

Therefore, the total number of games of miniature golf each of the people at the party can play is 3 games.

2. One game of miniature golf takes 3 coupons. One game of miniature golf for everyone at the party takes 24 coupons.

$$3 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{game}} \times 1 \frac{\text{game}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 24 \text{ coupons}$$

One soft drink takes 1 coupon; therefore, 1 soft drink for every person at the party takes 8 coupons.

$$1 \frac{\text{coupon}}{\text{drink}} \times 1 \frac{\text{drink}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 8 \text{ coupons}$$

Total coupons needed for 1 golf game and 1 soft drink for everyone at the party is 32.

$$24 \text{ coupons for golf} + 8 \text{ coupons for drinks} = 32 \text{ total coupons}$$

Two games of miniature golf for everyone at the party take 48 coupons.

$$3 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{game}} \times 2 \frac{\text{games}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 48 \text{ coupons}$$

One soft drink takes 1 coupon; therefore, 1 soft drink for every person at the party takes 8 coupons.

$$1 \frac{\text{coupon}}{\text{drink}} \times 1 \frac{\text{drink}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 8 \text{ coupons}$$

Total coupons needed for 2 golf games and 1 soft drink for everyone at the party is 56.

$$48 \text{ coupons for golf} + 8 \text{ coupons for drinks} = 56 \text{ total coupons}$$

Three games of miniature golf for everyone at the party take 72 coupons.

$$3 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{game}} \times 3 \frac{\text{games}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 72 \text{ coupons}$$

There would not be enough coupons for 3 games of golf and a soft drink. If they each get a soft drink, they could play only 2 games of miniature golf each.

The following table can be used to organize and display the different options.

Number of games per person	Total coupons needed for golf	Total coupons needed for drinks	Total coupons needed for golf and drinks
1	24	8	32
2	48	8	56
3	72	8	80

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

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(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology

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3. One game of miniature golf for everyone at the party takes 24 coupons

$$3 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{game}} \times 1 \frac{\text{game}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 24 \text{ coupons}$$

One soft drink takes 1 coupon; therefore, 1 soft drink for every person at the party takes 8 coupons.

$$1 \frac{\text{coupon}}{\text{drink}} \times 1 \frac{\text{drink}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 8 \text{ coupons}$$

One hot dog for each person takes 2 coupons. One hot dog for everyone at the party takes 16 coupons.

$$2 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{hot dog}} \times 2 \frac{\text{hot dogs}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 16 \text{ coupons}$$

Total coupons needed for 1 golf game, 1 soft drink, and 1 hot dog for everyone at the party is 48.

$$24 \text{ coupons for golf} + 8 \text{ coupons for soft drinks} + 16 \text{ coupons for hot dogs} = 48 \text{ total coupons}$$

Two games of miniature golf for everyone at the party takes 48 coupons.

$$3 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{game}} \times 2 \frac{\text{games}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 48 \text{ coupons}$$

One soft drink takes 1 coupon; therefore, 1 soft drink for every person at the party takes 8 coupons.

$$1 \frac{\text{coupon}}{\text{drink}} \times 8 \text{ drinks} = 8 \text{ coupons}$$

One hot dog for each person takes 2 coupons. One hot dog for everyone at the party takes 16 coupons.

$$2 \frac{\text{coupons}}{\text{hot dog}} \times 1 \frac{\text{hot dog}}{\text{person}} \times 8 \text{ people} = 16 \text{ coupons}$$

Total coupons needed for 2 golf games, 1 soft drink, and 1 hot dog for everyone at the party is 72.

$$48 \text{ coupons for golf} + 8 \text{ coupons for soft drinks} + 16 \text{ coupons for hot dogs} = 72 \text{ total coupons}$$

A table can be created to organize the number of coupons needed for each option.

Number of golf games per person	Total coupons needed for golf	Total coupons needed for soft drinks	Total coupons needed for hotdogs	Total golf coupons + total soft drink coupons + total hotdog coupons
1	24	8	16	48
2	48	8	16	72

### Extension Questions

- If each person at Dawn's party is limited to 1 game or ride and Dawn has 3 coupon books, which games or rides are possible choices and how many times can each person at the party participate in the game or ride? Explain how to find all the possible choices.

*She has 72 coupons. Possible choices are miniature golf game, go-cart ride, video game, and laser tag game. Miniature golf was considered in the problem.*

*Go-cart rides require 4 coupons. Each person could have 2 rides.*

$$72 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{4 \text{ coupons}} = 18 \text{ games}$$

$$\frac{18 \text{ games}}{8 \text{ people}} = \frac{2.25 \text{ games}}{1 \text{ person}}$$

*Video games take 1 coupon. If she chooses video games, each person can play 9 games.*

$$72 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{1 \text{ coupon}} = 72 \text{ games}$$

$$\frac{72 \text{ games}}{8 \text{ people}} = \frac{9 \text{ games}}{1 \text{ person}}$$

Laser tag requires 6 coupons. If she chooses laser tag, each person can play 1 game.

$$72 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{6 \text{ coupons}} = 12 \text{ games}$$

$$\frac{12 \text{ games}}{8 \text{ people}} = \frac{1.5 \text{ games}}{1 \text{ person}}$$

- Would it cost less for Dawn to purchase coupon books or individual coupons for each possible choice of games or rides for her party? What is the best decision for each of the possible choices? Justify your answers.

Three games of miniature golf for each person would be a total of 72 coupons. Since individual coupons cost \$1 each, the cost of 72 coupons is \$72. One book of coupons sells for \$18 and contains 24 coupons.

$$72 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ book}}{24 \text{ coupons}} \times \frac{\$18}{1 \text{ book}} = \$54$$

It would be cheaper to buy 3 coupon books.

Two go-cart rides for each person would be a total of 64 coupons: \$54 for 3 coupon books is cheaper than \$64 for individual coupon books.

$$8 \text{ people} \times \frac{2 \text{ rides}}{1 \text{ person}} \times \frac{4 \text{ coupons}}{1 \text{ ride}} \times \frac{\$1}{1 \text{ coupon}} = \$64$$

For 9 video games for each person, it would be much cheaper to buy 3 coupon books for the 72 coupons needed instead of spending \$72 for individual coupons.

$$8 \text{ people} \times \frac{9 \text{ video games}}{1 \text{ person}} \times \frac{1 \text{ coupon}}{1 \text{ video game}} \times \frac{\$1}{1 \text{ coupon}} = \$72$$

For 1 game of laser tag for each person, the total number of coupons needed would be 48.

$$8 \text{ people} \times \frac{1 \text{ laser tag game}}{1 \text{ person}} \times \frac{6 \text{ coupons}}{1 \text{ laser tag game}} \times \frac{\$1}{1 \text{ coupon}} = \$48$$

Two coupon books would cost 2(\$18) or \$36, and 48 individual coupons would cost \$48. It would be cheaper to buy 2 coupon books.

## Student work sample

This student's work shows an understanding of the relationships between coupons, books, and coupons needed for activities.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Describes mathematical relationships
- Evaluates the reasonableness or significance of the solution in the context of the problem
- Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them
- States a clear and accurate solution using correct units



- ① 8 friends & 24 coupons in a book  
 3 people = 3 coupons each for mini-golf

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

24 coupons needed for one game

they can only play one game each.  
 per book.

She has 3 books so they can play  
 three games each.

# of books	# of coupons	# of games
1	24	1
2	48	2
3	72	3

- ② 72 coupons & 4 coupons for mini-golf and drink  
 - 3 coupons <sup>just</sup> for drinks

64 left

1 round = 24 coupons for mini-golf

64

~~24~~ ← 1 round each

40

~~24~~ ← 1 more round each

16

~~12~~

4

~~10~~

5 ← ~~needed~~ needed for 2 rounds of mini-golf and one soda each

16 coupons left

72 coupons - 8 drinks coupons = 64 left

$\begin{array}{r} 54 \\ 24 \\ \hline 16 \\ \hline 48 \end{array}$  coupons - 16 hot dog coupons = 48 left

48 coupons - 24 coupons = 24 left  
(2 rounds each of golf)

With 24 left you can play one more round of golf

Each person can get 1 drink, 1 hot dog, and 2 rounds of golf with the coupons.



## Fun Park Party grade 7

Dawn is taking several of her friends to Fun Park for her birthday party. She has decided that each person at her party will play 1 game of laser tag and 3 video games and will ride the go-carts 2 times.

<b>Fun Park Prices</b>	
Coupon book with 24 coupons	\$18.00
Individual coupon	\$ 1.00
<b>Games, Rides, Food, and Beverages</b>	
Miniature golf game	3 coupons
Go-cart ride	4 coupons
Video game	1 coupon
Laser tag game	6 coupons
Soft drink	1 coupon
Popcorn	1 coupon
Hotdog	2 coupons
Nachos	2 coupons

Thirty coupons were collected at the video arcade from people at Dawn's party.

1. How many friends were at Dawn's party? Explain your answer.
2. How many total coupons were collected at the laser tag stand and the go-cart rides? How did you determine this?
3. How should Dawn purchase the coupons for her party? Should she purchase only coupon books or a combination of coupon books and individual coupons? Justify your reasoning.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(F) select and use appropriate operations to solve problems and justify the selections

(G) determine the reasonableness of a solution to a problem

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in

### Scaffolding Questions

- How many coupons does it take to play one game in the video arcade? Three games?
- How can you find the number of people at Dawn's party?
- How can you determine the number of coupons needed for everyone at the party to ride the go-carts 2 times? To play laser tag 1 time?
- How many total coupons will it take for everyone at the party to play 3 video games and 1 game of laser tag and to ride the go-carts 2 times? Explain.
- What is the least number of coupon books Dawn should purchase for her party?
- What is the greatest number of coupon books Dawn should purchase? Will that give her any coupons left over?
- What are some purchase options for the combination of coupon books and individual coupons?
- How can you determine if you have explored all possible options?
- How can you decide which purchase option is best for Dawn?

### Sample Solutions

1. The video arcade attendant collected 30 coupons from people at Dawn's party. Each video game takes 1 coupon; therefore, there were 30 games played.

$$30 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{1 \text{ coupon}} = 30 \text{ games}$$

Dawn bought enough coupons for each person at her party to play 3 video games.

$$30 \text{ games} \times \frac{1 \text{ person}}{3 \text{ games}} = 10 \text{ people}$$

There were 10 people at Dawn's party (Dawn and 9 friends).

2. There were 10 people at Dawn's party. Dawn purchased 1 game of laser tag per person. Each laser tag game takes 6 coupons; therefore, there were 60 coupons for laser tag.

$$10 \text{ people} \times \frac{1 \text{ game}}{1 \text{ person}} \times \frac{6 \text{ coupons}}{1 \text{ game}} = 60 \text{ coupons}$$

There were 60 coupons collected at the laser tag stand.

There were 10 people at Dawn's party. Dawn purchased 2 go-cart rides per person. Each go-cart ride takes 4 coupons; therefore, there were 80 coupons for laser tag.

$$10 \text{ people} \times \frac{2 \text{ rides}}{1 \text{ person}} \times \frac{4 \text{ coupons}}{1 \text{ ride}} = 80 \text{ coupons}$$

There were 80 coupons collected at the go-cart ride.

There were 60 coupons collected at the laser tag stand.  
There were 80 coupons collected at the go-cart ride.  
Therefore, there were a total of 140 coupons collected at the laser tag stand and the go-cart ride.

$$60 \text{ coupons at the laser tag stand} + 80 \text{ coupons at the go-cart ride} = 140 \text{ total coupons}$$

3. Dawn needed 30 coupons for video games, 60 coupons for laser tag, and 80 coupons for the go-carts. She had to purchase a total of 170 coupons for her party.

$$30 \text{ video coupons} + 60 \text{ laser tag coupons} + 80 \text{ go-cart coupons} = 170 \text{ total coupons}$$

Each coupon book contains 24 coupons; therefore, Dawn needs to purchase 8 coupon books. There are not enough coupons in 7 books.

$$170 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ book}}{24 \text{ coupons}} = 7.08 \text{ books}$$

However, if she does that, she will have 22 coupons left in one book.

$$\begin{aligned} 8(24) &= 192 \text{ coupons} \\ 192 - 170 &= 22 \end{aligned}$$

and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

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If she purchases only 7 coupon books, she will only have 168 coupons.

Number of coupon books	Total number of coupons	Total cost of books
1	24	\$18
2	48	\$36
3	72	\$54
4	96	\$72
5	120	\$90
6	144	\$108
7	168	\$126
8	192	\$144

Eight coupon books cost \$144. Seven coupon books cost \$126. She can purchase 2 more coupons for \$2. The cost of 7 coupon books and 2 individual coupons is \$128. She should purchase 7 coupon books and 2 individual coupons to get the best price.

### Extension Questions

- What percentage of the total coupons purchased were for the video games? For the go-cart rides? For the laser tag games? Explain.

*Dawn purchased a total of 170 coupons. She purchased 30 coupons for video games (about 18%), 60 coupons for laser tag (about 35%), and 80 coupons for the go-carts (about 47%).*

$$\frac{30}{170} \approx 0.176 \approx 18\%$$

$$\frac{60}{170} \approx 0.353 \approx 35\%$$

$$\frac{80}{170} \approx 0.471 \approx 47\%$$

- Suppose a total of 88 coupons had been collected by both the video arcade and go-cart attendants. How can you find the number of people in Dawn's party (Dawn and friends)? Assume each person played the same number of each type of game.

*Combine the number of coupons needed for both activities.*

$$3 \text{ for video} + 8 \text{ for go-carts} = 11 \text{ coupons}$$

*If 88 coupons were collected then there were only 8 people at the party.*

$$88 \text{ coupons} \times \frac{1 \text{ person}}{11 \text{ coupons}} = 8 \text{ people}$$

## Fun Park Saturday grade 8

Dawn and her three sisters, Delia, Lisa, and Leslie, have made plans to go to Fun Park on Saturday. They have decided that each of them will choose what games and rides they will participate in. Everyone will purchase 2 soft drinks, 1 hot dog, and a bag of popcorn because they will be there for at least 6 hours.

<b>Fun Park Prices</b>	
Coupon book with 24 coupons	\$18.00
Individual coupon	\$ 1.00
<b>Games, Rides, Food, and Beverages</b>	
Miniature golf game	3 coupons
Go-cart ride	4 coupons
Video game	1 coupon
Laser tag game	6 coupons
Soft drink	1 coupon
Popcorn	1 coupon
Hotdog	2 coupons
Nachos	2 coupons

Dawn and Lisa have decided they will each play 2 games of miniature golf, ride the go-carts 3 times, play 5 video games each, and play 2 games of laser tag. Delia has decided to play 3 games of miniature golf, ride the go-carts 2 times, play 2 video games, and play 3 games of laser tag. Leslie has decided to play 2 games of miniature golf, ride the go-carts 4 times, play 8 video games, and play 2 games of laser tag.

Each of the girls is going to purchase her own coupons. Dawn and Lisa have decided to purchase 2 coupon books each. Delia has decided to purchase only individual coupons. Leslie has decided to purchase 1 coupon book and individual coupons.

1. What is the cost of the coupons for each of the girls? Explain your answer.
2. Is there a better coupon purchase choice for any of the girls? Justify your answer.



## Materials

Graphing calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS:

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  $a = 1.4h$

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How many coupons will each girl need for the day?
- What is the cost of one coupon book? One individual coupon?
- How can you find the total cost of the coupon books and individual coupons for Dawn? Lisa? Delia? Leslie?
- How could you determine the lowest cost for the number of coupons each girl is purchasing?

### Sample Solutions

1. Each girl must determine the total coupons needed for her rides and games. Everyone needs the same number of tickets for soft drinks, popcorn, and hot dogs.

	Drink, popcorn, and hot dog coupons needed	Golf game coupons needed	Go-cart ride coupons needed	Video game coupons needed	Laser tag game coupons needed	Total coupons needed
Dawn	$1(2)+1+2=5$	$3(2)=6$	$4(3)=12$	$1(5)=5$	$6(2)=12$	40
Lisa	$1(2)+1+2=5$	$3(2)=6$	$4(3)=12$	$1(5)=5$	$6(2)=12$	40
Delia	$1(2)+1+2=5$	$3(3)=9$	$4(2)=8$	$1(2)=2$	$6(3)=18$	42
Leslie	$1(2)+1+2=5$	$3(2)=6$	$4(4)=16$	$1(8)=8$	$6(2)=12$	47

Find the total cost of the coupon choices each girl has made.

The total cost  $c$  equals the number of books  $b$  multiplied by the cost of each book (\$18) for Dawn and Lisa.

$$c = 18b$$

$$c = 18(2)$$

$$c = 36$$

The total cost of the coupon purchase choice for Dawn and Lisa is \$36.

For Delia, the total cost  $c$  equals the cost of each individual coupon (\$1) multiplied by the number of individual coupons  $i$ .

$$\begin{aligned}c &= 1i \\c &= 1(42) \\c &= 42\end{aligned}$$

The total cost for Delia's individual coupons is \$42.

For Leslie, the total cost equals the cost of the 1 book she is purchasing plus the cost of individual coupons multiplied by the number of individual coupons she is purchasing. Leslie needs 47 coupons. One book takes care of 24 coupons.

$$47 - 24 = 23$$

So, Leslie is going to purchase 1 book and 23 additional coupons.

$$\begin{aligned}c &= (\$18 \times 1) + (\$1 \times 23) \\c &= \$18 + \$23 \\c &= \$41\end{aligned}$$

The total cost for Leslie's coupons is \$41.

2. The table shows that Dawn and Lisa needed 40 coupons. If they buy 2 coupon books with 24 coupons in each book they will have  $2(24)$  or 48 coupons. They will each have  $48 - 40$  or 8 coupons left at the end of the day. They could each purchase 1 book to take care of 24 coupons and buy an additional 16 individual coupons. The following equation can be solved to find the cost  $c$  of 1 coupon book and 16 individual coupons.

$$\begin{aligned}c &= (\$18 \times 1) + (\$1 \times 16) \\c &= \$18 + \$16 \\c &= \$34\end{aligned}$$

Buying 2 books costs them  $\$18(2)$  or \$36 each. Buying 1 book and 16 tickets would cost them \$34 each. The latter option would be a better choice, resulting in a savings of \$2 each.

If she buys individual coupons, Delia will not have any coupons left at the end of the day. She needs 42

everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

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coupons. She could have purchased 1 coupon book to take care of 24 coupons. She would need  $42 - 24$ , or an additional 18 individual coupons.

$$\begin{aligned}c &= (\$18 \times 1) + (\$1 \times 18) \\c &= \$18 + \$18 \\c &= \$36\end{aligned}$$

Delia's original choice to purchase only individual coupons cost her \$42. Buying one book and 18 additional coupons would only cost her \$36. The better choice is the second option.

Leslie will not have any coupons left at the end of the day. She needed 47 coupons. She could have purchased 2 coupon books that would have given her 48 coupons with one coupon left over at the end of the day.

$$\begin{aligned}c &= 2(\$18) \\c &= \$36\end{aligned}$$

Leslie's original choice to purchase one coupon book and 23 additional coupons cost her \$41. Buying two books would only cost \$36 and would leave her with one coupon left at the end of the day. The second option is the better choice.

### Extension Questions

- Would it be a good idea for some of the girls to consider purchasing coupon books together to save money? Which girls should purchase together? How many books and individual tickets should they purchase? Explain your answers.

*Leslie could purchase with Delia. They would need 42 plus 47, or 89 coupons. Three coupon books would give  $3(24)$ , or 72 coupons. They would each get 36 coupons and need 17 more coupons. Delia would need to buy 6 more coupons for \$6 and Leslie would need to buy 11 more coupons for \$11.*

*The cost of 3 coupon books is \$18 (3) or \$54. Dividing this cost by 2, each girl would pay \$27.*

*Delia's cost:  $\$27 + \$6 = \$33$ .*

*Leslie's cost:  $\$27 + \$11 = \$38$ .*

*Delia is saving  $\$42 - \$33$ , or  $\$9$ .*

*Leslie is saving  $\$41 - \$38$ , or  $\$3$ .*

*Even though Leslie is paying more than Delia, she is still saving  $\$3$  and Delia is saving  $\$9$ .*

*Dawn and Leslie together need 80 coupons. Three coupon books would give 72 coupons. Dawn could purchase with Lisa and split the cost equally for 3 coupon books and 8 individual coupons. Three coupon books cost  $\$54$ . The individual coupons would cost  $\$8$ . The total cost would be  $\$54$  plus  $\$8$ , or  $\$62$ . That would cost them  $\$31$  each instead of  $\$36$  each.*

- If Dawn has only  $\$38$  to spend, what are some of the possible activities and food choices she could make? What would be the best coupon purchase for each of the possible activity combinations?

*We have shown that the cost of 2 coupon books is  $\$36$ . Delia has enough money to buy 2 coupon books plus 2 more coupons. Two coupon books will give 48 coupons plus 2 more coupons. She could buy 50 coupons. The cost of one coupon book with 24 coupons is  $\$18$ . Following is a chart of possible combinations Dawn could choose.*

Food and drink coupons	Golf games/ coupons	Go-cart rides/ coupons	Video game/ coupons	Laser tag/ coupons	Total coupons needed	Best coupon purchase
6	2/6	2/8	2/2	2/12	34	1 book and 10 coupons
6	3/9	2/8	7/7	3/18	8	2 books
6	3/9	3/12	2/2	2/12	41	1 book and 17 coupons
6	2/6	3/12	3/3	3/18	45	2 books
6	4/12	3/12	2/2	3/18	50	2 books and 2 coupons

*The last column shows the best coupon purchase for the combinations. For example:*

*41 coupons purchased as one book (24 coupons) plus 17 coupons would cost \$18 + \$17, or \$35. That is cheaper than purchasing 2 books.*

*45 coupons purchased as one book (24 coupons) plus 21 coupons would cost \$18 + \$21 or \$39. It would be cheaper to buy 2 coupon books at \$36.*

## Homecoming Chili

### grade 6

Alicia's favorite chili recipe calls for 3 pounds of ground beef. The recipe serves 8 people. Alicia bought a package of ground beef that weighs 11.5 pounds to make a large batch of chili for the annual Homecoming Chili Dinner at the local high school.

What is the best estimate of the number of people her chili will serve if she follows the recipe? Explain your reasoning.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) use multiplication and division of whole numbers to solve problems including situations involving equivalent ratios and rates

(D) estimate and round to approximate reasonable results and to solve problems where exact answers are not required

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

### Scaffolding Questions

- If one recipe serves 8 people, how many people will a double recipe serve? A triple recipe? A quadruple recipe?
- How can you determine the amount of ground beef needed for a double recipe? A triple recipe? A quadruple recipe?
- How many pounds of ground beef does it take for each serving? How can you determine this?
- How can you find the number of servings for 11.5 pounds of ground beef?

### Sample Solutions

Alicia has 11.5 pounds of ground beef. One recipe needs 3 pounds of ground beef. Two recipes need 6 pounds of ground beef. Three recipes need 9 pounds of ground beef. Alicia doesn't have enough ground beef to make 4 complete recipes because she would need a total of 12 pounds of ground beef and she has only 11.5 pounds.

Number of recipes	Process	Pounds of beef
1	$1 \times 3$	3
2	$2 \times 3$	6
3	$3 \times 3$	9
4	$4 \times 3$	12

Three pounds of ground beef makes 1 recipe and serves 8 people. Six pounds of ground beef makes 2 recipes and serves 16 people. Nine pounds of ground beef makes 3 recipes and serves 24 people. Twelve pounds of ground beef makes 4 recipes and serves 32 people.

Number of recipes	Process	Number of servings
1	$1 \times 8$	8
2	$2 \times 8$	16
3	$3 \times 8$	24
4	$4 \times 8$	32

A recipe with 3 pounds of ground beef will serve 8 people. A little less than 4 whole recipes with 11.5 pounds of meat will serve about 30 people.

Another way to look at it is to use rates.

$$11.5 \text{ pounds} \times \frac{1 \text{ recipe}}{3 \text{ pounds}} = 3.8 \text{ recipes}$$

$$3.8 \text{ recipes} \times \frac{8 \text{ servings}}{1 \text{ recipe}} = 30.4 \text{ servings}$$

### Extension Questions

- The school principal calls Alicia to let her know that they have sold tickets for 20 more people than they projected. They will need another 20 servings of chili. Alicia agrees to make more chili for the additional 20 servings. How much more ground beef will she need to buy?

*The recipe says that 3 pounds serves 8 people. She needs 20 more servings.*

$$\frac{3 \text{ pounds}}{8 \text{ servings}} \times 20 \text{ servings} = 7.5 \text{ pounds}$$

*She will need 7.5 more pounds of hamburger.*

- Alicia decides to make enough chili for 75 servings instead of the original 30 servings she planned to make. She wants to make sure there is enough chili if more people who have not bought tickets show up the night of the Homecoming Chili Dinner. How much more ground beef will she need to buy?

*It takes 3 pounds to serve 8 people. Alicia needs to buy enough ground beef to serve an additional 45 people.*

$$\frac{3 \text{ pounds}}{8 \text{ servings}} \times 45 \text{ servings} \approx 16.87 \text{ pounds}$$

*She has 11.5 pounds of ground beef, so she needs to buy an additional 16.87 pounds of ground beef to serve 75 people.*

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of numbers, operations, and quantitative reasoning.

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical processes and tools used in problem solving.





## Spring Sensations grade 6

The first performance of the Maxwell Middle School Spring Sensations will be next Friday in the new school auditorium. The performance is sold out. The auditorium has 840 seats, and each section in the auditorium seats 60 people. The Maxwell Student Council members have volunteered to usher for the performance. There are 24 members in the Student Council. The Student Council will invite other students to usher so that there will be at least two ushers in each section.

1. How many ushers will be needed other than the 24 Student Council members? Explain your reasoning.
2. About how many people will each Student Council member seat? How did you determine this?

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) use multiplication and division of whole numbers to solve problems including situations involving equivalent ratios and rates

(D) estimate and round to approximate reasonable results and to solve problems where exact answers are not required

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

### Scaffolding Questions

- If all of the 840 seats are occupied, how many sections are full?
- If 2 ushers are needed for each section, how can you find the total number of ushers needed?
- If 24 Student Council members will usher, how many more ushers are needed so there will be at least 2 ushers in each section?
- If there are 60 seats in each section, how can you determine the number of people each of the ushers will seat?

### Sample Solutions

1. There are 840 seats in the auditorium and 60 seats in each section. Divide the total number of seats by the number of seats in each section to find the number of sections in the auditorium.

$$840 \div 60 = 14$$

There are 14 sections.

Another solution strategy would be to build a table and look for a pattern.

Number of sections	Process	Number of seats
1	60(1)	60
2	60(2)	120
3	60(3)	180
4	60(4)	240
5	60(5)	300
10	60(10)	600
15	60(15)	900

Fifteen sections are 60 seats too many, so there are 14 sections in the auditorium.

$$60(14) = 840$$

There are 14 sections in the auditorium. At least 2 ushers are needed for each section. Multiply the number of sections by the number of ushers for each section to find the total number of ushers needed.

$$14 \text{ sections} \times \frac{2 \text{ ushers}}{1 \text{ section}} = 28 \text{ ushers}$$

Another strategy would be to build a table and look for a pattern.

Number of sections	Process	Number of ushers
1	2(1)	2
2	2(2)	4
3	2(3)	6
14	2(14)	28

There are 28 ushers needed. The Student Council has only 24 members; therefore, they need at least 4 more students to help usher if they are to have at least 2 ushers in each section.

- Each section seats 60 people. There are at least 2 ushers in each section. Divide the number of seats by the number of ushers to find about how many people each usher will seat.

$$60 \div 2 = 30$$

If the Student Council finds more students to help usher, then the approximate number of people each usher will seat will be less than 30. If there are 3 ushers in each section, they will seat about 20 people each. If there are 4 ushers in each section, they will seat about 15 people each. If there are 5 ushers in each section, they will seat about 12 people each.

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of numbers, operations, and quantitative reasoning.

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical processes and tools used in problem solving.

number of seats	number of ushers	number of people each usher seats
60	2	30
60	3	20
60	4	15
60	5	12

### Extension Questions

- If the same students usher for 7 performances, about how many people will each of them have seated after the seventh performance?

*If there are 2 ushers in each section and they seat 30 people each performance, they will seat about 210 people each after the seventh performance. If there are 3 ushers and they seat 20 people each performance, they will seat about 140 each. If there are 4 ushers and they seat 15 people each performance, they will seat about 105 each. If there are 5 ushers who seat 12 people each performance, they will seat about 84 each after the seventh performance.*

- There is a virus going around the school. Only 20 ushers show up for the last performance on Saturday night. How many sections would not have two ushers?

*They need 28 ushers to place 2 ushers at each station. They will have  $28 - 20$ , or 8 sections without ushers.*

- Describe some possible ways the ushers could be assigned and about how many people each usher would seat.

*If there are 14 sections and one person assigned to each section, there would be 6 people left. There could be 2 ushers in 6 sections and they would seat about 30 people each, and the ushers by themselves in 8 sections would seat about 60 people each. If they decide to just share all the sections, then each usher would seat approximately  $840$  divided by  $20$ , or 40 people each section.*

## Bargain Shopping grade 7

The regular price of a rack of swimsuits in the junior department of a clothing store is \$54. The store advertises an end-of-season sale at 40% off the regular price of all swimsuits. Two weeks later the store advertises a summer clearance sale at an additional  $\frac{1}{5}$  off the end-of-season sale price of all swimsuits. Shannon and Mary are on the swim team and swim all year long. They see the clearance sale advertisements and decide this is a great time to shop for bargain swimsuits. Shannon figures that the swimsuits are now 60% off the regular price. Mary disagrees because she figures that the total discount is actually less than 60%.

1. What is the cost of the swimsuits during the end-of-season sale? Justify your reasoning using a model.
2. What is the cost of the swimsuits during the additional  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale? How can you show this with a model?
3. Who has figured the discount correctly, Shannon or Mary? Explain your answer using a model.

## Materials

Graphing calculator

Chart paper

Markers

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(A) represent multiplication and division situations involving fractions and decimals with concrete models, pictures, words, and numbers

(B) use addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division to solve problems involving fractions and decimals

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percent

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you model this problem with a percent bar? What price would the whole percent bar represent?
- What percent benchmarks could you use for this model?
- How does your percent bar show the discount of the swimsuits at the end-of-season sale? The sale price?
- How can you find the cost of the swimsuits at the end-of-season sale if you know what the amount of the discount is?
- How can you use a model to find the price during the additional  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale? What price does the whole model represent?
- How can you use a percent bar as a model to decide if the final cost during the additional  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale is equal to or less than 60%? What is the total amount represented by the percent bar in this model?

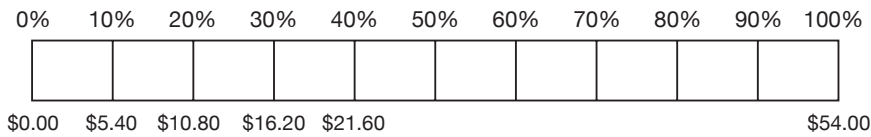
### Sample Solutions

1. Make a percent bar to model the cost of the swimsuits during the end-of-season sale. The whole bar will represent the original cost of the swimsuits (\$54). Benchmarks of 10% and multiples of 10% can be used to find the amount of discount in dollars for 40% off the regular price.

$$10\% \text{ of } \$54 = \$5.40$$

$$4 \times 10\% \text{ or } 40\% \text{ discount} = 4 \times \$5.40 \text{ or } \$21.60$$

As the percentage increases, the dollar amount of the discount also increases proportionally.

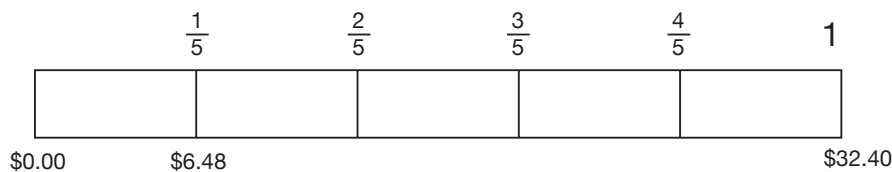


The discount of 40% is \$21.60. Subtract \$21.60 from the original price of \$54.00 to find the sale price during the end-of-season sale.

$$\$54.00 - \$21.60 = \$32.40$$

The price is now \$32.40.

2. Make a fraction bar to model the cost of the swimsuits during the  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale. The whole bar represents the cost of the swimsuits after the end-of-season sale, which is the cost before the additional  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale. This bar is then divided into 5 equal parts and  $\frac{1}{5}$ -of \$32.40 or \$6.48 is computed.



The additional discount of  $\frac{1}{5}$  off the end-of-season sale price is \$6.48. Subtract \$6.48 from the end-of-season sale price of \$32.40 to find the sale price during the additional  $\frac{1}{5}$ -off sale.

$$\$32.40 - \$6.48 = \$25.92$$

The price after both discounts is \$25.92.

7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems



(7.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

**Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills**

Objective 1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of numbers, operations, and quantitative reasoning.

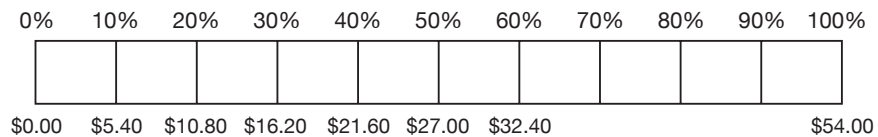
Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical processes and tools used in problem solving.

3. Make a percent bar to model the total discount to decide whether Shannon or Mary figured the discount correctly. The whole bar will represent the original cost of the swimsuits. Using 10% benchmarks, 60% of \$54 can be determined.

$$10\% \text{ discount} = \$5.40$$

$$6 \times 10\% \text{ or } 60\% \text{ discount} = \$32.40$$

Another way to find the 60% discount would be to add the 10% discount to the 50% discount ( $\$5.40 + \$27.00 = \$32.40$ ).



Sixty percent off the original price is \$32.40. Subtract \$32.40 from the original price of \$54.00 to find the price with 60% off the original price.

$$\$54.00 - \$32.40 = \$21.60$$

Shannon is not correct because she figures that the swimsuits were 60% off the regular price, which would have been a price of \$21.60. The sale price with both discounts is \$25.92.

Subtract the final sale price of \$25.92 from the original price of \$54.00 to find the total discount amount.

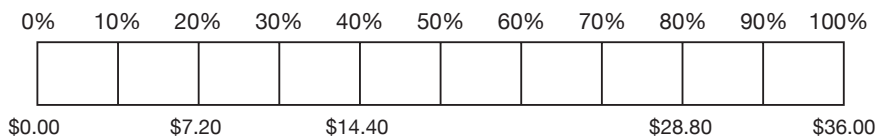
$$\$54.00 - \$25.92 = \$28.08$$

This is less than \$32.40, which corresponds to 60% on the percent bar. Mary is correct because she figures that the total discount is less than 60%.

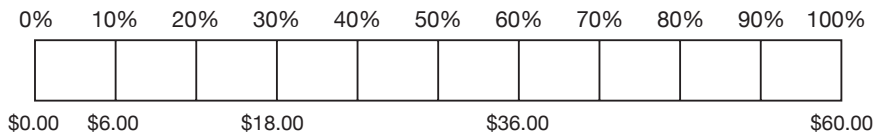
### Extension Questions

- How do you determine the price that was on the price tag at the end-of-season sale if you know the price paid for the swimsuit after all discounts was \$28.80?

*Since the sale was 40% off, followed by an additional  $\frac{1}{5}$  off, working backward can provide the price that was on the price tag. If the swimsuit was discounted  $\frac{1}{5}$  or 20%, then that means  $\frac{4}{5}$  or 80% of that price would be paid. Using benchmarks, find half of 80% (40%), then find half of 40% (20%). Using the model below, determine the money amount at each of these percentages. Since  $80\% + 20\% = 100\%$ , then  $\$28.80 + 7.20 = \$36$ . The swimsuit cost \$36 after the 40% discount.*



*This means that \$36 is 60% of the price tag. Use another model to find 100% of the price on the price tag.*

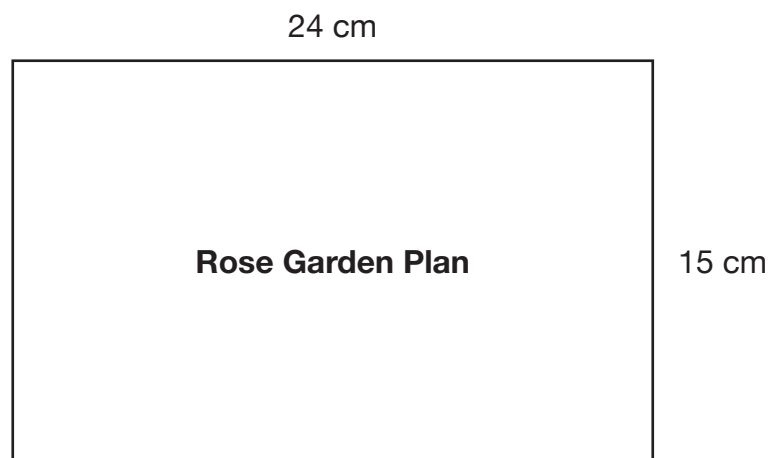


*Find the amount of money associated with some benchmark percents. Since  $60\% + 30\% + 10\% = 100\%$ , then  $\$36 + \$18 + \$6 = \$60$ , which is the price on the price tag before all discounts.*



## Rose Garden Plan grade 7

The town's Heritage Society has decided to plant a rose garden next to the historic Train Depot they have just restored. A landscape architect is drawing a plan for a rectangular rose garden on centimeter grid paper. He makes the following scale drawing, where length is 24 cm and width is 15 cm, to represent the actual rose garden. Three centimeters on the grid paper represents 7 meters in the actual rose garden.



1. Explain how to find the actual length of the rose garden when it is completed.
2. Explain how to find the actual width of the rose garden when it is completed.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

Centimeter grid paper

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(G) determine the reasonableness of a solution to a problem

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

### Scaffolding Questions

- How many centimeters in 1 meter?
- How can you change centimeters to meters?
- How does the rectangle in the scale drawing compare to the rectangle in the actual rose garden?
- How do you change the size of a figure without changing its shape?
- What is the ratio of the number of meters in the actual rose garden to the number of centimeters in the scale drawing?
- How can you use the scale in the drawing to find the actual dimensions of the rose garden?

### Sample Solutions

1. The relationship between the measure on the grid paper and the actual measure is

$$\frac{3 \text{ cm on scale drawing}}{7 \text{ meters in the rose garden}}$$

Since the length on the scale drawing is 24, we must find a scale factor that will result in 24 cm.

$$\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{8}{8} = \frac{24}{56}$$

The ratio  $\frac{24}{56}$  is equivalent to  $\frac{3}{7}$  and represents 24 cm in the scale drawing to 56 m in the actual rose garden. Therefore, the length of the actual rose garden will be 56 meters.

Possible solution using the equation method:

$$\frac{3 \text{ cm}}{7 \text{ m}} = \frac{24 \text{ cm}}{x}$$

Find the scale factor from 3 cm to 24 cm and multiply 7 m by this same scale factor of 8 to get 56 m.

2. The solution methods used in problem 1 may be used to find the actual width; however, here are some other possible methods for finding the width of the actual rose garden.

Possible solution using a table and equation:

Scale measurement	Process	Actual measurement
3 cm	$\frac{7}{3}$ (3)	7 m
6 cm	$\frac{7}{3}$ (6)	14 m
9 cm	$\frac{7}{3}$ (9)	21 m
x	$\frac{7}{3}$ (x)	y

The ratio of  $\frac{y}{x}$  in the table above is  $\frac{7}{3}$  and represents a constant ratio or constant of proportionality,

$\frac{7 \text{ meters in the rose garden}}{3 \text{ cm on scale drawing}}$ . The rule  $y = \frac{7}{3}x$  can be written from the process column in the table above where y represents the number of meters in the actual measurement and x, the number of centimeters in the scale drawing. This rule means that the number of meters in the actual rose garden is  $\frac{7 \text{ meters in the rose garden}}{3 \text{ cm on scale drawing}}$  times the number of centimeters in the scale drawing. To find the number of meters in the width of the rose garden, multiply  $\frac{7}{3}$  by the number of centimeters in the width of the scale drawing.

$$y = \frac{7}{3}x$$

$$y = \frac{7}{3}(15)$$

$$y = 35 \text{ meters}$$

There are 35 meters in the width of the actual rose garden represented by 15 centimeters in the scale drawing.

Possible solution using a proportion and solving with properties of equality:

$$\frac{3}{7} = \frac{15}{s}, \frac{7}{3} = \frac{s}{15}$$

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

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Multiply both sides of the equation by 15 to get the following solution:

$$15 \times \frac{7}{3} = 15 \times \frac{s}{15}$$

$$\frac{105}{3} = s$$

$$35 \text{ m} = s \text{ or } s = 35 \text{ meters}$$

### Extension Questions

- The Heritage Society decides they will put both a rose garden and a vegetable garden in the same amount of space as the original rose garden. What are several options for the design of the rose garden/vegetable garden combination? The new scale drawing uses a scale of 2 centimeters on the grid paper to represent 5 meters in the garden. What will the dimensions of the new scale drawing be?

*The problem involves “undoing” what was done in problems 1 and 2 where the dimensions of the scale drawing were given and the dimensions of the actual rose garden had to be found. In this problem, the dimensions of the actual rose garden are known from problems 1 and 2 ( $l = 56 \text{ m}$ ,  $w = 35 \text{ m}$ ), and the dimensions of the scale drawing must be found.*

*Another difference involves the scale used: 2 cm on the grid represents 5 m in the actual garden. The equation  $\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{5 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{35 \text{ m}}$  can be written and solved using the scale factor method. Scale up 5 m to 35 m using a scale factor of 7. Multiply 2 cm by the scale factor 7 to get 14 cm for the width in the new scale drawing.*

*The equation  $\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{5 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{56 \text{ m}}$  is solved in a similar way. Scale up 5 m to 56 m using a scale factor of 11.2. Multiply 2 cm by 11.2 to get 22.4 cm for the length in the new scale drawing. The dimensions of the new scale drawing using 2 centimeters to represent 5 meters in the actual garden will be length = 22.4 cm and width = 14 cm.*

*This area can then be divided into the rose garden and the vegetable garden in a variety of ways.*

- Suppose the dimensions of the scale drawing in the original problem are doubled. How would this affect the scale so that the actual size of the garden does not change? Explain.

*The actual size of the garden was found to be 35 meters by 56 meters in the original problem. When the dimensions of the scale drawing are doubled, they become 30 cm by 48 cm. The question is “What scale is used in the drawing (30 cm by 48 cm) to represent 35 meters by 56 meters in the actual garden?”*

*The ratio of centimeters in the width of the scale drawing to corresponding meters*

*in the width of the actual garden can be written as 30 cm : 35 m or 6 cm : 7 m. The ratio of centimeters in the length of the scale drawing to corresponding meters in the length of the actual garden can also be written as 48 cm : 56 m or 6 cm : 7 m. This common ratio 6 cm : 7 m shows the scale that was used in the scale drawing with  $l = 48$  cm and  $w = 30$  to represent the dimensions of the actual garden of 35 meters by 56 meters.*





## Talk, Talk, Talk

### grade 8

Mrs. Kim decided to buy her son, Jason, a cellular phone so that he can easily communicate with his parents when he is away from home. Mrs. Kim found two companies that offer special rates for students. Talk Cheap cellular phone service has no monthly basic fee but charges \$0.55 a minute. Talk Easy cellular phone service charges a basic monthly fee of \$35 plus \$0.15 for each minute used. Both companies do not round the time to the nearest minute like many of their competitors do; they charge only for the exact amount of time used. Build a table, make a graph, and write a rule to represent the cost of cellular service for both companies.

1. If price is the only factor, which plan is better?
2. Which company should Mrs. Kim choose if Jason never uses more than 30 minutes of cellular phone time each month?
3. If Jason knows the cost of each plan for 30 minutes, can he double this cost to find the cost for 60 minutes? Explain your answer.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student understands that different forms of numbers are appropriate for different situations. The student is expected to:

(B) select and use appropriate forms of rational numbers to solve real-life problems including those involving proportional relationships

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(A) compare and contrast proportional and non-proportional relationships

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected

### Scaffolding Questions

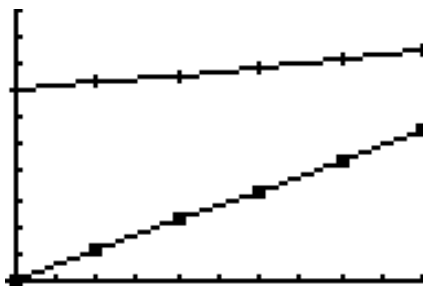
- Look at your table. How much would each company charge for 10 minutes? 20 minutes? 30 minutes? 25 minutes? 50 minutes?
- Look at your graph. Should the points be connected? Why?
- Looking at your graph, can you describe a rule you might use to determine *when* each plan is best?
- Look at your graph. Why does one line include the point of origin but the other does not?
- Why is it reasonable for the graph of the cost for service with both companies to be linear?
- What rule can you write to find the cost for any number of minutes for Talk Easy cellular phone service? For Talk Cheap cellular phone service?
- How can you express your rule in words?
- How could you decide the cost for service from each company for 200 minutes?

### Sample Solutions

Students might begin making the table by picking “round” numbers of minutes and finding the corresponding costs for the two companies.

# of Minutes	0	10	20	30	40	50	60
Talk Cheap	\$0.00	\$5.50	\$11.00	\$16.50	\$22.00	\$27.50	\$33.00
Talk Easy	\$35.00	\$36.50	\$38.00	\$39.50	\$41.00	\$42.50	\$44.00

Using a graphing calculator, students might plot the points and determine the rule for the lines corresponding to the cellular plans.



Students should write a rule to represent the cost  $y$  in dollars in terms of the number of minutes  $x$ .

The cost for Talk Easy equals \$35 plus 15 cents per minute times the number of minutes:  $y = 35.00 + 0.15x$ .

The cost for Talk Cheap is 55 cents per minute times the number of minutes:  $y = 0.55x$ .

1. Students could answer this question by graphing the rules and examining the graph to determine that Talk Cheap is the cheaper plan, but after a certain amount of time Talk Easy becomes the cheaper plan. Students can use the trace function on the graphs to find the point of intersection of the lines that represents the cost of each plan, or they may use the table functions to determine when Talk Easy becomes more economical.

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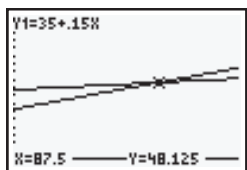
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X	Y1	Y2
85.5	47.825	47.025
86	47.9	47.3
86.5	47.975	47.575
87	48.05	47.85
87.5	48.125	48.125
88	48.2	48.4
88.5	48.275	48.675

X=87.5

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WINDOW
Xmin=57
Xmax=104
Xscl=0
Ymin=-3
Ymax=90
Yscl=5
Xres=
  
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From the table we can see that the cost is the same at 87.5 minutes. The charge for  $Y_1$ , Talk Easy, is greater than the cost for  $Y_2$ , Talk Cheap, when the number of minutes is less than 87.5. The charge for the  $Y_1$ , Talk Easy, is less than the cost for  $Y_2$ , Talk Cheap, when the number of minutes is greater than 87.5.

to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

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(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

The graph of  $Y_1$ , Talk Easy, is above the graph of  $Y_2$ , Talk Cheap, for minutes less than 87.5. The graph of  $Y_1$ , Talk Easy, is below the graph of  $Y_2$ , Talk Cheap, for minutes greater than 87.5.

Using one of these methods students will conclude that Talk Cheap is a more economical plan if the phone is used for less than 87.5 minutes; otherwise, Talk Easy is the better plan.

2. Mrs. Kim should choose Talk Cheap if Jason never uses more than 30 minutes of talk time. This can be determined by using the table or graph shown above.
3. The rule for the Talk Cheap plan is  $y = 0.55x$  and the graph of the rule passes through the origin. Therefore, the cost of Talk Cheap plan is proportional to the time used, so Jason can figure the cost of 60 minutes by doubling the cost of 30 minutes of talk time for this plan. However, because there is a basic monthly fee, Talk Easy charges are not proportional to the time used. That is, the graph of the rule,  $y = 35.00 + 0.15x$ , does not pass through the origin, so this rule does not represent a proportional relationship. Jason cannot figure the cost of 60 minutes by doubling the cost of 30 minutes of talk time for this plan.

$$y = 35.00 + 0.15(30) = \$39.50$$

$$y = 35.00 + 0.15(60) = \$44$$

### Extension Questions

- How would the graphs be affected if Talk Easy increased or decreased its basic fee, or if Talk Cheap began charging a fee?

*The point where the graph of the line intersects the y-axis would be changed to the new starting fee amount.*

- How would the graph of Talk Cheap be affected if the company increased or decreased its cost per minute?

*The steepness (slope) of the graph would change.*

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of numbers, operations, and quantitative reasoning.

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical processes and tools used in problem solving.

## Half-Life Happening grade 8

Scientists use a pattern to calculate what they call “half-life.” In physics, half-life is the time required for one-half of a radioactive material to decay. During the next half-life, half of the remaining radioactive material decays. The pattern continually repeats. As the amount of remaining radioactive material approaches zero, there is a point where scientists consider it immeasurable.

The half-life of Lead-214 is 27 minutes. This means that every 27 minutes, half of the radioactive materials in Lead-214 has decayed.

The original amount is 1 gram. Below is a table that shows the amount after a given number of minutes.

Number of half-life	Time lapsed	Measure of the number of grams remaining		
		Fractional form	Decimal form	Exponential form
0	0 minutes	$\frac{1}{1}$	1.0	$2^0$
1	27 minutes	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.5	$2^{-1}$
	54 minutes			
				$2^{-3}$
4			0.0625	
5				

1. Complete the table above.
2. What is the decimal form of the fractional part of Lead-214 remaining after 81 minutes?

3. What is the exponential form of the fractional part of Lead-214 remaining after 108 minutes?
4. Using scientific notation, give the part of Lead-214 that is remaining after 2 hours and 15 minutes of decay.
5. If you know the time lapse at the fifth half-life, can you double this amount to find the time lapse at the tenth half-life? Explain.
6. If you know the amount remaining of Lead-214 at the fifth half-life, can you double this amount to find the amount remaining of Lead-214 at the tenth half-life? Explain.
7. What is the amount of decay at the fifth half-life? Can you double this amount to find the amount of decay of Lead-214 for tenth half-life? Explain.



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student understands that different forms of numbers are appropriate for different situations. The student is expected to:

(B) select and use appropriate forms of rational numbers to solve real-life problems including those involving proportional relationships

(D) express numbers in scientific notation, including negative exponents, in appropriate problem situations using a calculator

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(B) add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers in problem situations

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

### Scaffolding Questions

- How many minutes are in a half-life interval?
- What fraction of the remaining radioactive materials decays during each half-life?
- What process do you use to convert a fraction to decimal form? What do you do to find the fractional part remaining after 81 minutes?
- What process do you use to write a fraction in exponential form? What do you do to find the exponential form remaining after 108 minutes?
- How can you find the number of half-life after 2 hours and 15 minutes of decay?

### Sample Solutions

1. To complete the table each new amount is found by multiplying the previous amount by one-half. The number of minutes increases by 27 minutes per half-life.

Number of half-life	Time lapsed	Measure of the number of grams remaining		
		Fractional form	Decimal form	Exponential form
0	0 minutes	$\frac{1}{1}$	1.0	$2^0$
1	27 minutes	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.5	$2^{-1}$
2	54 minutes	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.25	$2^{-2}$
3	81 minutes	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.125	$2^{-3}$
4	108 minutes	$\frac{1}{16}$	0.0625	$2^{-4}$
5	135 minutes	$\frac{1}{32}$	0.03125	$2^{-5}$

2. Students should use the table they created to answer this question. The decimal form of the fractional part of Lead-214 remaining after 81 minutes is 0.125 grams.
3. The exponential form of the fractional part of Lead-214 remaining after 108 minutes is  $2^{-4}$  grams.
4. Students must convert 2 hours and 15 minutes to minutes. Two hours is  $2(60)$ , or 120 minutes; 120 minutes plus 15 minutes is 135 minutes. From the table, the decimal form of measures of amount remaining is 0.3125. Change this to scientific notation.

0.3125 in scientific notation is  $3.125 \times 10^{-2}$

5. Yes, the time lapse is growing at a constant rate of 27 minutes per half-life. The time lapse for the fifth half-life is  $5(27)$ , or 135 minutes, so the time lapse of the tenth half-life will be  $10(27)$ , or 270 minutes.
6. No, the measures of amount remaining are not growing at a constant rate. In fact, they are decreasing exponentially. For example, the change from the first half-life to the second half-life is  $0.25 - 0.5$  or a decrease of 0.25. The change from the second half-life to the third half-life is  $0.125 - 0.5$ , or a decrease of 0.125.
7. For fifth half-life, the amount remaining is  $\frac{1}{32}$ ; therefore, the amount of decay is  $\frac{31}{32}$ . No, the amount of decay is not growing at a constant rate. The amount remaining for the tenth half-life is  $\frac{1}{1024}$ ; therefore, the amount of decay is  $\frac{1023}{1024}$ .

(A) compare and contrast proportional and non-proportional relationships

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

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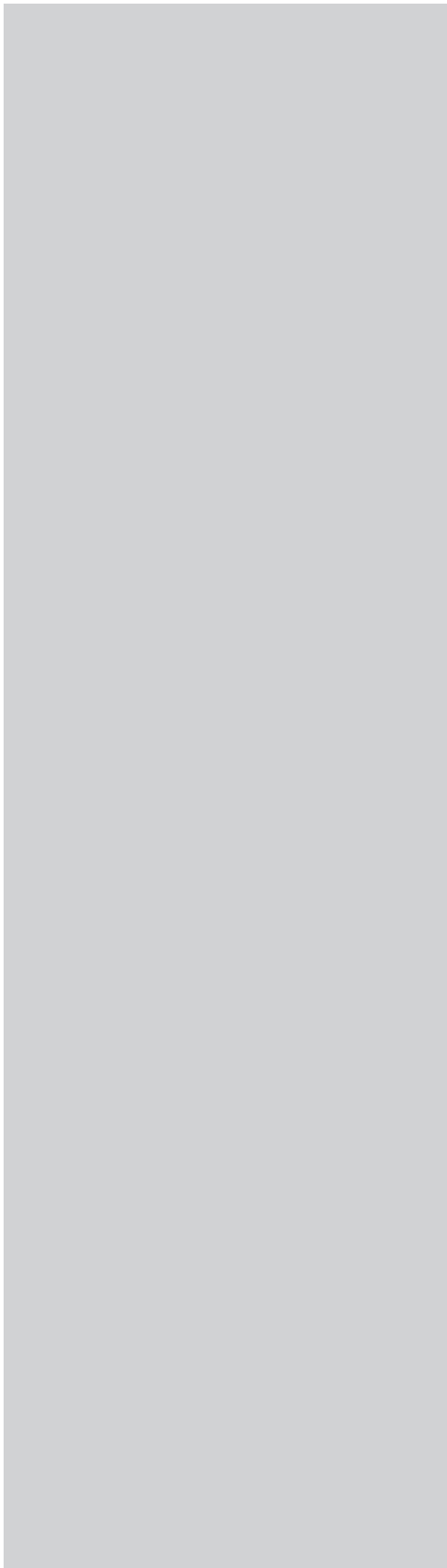
### Extension Questions

- Can you write an equation to represent the decay of Lead-214 ( $y$ ) in terms of the number of half-life ( $x$ )? Explain your equation.

$$y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$$

*Every half-life the amount of Lead-214 decreases by  $\frac{1}{2}$ , so an exponent can be used to represent the half-life number, and that will give us the amount of decay for that half-life number. For example, for half-life 5,*

$$y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \text{ so } y = 0.03125$$





## **Chapter 2:**

*Patterns, Relationships,  
and Algebraic Thinking*



## At Home in Space grade 6

OVERARCHING  
AT HOME IN SPACE

The International Space Station, ISS, is a state-of-the-art laboratory in space. It is a human experiment where we can learn to live and work “off planet.” The knowledge gained will help humans adjust to living in space in preparation for expeditions to Mars and beyond. The space station must be large enough to accommodate the more than 30 experiments onboard and provide living space for 6 astronauts. The space station is in the shape of a rectangular solid.

1. The table below shows volumes of an 18-square-foot area with different heights. Study the table and answer the following questions: What patterns can you find? Evaluate the patterns for a proportional relationship. Support your answer. Create a rule to describe how one number affects another.

**Volume of a solid with a base area of 18 ft<sup>2</sup>**

Area in ft <sup>2</sup>	Height in ft	Volume in ft <sup>3</sup>
18	1	18
18	2	36
18	3	54
18	4	72
18	5	90
18	6	108
18	7	126
18	8	144

2. According to NASA, the floor space in the average American house is about 1,800 square feet. The ceiling is usually 8 feet high. How many cubic feet are in an average American house?
3. If the ISS has 43,000 cubic feet of pressurized volume, how many average American houses would fit in it?



## Materials

Calculator

Cubes

Rectangular boxes

Grid paper

## Connections to TEKS

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

(6.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters as variables in mathematical expressions to describe how one quantity changes when a related quantity changes. The student is expected to:

(A) use tables and symbols to represent and describe proportional and other relationships involving conversions, sequences, perimeter, area, etc.

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- Can you describe a strategy to find volume?
- How are units of measurement used to express area? Volume?
- Describe how you could show the floor area with cubes.
- What ratios can be found using the data in the table?
- How does area relate to volume? Volume to area? Volume to height?
- How is the living space at home like or different from the living space in the ISS?
- What solid figure best describes a simple house?
- What is the floor area of the average American house?
- Can you describe a method for finding floor area?
- How can you use cubes to model a rectangular house?
- Does a simpler problem created by dividing the area and volume by 100 model the same pattern?
- Is there a relationship between the height and the number of cubes?
- Which item from the table is represented by the variable?

### Sample Solutions

1. Answers will vary. Here are some patterns the students may find.
  - The area remains the same or constant.
  - The volume is always the area times the height.

- If the height is 2, then the area is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the volume. If the height is 4, then the area is  $\frac{1}{4}$  the volume.
- Some ratios noticed:

The ratio of the volume to the height:

$$\frac{72 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{4 \text{ ft of height}} = \frac{18 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft of height}}$$

$$\frac{54 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{3 \text{ ft of height}} = \frac{18 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft of height}}$$

$$\frac{36 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{3 \text{ ft of height}} = \frac{18 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft of height}}$$

Notice that this ratio is the same for all given values.

These patterns show that the volume is proportional to the height because the ratios are equal to each other. When the height increases by 1, the volume increases by 18.

The ratio of the volume to the area:

$$\frac{72 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{18 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}} = \frac{4 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}}$$

$$\frac{54 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{18 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}} = \frac{3 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}}$$

$$\frac{36 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{18 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}} = \frac{2 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ of volume}}{1 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ of area}}$$

This ratio is not constant.

- To create a rule students may use cubes to show the area. As the height increases by 1, the student thinks of “1” as another layer that is congruent to the layer below. The student may also see from the table that the area times the height is equal to the volume of the prism.

Let height =  $h$  and volume =  $v$ . The area is 18, so the rule for this relationship is  $18h = v$ .

2. Students might also use the rule they wrote to show the relationship in the table. The area of the base times the height equals the volume.

$$1,800 \text{ ft}^2 (8 \text{ ft}) = 14,400 \text{ ft}^3$$

(B) generate formulas to represent relationships involving perimeter, area, volume of a rectangular prism, etc., from a table of data

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

3. The calculator may assist with this solution. Some students may use repeated addition such as  $14,400 + 14,400 + 14,400 = 43,200$ , or some may divide  $43,000$  by  $14,400$  to find that the answer is approximately 3 houses.

### Extension Questions

- According to NASA, the average American house has a 100 amp service from the electric company. The following conversion is also true:

$$100 \text{ amps} \times 110 \text{ volts} = 11,000 \text{ watts or } 11 \text{ kilowatts}$$

If the International Space Station uses approximately 110 kilowatts, about how many houses could it power?

*The student can set up a relationship between kilowatts used per house and the kilowatts used on the space station to find the number of houses that would use the same amount of kilowatts.*

$$\frac{11 \text{ kw of power}}{1 \text{ house}} = \frac{11 \text{ kw of power} \times 10}{1 \text{ house} \times 10} = \frac{110 \text{ kw of power}}{10 \text{ houses}}$$

*The same relationship can be shown using the following table:*

<b>Houses</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Kilowatts</b>	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110

### Resources used in this section

NASA Human Spaceflight, [spaceflight.nasa.gov](http://spaceflight.nasa.gov)

NASA Fun Stuff! Station Overview, [www.hq.nasa.gov/osf/funstuff/stationoverview/sld019.htm](http://www.hq.nasa.gov/osf/funstuff/stationoverview/sld019.htm) and [www.hq.nasa.gov/osf/funstuff/stationoverview/sld021.htm](http://www.hq.nasa.gov/osf/funstuff/stationoverview/sld021.htm)

## Solar Cells for Science grade 7

The United States and 15 other nations created the International Space Station, ISS, as a world-class laboratory in space. The ISS provides a gravity-free environment for about 30 experiments. Solar energy is used to run the research and maintain the ISS. This power is collected from the sun with photovoltaic modules made up of two rectangular panels called *arrays*.

As space research increases, the demands for power increase. In the next construction phase, astronauts plan to install two more sets of solar arrays on the space station. The photovoltaic modules will then have a total surface area of 1632 square meters, which is twice the present amount. The modules will contain a total of 65,000 solar power cells, which is 32,500 solar power cells more than the present amount.

### Photovoltaic modules

Number of array panels	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
Solar cells	32,500	65,000			162,500		
Area in m <sup>2</sup>		1,632	2,448			4,896	

1. Complete the table above. Describe any patterns you see in the sequences.
2. Make a conjecture about the proportionality of the number of solar cells to the number of array panels. Graph the number of solar cells compared to the number of array panels. Does the graph support your conjecture? Why or why not?
3. Make a conjecture about the proportionality of the number of solar cells to the area of the array panels. Graph the number of solar cells compared to the area of the array panels. Does the graph support your conjecture? Why or why not?

## Materials

Graph paper

Graphing calculator

## Connections to TEKS

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(A) generate formulas involving conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

(B) graph data to demonstrate relationships in familiar concepts such as conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

(7.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses equations to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) use concrete models to solve equations and use symbols to record the actions

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you describe a strategy that will work to find the missing information?
- Describe how to find the number of solar cells for 6 panels.
- How can you use the information in the table and the information given in the directions to find the area of 2 array panels?
- What ratios may be found using the given information?
- What patterns or sequences does the table reveal?
- What patterns can translate into a rule for the relationship between the number of array panels and the number of solar cells, or the area?
- What are the attributes of a proportional relationship?
- What questions analyze data for a proportion?
- What kind of relationship does the graphed data show?
- Does the line pass through the origin? How do you know?

### Sample Solutions

1. To complete the table, students may notice the pattern in the row for the number of array panels. Each term is a multiple of two. The number of solar cells is increasing by 32,500. The number of solar cells sequence is then

32,500 65,000 97,500 130,000 162,500 etc.

The problem states that the surface area for 4 panels is twice the surface area for 2 panels. Since 1,632 divided by 2 is 816, the first table value in the area row is 816.

$$1,632 \div 2 = 816$$

Each new value is 816 more than the previous value.

816    1,632    2,448    3,264    4,080 etc.

Another approach may be to set up a ratio between the area and the number of array panels.

$$\frac{1632 \text{ m}^2}{4 \text{ panels}} = \frac{408 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ panel}}$$

With the ratio in lowest terms, the student can find the other areas by multiplying the area, 408 m<sup>2</sup>, by the number of array panels.

Find the ratio between array panels and solar cells:

$$\frac{4 \text{ array panels}}{65,000 \text{ solar cells}} = \frac{1 \text{ array panel}}{16,250 \text{ solar cells}}$$

With the ratio in lowest terms, the student can find the other amounts of solar cells by multiplying the solar cells, 16,250, by the number of array panels.

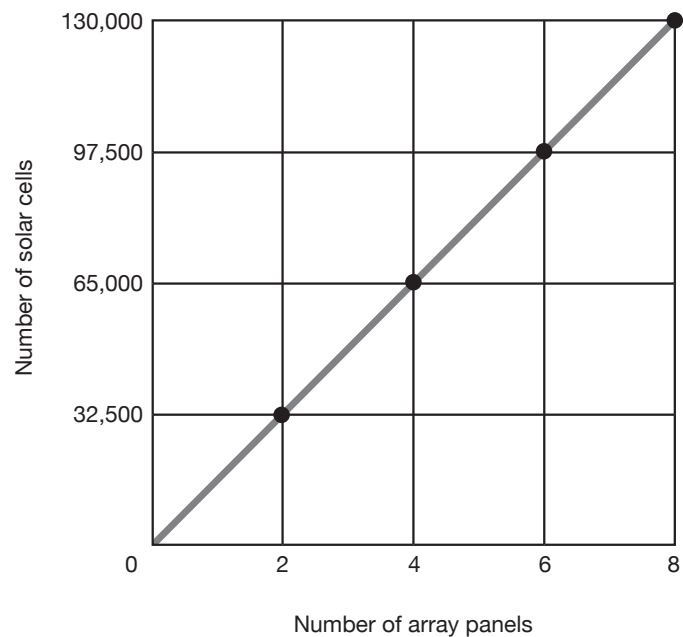
### Photovoltaic modules

# of array panels	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
Solar cells	32,500	65,000	97,500	130,000	162,500	195,000	227,500
Area in m <sup>2</sup>	816	1632	2448	3264	4080	4896	5712

- Students may conjecture that the number of solar cells increases as the number of panels increases. The number of solar cells increases at the constant rate of 32,500 for every 2 panels, or 16,250 cells per 1 panel. If the relationship is proportional, the number of panels will increase by the constant rate. For example, if the number of panels doubles, then the number of solar cells doubles. The scatterplot of the data lies on a straight line through the origin. When a proportional relationship is graphed, the line goes through the origin.

### Connections to TAKS

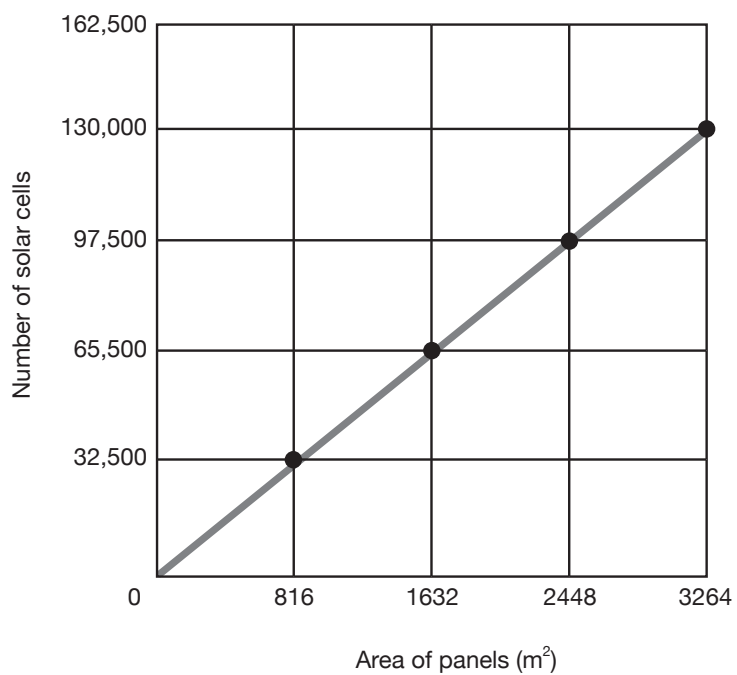
Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.



3. The ratio of the number of solar panels to the area is

$$\frac{32,500 \text{ solar cells}}{816 \text{ m}^2} = \frac{65,000 \text{ solar cells}}{1632 \text{ m}^2} = \frac{97,500 \text{ solar cells}}{2448 \text{ m}^2} \approx \frac{39.83 \text{ solar cells}}{1 \text{ m}^2}$$

The scatterplot of the data lies on a line through the origin.



## Extension Questions

- The NASA engineers design a new solar array panel. The photovoltaic modules now have  $\frac{1}{4}$  the total surface area they had before and  $\frac{1}{4}$  the number of solar cells, but they still collect the same amount of power. Complete a new table showing the numbers of solar cells and area in  $m^2$ .

*The original surface area for 2 panels was  $816 m^2$  and had 32,500 solar cells, so 1 panel would have an area of  $408 m^2$  for every 16,250 solar cells. If the new panel uses only  $\frac{1}{4}$  the area and  $\frac{1}{4}$  the solar cells, then the new panel would have an area of  $102 m^2$  and have 4,062.5 solar cells.*

## Resources used in this section

NASA Human Spaceflight, [spaceflight.nasa.gov](http://spaceflight.nasa.gov)





## City in Space grade 8

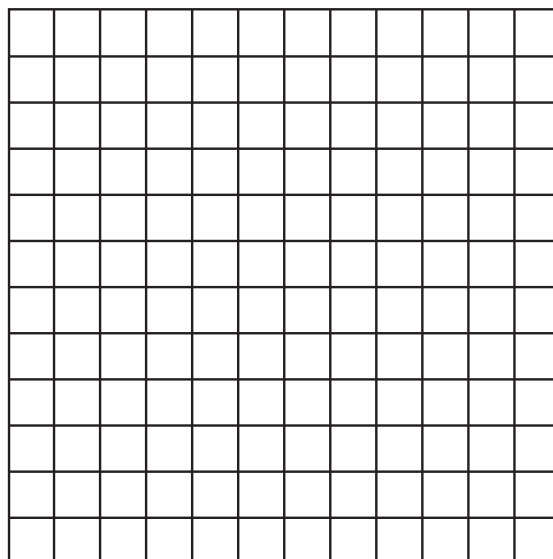
The International Space Station, ISS, is more than just a laboratory in space. It represents a “city in space,” a partnership of 16 nations learning and working in a gravity-free environment. The United States and Russia installed photovoltaic modules to store solar power for the station’s electricity. The U.S.’s photovoltaic modules are made of two rectangular panels. Each panel measures 34 meters long and 12 meters wide. Two panels provide 23 kilowatts of electricity per day.

**Photovoltaic modules**

<b># of array panels</b>	2	4	6	8	10
<b>Area in m<sup>2</sup></b>	816	1,632	2,448	3,264	4,080
<b>Kilowatts</b>	23	46	69	92	115

Use the information from the table above to answer the following questions.

1. Describe the patterns you see in the table above.
2. Explain the relationship between the number of panels and the number of kilowatts. Graph the relationship. Is this a proportional relationship? How do you know? Create a rule to describe this relationship.



3. Predict the number of kilowatts if there had been 16 array panels.
4. Show how to determine the number of array panels if there are 276 kilowatts being produced.
5. Describe the relationship between the area and the number of kilowatts. Write a rule that describes the relationship. Create a graph of the relationship. How can you tell from the rule and the graph whether this is a proportional relationship?
6. Due to a workload increase, the ISS engineers need to increase the electrical power by 50%. If the ISS has 8 panels now, how much solar power in kilowatts is needed to meet the workload increase?



## Materials

Grid paper

Graphing calculator

## Connections to TEKS

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(A) compare and contrast proportional and non-proportional relationships

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How do the ratios in the columns compare with each other?
- What are the proportional relationships?
- What type of graph best illustrates a proportional relationship?
- Does the line on the graph go through the origin? Explain how you know.
- Is the data discrete or continuous? Why?
- How does the area change as the number of panels changes?
- How do the kilowatts change as the number of panels changes?
- How does the ratio of a solar panel to kilowatts compare with the ratio of an area to kilowatts?
- Are any ratios equal to each other?
- What conjectures can you make from the table's data?

### Sample Solutions

1. The number of panels increased by 2 because it takes 2 panels to make each module. Two panels have an area of  $816 \text{ m}^2$ , so the area increases by  $816 \text{ m}^2$  for every 2 panels. Two panels provide 23 kw of power; for every 2 panels, the number of kilowatts increases by 23.

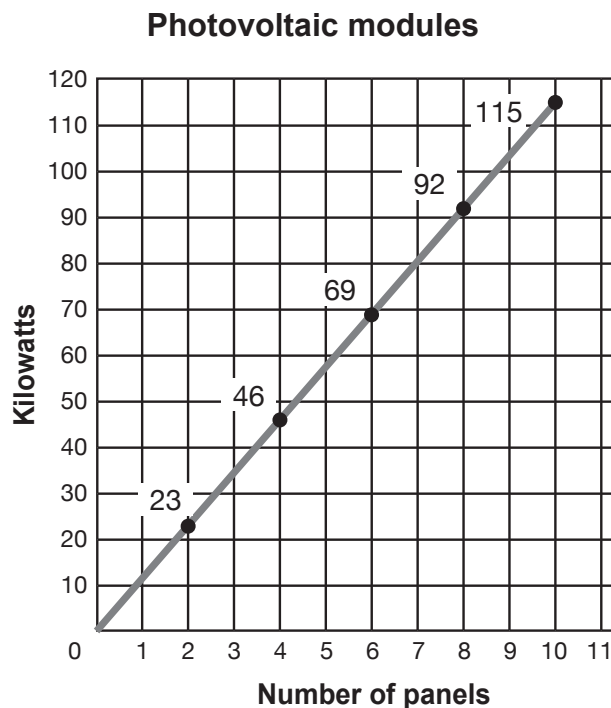
$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{23 \text{ kilowatts}}{2 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{11.5 \text{ kilowatts}}{1 \text{ array panel}} \\ \frac{46 \text{ kilowatts}}{4 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{11.5 \text{ kilowatts}}{1 \text{ array panel}} \\ \frac{69 \text{ kilowatts}}{6 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{11.5 \text{ kilowatts}}{1 \text{ array panel}} \\ \frac{92 \text{ kilowatts}}{8 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{11.5 \text{ kilowatts}}{1 \text{ array panel}} \\ \frac{115 \text{ kilowatts}}{10 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{11.5 \text{ kilowatts}}{1 \text{ array panel}} \end{array}$$

2. The ratio of the number of kilowatts to the number of array panels is constant.

The rate of change is 11.5 kilowatts per panel.

The rule that describes this relationship is  $k = 11.5n$ , where  $n$  represents the number of array panels and  $k$  represents the number of kilowatts.

The relationship is proportional because it has a rule of the form  $y = kx$ , where  $k$  is the constant of proportionality. The graph is a straight line and the line goes through the origin. A non-proportional relationship can also be a straight line, but the line will not go through the origin.



3. The rule may be used to find the number of kilowatts when the number of array panels is 16.

$$k = 11.5n$$

$$k = 11.5 (16) = 184 \text{ kilowatts.}$$

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(B) use an algebraic expression to find any term in a sequence

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

4. The number of kilowatts is 276.

A table may be used to determine the value of  $n$  when  $k = 276$ .

Number of array panels	Number of kilowatt hours
1	11.5
2	23
3	34.5
...	...
23	264.5
24	276
25	287.5
...	...

The number of array panels is 24.

5. The student may show the ratios as unit rates.

$$\frac{816 \text{ m}^2}{23 \text{ kw}} \approx \frac{35.5 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ kw}}$$

$$\frac{1,632 \text{ m}^2}{46 \text{ kw}} \approx \frac{35.5 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ kw}}$$

$$\frac{2,448 \text{ m}^2}{69 \text{ kw}} \approx \frac{35.5 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ kw}}$$

$$\frac{3,264 \text{ m}^2}{92 \text{ kw}} \approx \frac{35.5 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ kw}}$$

$$\frac{4,080 \text{ m}^2}{115 \text{ kw}} \approx \frac{35.5 \text{ m}^2}{1 \text{ kw}}$$

The ratio of area to kilowatts is not affected by the increase in solar panels. The area increases in proportion to the number of kilowatts collected by the panels. If the area doubles, the number of kilowatts doubles. When the area triples, the number of kilowatts also triples.

6. To increase by 50% means that the amount is 100% plus 50%. Multiply by 150% or 1.5.

$$\frac{92 \text{ kilowatts}}{8 \text{ array panels}} = \frac{92 \text{ kilowatts} \times 1.5}{8 \text{ array panels} \times 1.5} = \frac{138 \text{ kilowatts}}{12 \text{ array panels}}$$

There would be 12 panels for 138 kilowatts.

### Extension Questions

- Every 45 minutes the modules store energy from the daylight side of their orbit and again from the dark side of their orbit. How many power storage cycles take place in one day?

*Every 45 minutes a cycle takes place can be written as*

$$\frac{1 \text{ cycle}}{45 \text{ minutes}}$$

Since there are 60 minutes in 1 hour and 24 hours in 1 day, rates may be multiplied to convert to cycles per day.

$$\frac{1 \text{ cycle}}{45 \text{ minutes}} \times \frac{60 \text{ minutes}}{1 \text{ hour}} \times \frac{24 \text{ hours}}{1 \text{ day}} = \frac{32 \text{ cycles}}{1 \text{ day}}$$

### Resources used in this section

NASA Human Spaceflight, [spaceflight.nasa.gov](http://spaceflight.nasa.gov)





## Community Clean-Up grade 6

The state has an all-volunteer beach cleanup program to clean beaches and educate citizens about the problem of beach trash. Volunteers pick up trash along the coast twice a year. In the last 14 years, 273,000 volunteers have removed 450,000 kilograms of trash from the state's beaches. As a service project, the math club members decide to educate and recruit students for this year's beach clean-up.

1. Create and label several ratios to study relationships among the beach cleanup facts. Discuss your findings.
2. If a volunteer picks up the same ratio of trash every year, how much total trash will he or she pick up in ten years?
3. Determine the total trash to be removed this year if there are 50 volunteers. Predict the total trash in kilograms to be collected in the next five years and in the next 15 years. Graph the results.
4. If the 50 volunteers picked up double the amount of trash for the 15-year period, how much trash would be picked up? Graph this situation and compare to the graph in problem 3.
5. How could the math club use any of this information to recruit student volunteers for this year's beach clean-up?

## Materials

Calculator  
Poster board  
Chart paper or  
construction paper  
Markers or crayons

## Connections to TEKS

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What determines how you set up a ratio?
- Must it be in lowest terms?
- What is the relationship of volunteers to years?
- How do metric tons of trash compare with years?
- What is the ratio of the amount of trash picked up per volunteer?
- Are the relationships proportional? Why or why not?
- What steps can you take to predict trash pick-up in other years?
- How will a chart or graph help?

### Sample Solutions

1. Ratios may vary.

The ratio of volunteers to years shows that 19,500 volunteers are needed each year to pick up trash if the amount of trash stays the same each year.

$$\frac{273,000 \text{ volunteers} \div 14}{14 \text{ years} \div 14} = \frac{19,500 \text{ volunteers}}{1 \text{ year}}$$

The ratio of trash pick-up to years shows that 32,143 kg of trash is the average amount of trash picked up in one year.

$$\frac{450,000 \text{ kg} \div 14}{14 \text{ years} \div 14} \approx \frac{32,143 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ year}}$$

The ratio of amount of trash picked up in a year to volunteers shows that each volunteer picked up approximately 1.65 kg of trash a year.

$$\frac{32,143 \text{ kg of trash} \div 19,500}{19,500 \text{ volunteers} \div 19,500} \approx \frac{1.65 \text{ kg of trash}}{1 \text{ volunteer}}$$

2. The amount of trash picked up in 14 years seems like a very large amount. However, the ratios in the answer to problem 1 show that each volunteer picked up about 1.65 kg of trash per year.

The table below shows the relationship of years to the amount of trash picked up by each volunteer. The total amount a volunteer would pick up in 5 years is 8.25 kg, so for 10 years it would be twice as much. In 10 years a volunteer would pick up 16.5 kg of trash.

Years	Kilograms of trash
1	1.65
2	3.3
3	4.95
4	6.6
5	8.25
6	9.9
7	11.55
8	13.2
9	14.85
10	16.5

3. If 50 volunteers pick up trash for 1 year using the ratio of 1 volunteer to 1.65 kg of trash per year, then 50 volunteers can pick up  $50 \times 1.65 \text{ kg} = 82.5 \text{ kg}$  of trash per year. A table may be used to predict what amount of trash will be picked up in 5 and 15 years.

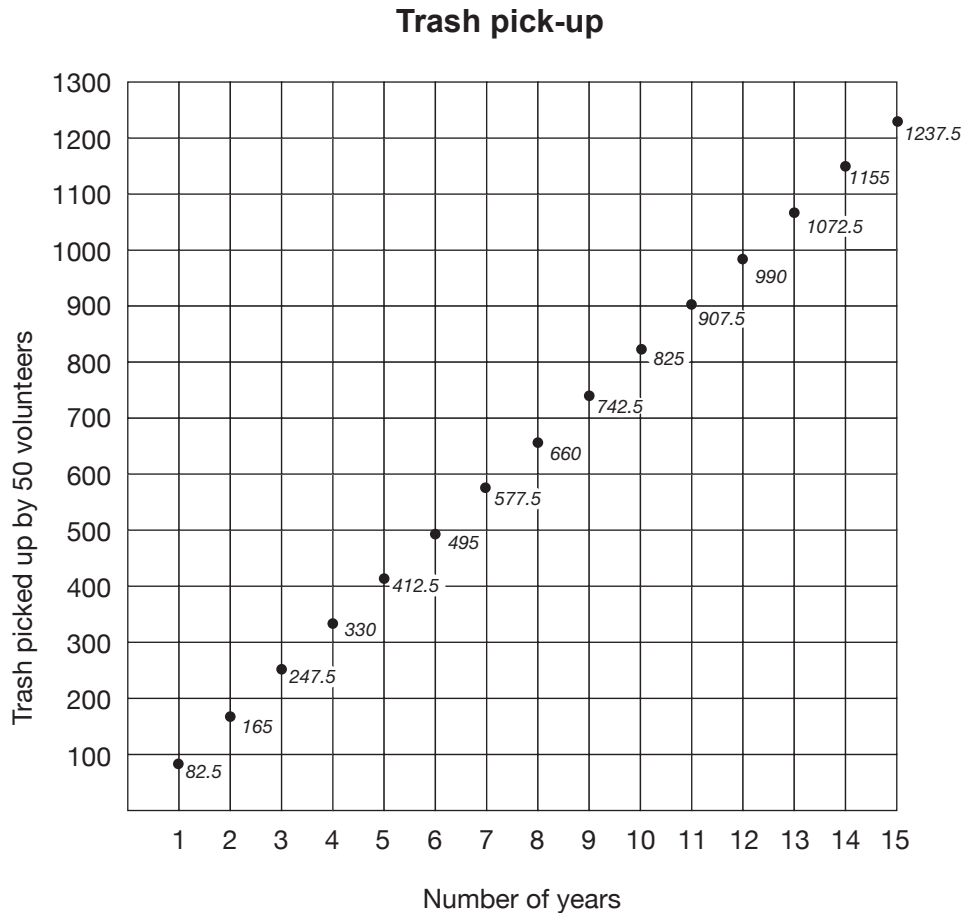
Years	Amount of trash in kg picked up by 50 volunteers
1	82.5
2	165
3	247.5
4	330
5	412.5
10	825
15	1237.5

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

Each year the amount of trash increased by 82.5 kg. In 5 years 50 volunteers will collect 412.5 kg of total trash. In 15 years, they will collect 3 times as much, which will total 1,237.5 kg of trash.

Here is a possible graph:



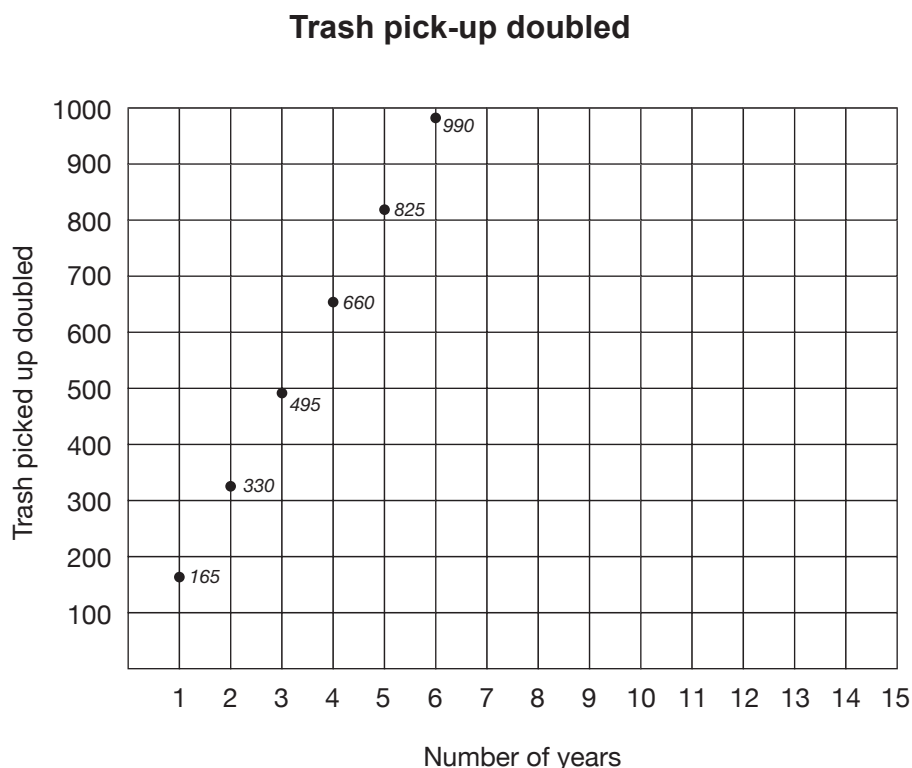
4. If 50 volunteers pick up double the amount of trash, the ratio of volunteers to trash will be 1 volunteer to 3.3 kg of trash per year.

$$\frac{3.3 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ volunteer}} \times 50 \text{ volunteers} = 165 \text{ kg per year}$$

To find out how much trash will be picked up in 15 years multiply 165 times the number of years.

$$\frac{165 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ year}} \times 15 \text{ years} = 2,475 \text{ kg}$$

Here is a possible graph:



The graph of this situation would show a line that is steeper and increases faster.

- Students will use a variety of methods for recruiting volunteers. Accept all ideas that use correct mathematical facts with different styles of persuasion. It is important to stress the mathematical relationships in this activity. For example, students may want to make posters or a sample flyer using tables or graphs. Artistic or visual learners may create a montage by attaching plastic wrappers and other trash to a poster to illustrate the point of the data. Slogans or catchy phrasing might be used.

### Extension Questions

- If the classroom trashcan holds approximately 2 kg of trash, how many trashcans of trash would equal the beach trash picked up in one year?

*One trashcan holds about the same amount of trash as one volunteer collects in a year; therefore, it would take 19,500 trashcans to hold the trash pick-up in one year.*

- In one month in 2002, 2,600 volunteers removed 45,000 kg of trash from Galveston Island. If the island has 32 miles of coastline, about how much trash was picked up per mile?

$$\frac{45,000 \text{ kg} \div 32}{32 \text{ miles} \div 32} \approx \frac{1,406 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ mile}}$$

*About 1,406 kg of trash per mile was picked up.*

**Resources used in this section**

Texas Adopt-A-Beach Program, [www.glo.state.tx.us](http://www.glo.state.tx.us).

International Coastal Cleanup, [www.coastalcleanup.org/top10.cfm](http://www.coastalcleanup.org/top10.cfm)

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, [www.tnrcc.state.tx.us](http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us)

## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows the use of various forms of one to simplify the ratios.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Describes mathematical relationships
- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations
- Evaluates the reasonableness or significance of the solution in the context of the problem
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them
- States a clear and accurate solution using correct units



## Community Clean-Up

1(A) Ratios: years : volunteers

$$\frac{14 \text{ years}}{273,000 \text{ volunteers}} \div \boxed{\frac{14}{14}} = \frac{1 \text{ year}}{19,500}$$

(B) volunteers : kilo

$$\frac{273,000 \text{ vol.}}{450,000 \text{ kilo}} \div \boxed{\frac{273}{273}} = \frac{1 \text{ volunteer}}{1.65 \text{ kilo of about trash}}$$

(C) kilo : years

$$\frac{450,000 \text{ kilo}}{14 \text{ years}} \div \boxed{\frac{14}{14}} = \frac{32,142}{1 \text{ year}} \quad (\text{about})$$

(A) You need 19,500 volunteers in a year to pick up trash for each of the 14 years

(B) 1 volunteer must pick up 1.65 kilo of trash each year for the 14 years.

(C) In 1 year <sup>about</sup> 32,142 kilo of trash has to be picked up.

(2)  $\frac{1 \text{ vol.}}{1.65 \text{ kilo}}$  in 1 year then  $\frac{1 \text{ vol.}}{16.5 \text{ kilo}}$  in 10 years  
 $1.65 \text{ kilo/yr.} \times 10 = 16.5 \text{ kilo}$   
each yr.

3. 1 vol picks up 1.65 each year  $\rightarrow$  mult  $\times 50$   
 50 vol pick up 82.5 a year.

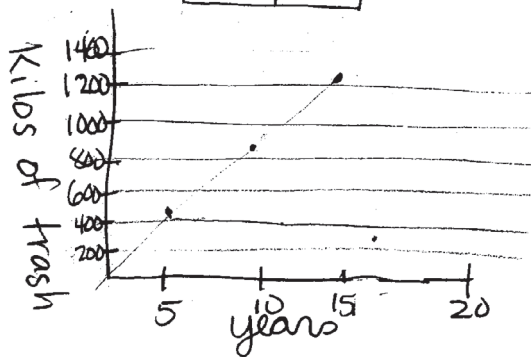
50 people pick up 82.5 in one year

$\times 5$   
 412.5 in 5 year

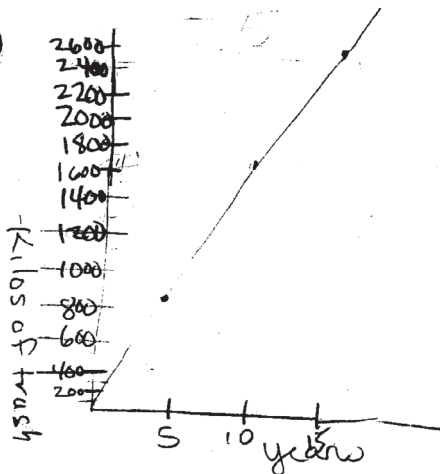
15 year = 1237.5 kilos

# of yrs	trash
5	412.5
10	825.0
15	1237.5

(3)



(4)



"Trash 50 volunteers will pick up"

4. Just double the amount  $1237.5 \times 2 =$   
 2475 Kilos of trash

5 = 825.

10 = 1650

15 = 2475 kilo

this graph goes  
 up faster  
 for every x the  
 y has doubled in  
 the pair (x,y)

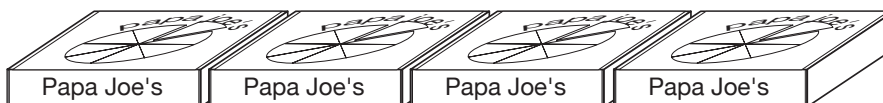
5. I would use <sup>the</sup> graph in #4 to help convince students to help. The more <sup>trash</sup> we get people to pick up the cleaner our beaches will be.



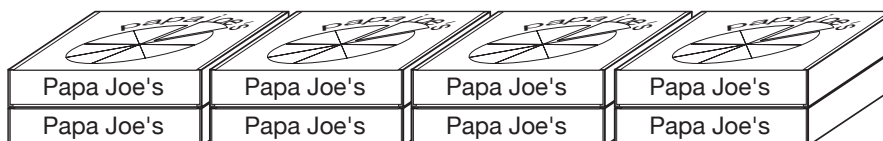
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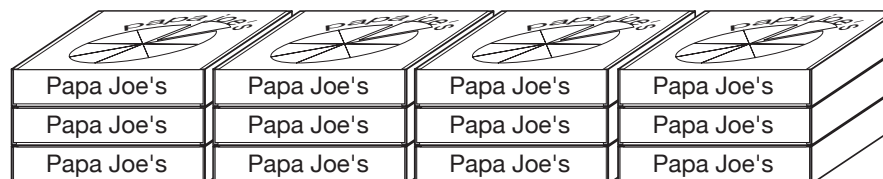
Papa Joe's Pizza Palace prepares pizza boxes by folding them in advance for its deliveries each day. On one shelf, a row of the pizza boxes are arranged as shown below:



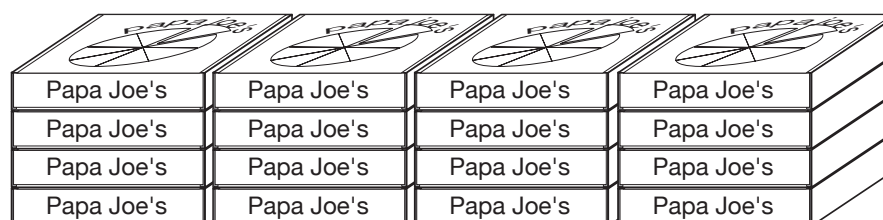
When there are two rows of pizza boxes on a shelf, the arrangement looks like this:



Three rows of pizza boxes stacked on a shelf looks like this:



The next picture shows the arrangement for a stack of four rows of pizza boxes.



As more pizza boxes are folded, the pattern continues like the boxes in the pictures above.

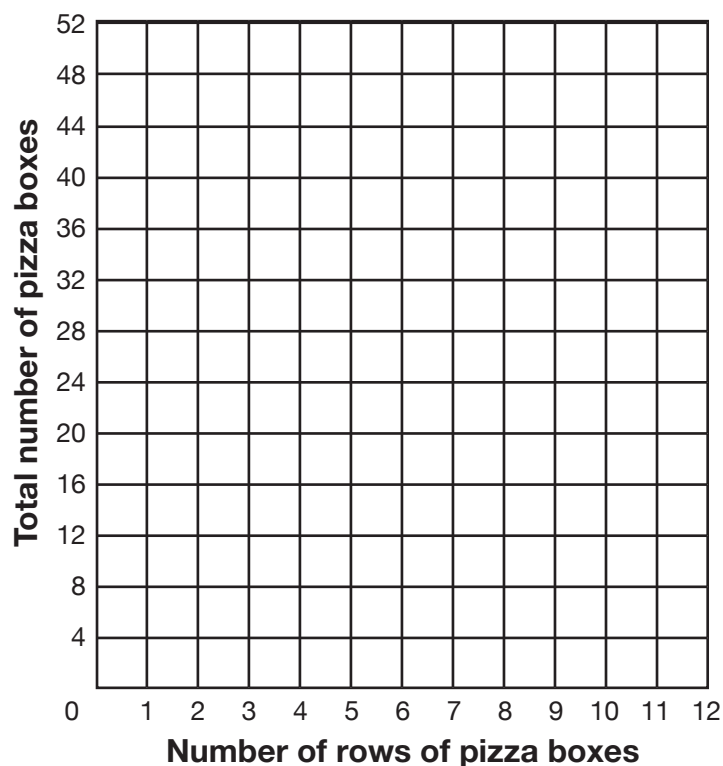
1. Describe the relationship between the number of rows of pizza boxes and the total number of pizza boxes.

2. Complete the following table of data to represent the pizza box pattern at Papa Joe's Pizza Palace. Use the process column to show how you find the total number of pizza boxes for each row.

Number of rows of pizza boxes	Process	Total number of pizza boxes
1		
2		
3		
4		
6		
10		
12		

3. Complete the following coordinate graph of data to represent the pizza box pattern at Papa Joe's Pizza Palace.

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4. Consider the ratio of the total number of pizza boxes to the number of rows. Compare the ratios for 3 rows and 6 rows.
5. Use the ratio of the total number of pizza boxes to the number of rows to answer the following two questions.
  - a. How can this ratio be used to find the total number of pizza boxes in 7 rows?
  - b. How can this ratio be used to find the number of rows if there are 44 pizza boxes?
6. Write a rule to describe the relationship between the number of pizza boxes and the number of rows.
7. Explain at least two methods for how to find the total number of pizza boxes in 30 rows.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

Square tiles to represent pizza boxes

### Connection to Middle School TEKS

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

(6.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters as variables in mathematical expressions to describe how one quantity changes when a related quantity changes. The student is expected to:

(A) use tables and symbols to represent and describe proportional and other relationships involving conversions, sequences, perimeter, area, etc.

### Scaffolding Questions

- What is the total number of pizza boxes in the first two rows?
- How does the total number of pizza boxes in the first two rows compare with the number 2?
- What does the ordered pair (3, 12) on the coordinate graph represent about the pizza boxes?
- What form of the number 1 can be used with the ratio  $\frac{1}{4}$  to find the number of rows of pizza boxes if the total number of pizza boxes is 12?

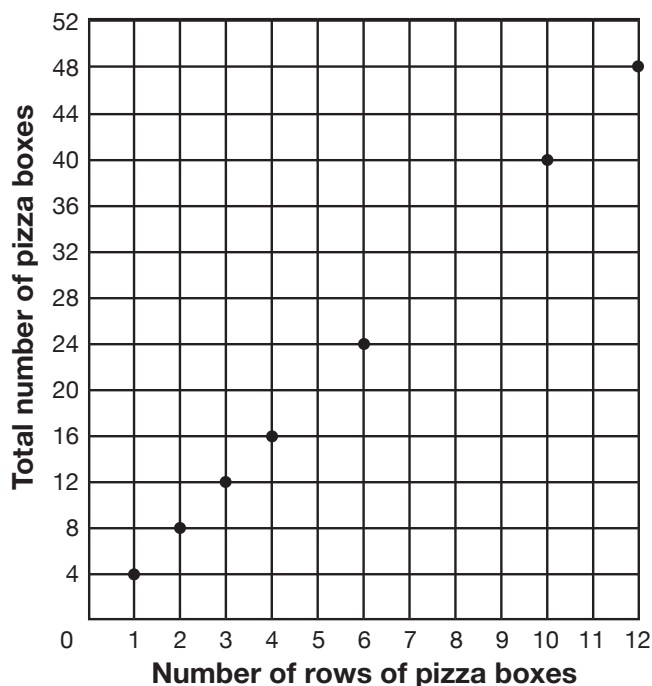
### Sample Solutions

1. The relationship between the number of rows of pizza boxes and the total number of pizza boxes can be described in a variety of ways.
  - The total number of pizza boxes is 4 times the number of rows of pizza boxes.
  - The number of rows of pizza boxes is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the total number of pizza boxes.
  - The ratio of the total number of pizza boxes to the number of rows of pizza boxes is always 4 to 1.
2. The table can be completed as shown below.

Number of rows of pizza boxes	Process	Total number of pizza boxes
1	1 x 4	4
2	2 x 4	8
3	3 x 4	12
4	4 x 4	16
6	6 x 4	24
10	10 x 4	40
12	12 x 4	48

3. The following coordinate graph shows the pattern of the pizza box data from the table of data in the solution to problem 2.

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4. The ratios of the total number of pizza boxes to the number of rows for rows 3 and 6 are equivalent. The ratio for row 3 is

$$\frac{12 \text{ pizza boxes}}{3 \text{ rows}} = \frac{4 \text{ pizza boxes}}{1 \text{ row}}$$

The ratio for row 6 is

$$\frac{24 \text{ pizza boxes}}{6 \text{ rows}} = \frac{4 \text{ pizza boxes}}{1 \text{ row}}$$

5. The ratio of the total number of pizza boxes to the number of rows of pizza boxes is 4 pizza boxes per row.
- a. The ratio 4 pizza boxes per row can be used to find the total number of pizza boxes in 7 rows.

(B) generate formulas to represent relationships involving perimeter, area, volume of a rectangular prism, etc., from a table of data

(6.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters to represent an unknown in an equation. The student is expected to formulate an equation from a problem situation

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 1: The student will demonstrate an understanding of numbers, operations, and quantitative reasoning.

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.

Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.



Multiply the ratio by 1 in the form of  $\frac{7}{7}$  to multiplicatively increase the number of rows from 1 to 7.

$$\frac{4 \text{ pizza boxes}}{1 \text{ row}} \times \frac{7}{7} = \frac{28 \text{ pizza boxes}}{7 \text{ rows}}$$

So 28 total pizza boxes are needed to have 7 complete rows of pizza boxes.

- b. The ratio of 4 pizza boxes per row can be used to find the number of rows of pizza boxes for 44 pizza boxes.

Multiply the ratio by 1 in the form of  $\frac{11}{11}$  to multiplicatively increase the total number of pizza boxes from 4 to 44.

$$\frac{4 \text{ pizza boxes}}{1 \text{ row}} \times \frac{11}{11} = \frac{44 \text{ pizza boxes}}{11 \text{ rows}}$$

So 44 total pizza boxes are needed to have 11 complete rows of pizza boxes.

6. The number of boxes of pizza is four times the number of rows of pizza. Let  $r$  represent the number of rows and let  $p$  represent the number of pizza boxes.

$$p = 4r$$

7. **Method: table of data**

Using the table of data generated in the solution to problem 2 leads to a variety of methods.

Number of rows of pizza boxes	Process	Total number of pizza boxes
1	1 x 4	4
2	2 x 4	8
3	3 x 4	12
4	4 x 4	16
6	6 x 4	24
10	10 x 4	40
12	12 x 4	48

For example, use the pattern in the table to continue the process until 30 rows.

Number of rows of pizza boxes	Process	Total number of pizza boxes
1	$1 \times 4$	4
2	$2 \times 4$	8
3	$3 \times 4$	12
4	$4 \times 4$	16
6	$6 \times 4$	24
10	$10 \times 4$	40
20	$2(10 \times 4)$	80
30	$3(10 \times 4)$	120

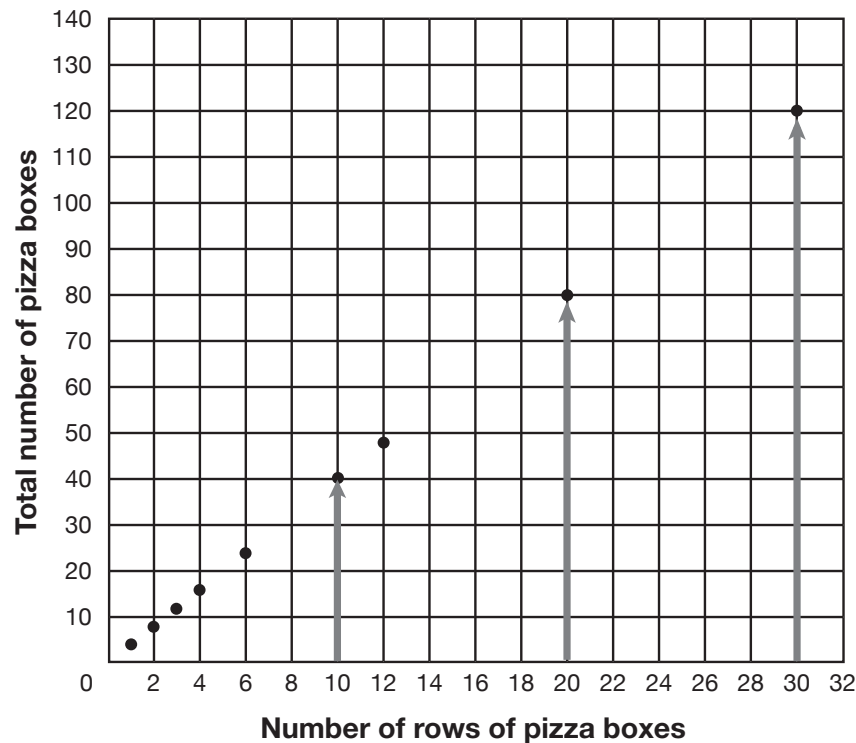
Since  $30 \div 10 = 3$ , the number of rows of pizza boxes, 10, multiplied by 3 increases the rows of pizza boxes multiplicatively to 30. Therefore, the total number of pizza boxes in 30 rows increased multiplicatively by the same factor is 120, since  $40 \times 3 = 120$ .

### Method: graphing

The total number of pizza boxes in 30 rows can also be found by extending the graph of data using the same pattern of the data.

Note how the vertical length on the graph doubles when increasing from 10 rows of pizza boxes to 20 rows of pizza boxes (for 80 total pizza boxes) and triples when increasing from 10 rows of pizza boxes to 30 rows of pizza boxes (for 120 total pizza boxes).

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### Method: equation

Using equation methods, the total number of pizza boxes,  $t$ , in 30 rows can be obtained by using the rule that describes the relationship between the number of pizza boxes and the number of rows.

The total number of pizza boxes is 4 times the number of rows of pizza boxes.

$$p = 4r$$

$$p = 4(30)$$

$$p = 120$$

There are 120 pizza boxes.

## Extension Questions

- How can you explain whether the point (23, 96) represents a point on the coordinate graph for the pattern of the pizza boxes?

*Because the total number of pizza boxes is 4 times the number of rows of pizza boxes, the 96 in the ordered pair should be four times 23. However, 4 times 23 is 92, so the point (23, 96) does not represent a point on the coordinate graph for the pattern of pizza boxes.*

*Also, the graph could be extended to 23 rows of pizza boxes on the horizontal axis. Following the pattern of increasing 4 pizza boxes for every row, the total number of pizza boxes would be 92.*

- Using symbols, how can you express the relationship between the number of rows of pizza boxes and the total number of pizza boxes?

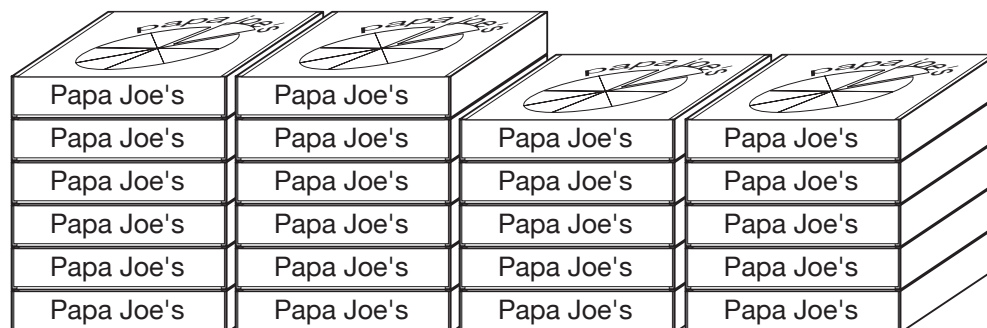
*If the number of rows of pizza boxes is represented by  $r$  and the total number of pizza boxes is represented by  $t$ , the relationship can be expressed symbolically by  $t = 4r$  or  $\frac{t}{r} = 4$  or  $\frac{r}{t} = \frac{1}{4}$ .*

- If Papa Joe's Pizza Palace expands its business and prepares three shelves all the same size with an equal number of rows of pizza boxes on each shelf, how many rows of pizza boxes are on each shelf if the total number of pizza boxes is 288?

*The 288 pizza boxes will be divided among the three shelves equally.*

*Since  $288 \div 3 = 96$ , there will be 96 pizza boxes on each shelf. Then the 96 pizza boxes will be split equally into rows containing 4 boxes each. Since  $96 \div 4 = 24$ , there will be 24 rows of 4 pizza boxes on each of the 3 shelves.*

- What equation shows the relationship between the number of rows of pizza boxes and the total number of boxes on the shelf pictured below?



*The equation  $22 = 5 \times 4 + 2$  shows that there is a total of 22 pizza boxes in 5 rows of 4 plus 2 more pizza boxes in the top row.*



## South Texas Natives grade 7

The South Texas region is home to more plant, butterfly, and animal species than any other biological region in Texas. Due to the introduction of foreign plants and foreign animals, South Texas native plants and animals are in danger of being overrun and even becoming extinct. The South Texas Natives program helps landowners replant native plants in private and public lands. To make seeds available, volunteers collect seeds of these threatened native plants.

With this in mind, the school science club volunteers to collect buffalo grass seeds. As an incentive, the South Texas Natives program pays \$20 dollars for each kilogram of buffalo grass seeds collected.

1. Fifteen students help collect seeds for the science club project. How much money did the science club earn if each student collected 2 kilograms? Explain your solution.
2. Describe the relationship between the number of kilograms and the amount of money received. Is the relationship proportional? Explain why or why not.
3. Describe the relationship between the amount of money earned and the number of students. Is the relationship proportional? Explain why or why not.
4. The science club has a goal to raise \$1,000 dollars during this school year. What percentage of this year's goal was met by the 15 students with the seed collection project? Explain your reasoning.
5. What percentage of the money did each student collect? Explain your solution.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator (optional)

### Connections to TEKS

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percent; and

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(C) describe the relationship between the terms in a sequence and their positions in the sequence

### Scaffolding Questions

- If you created a table to help solve the problem, what patterns do you notice in your table?
- What ratios compare the numbers in the data?
- How much money does just one student earn?
- What is the relationship between kilograms and dollars?
- How are ratios, decimals, and percentages the same?
- How much did the club raise collecting seeds?
- How much money does the club need to reach this year's goal?
- What makes a proportion?
- What would the data look like in a graph?

### Sample Solutions

1. A table may be created to help solve the problem.

#### Buffalo grass seed

<b>Students</b>	1	2	3	4	5	$5 \times 3 = 15$
<b>Kilograms</b>	2	4	6	8	10	$10 \times 3 = 30$
<b>Dollars</b>	40	80	120	160	200	$200 \times 3 = 600$

If five students collect 10 kg of seed, they earn \$200; therefore, 15 students will earn \$600. Another approach is to note from the information in the problem that the ratio of the amount of money to the number of students is

$$\frac{\$20}{1 \text{ kilogram}} \times \frac{2 \text{ kilograms}}{1 \text{ student}} = \frac{\$40}{1 \text{ student}}$$

Multiply 1 in the form of  $\frac{15}{15}$  to increase the number of students to 15.

$$\frac{\$40}{1 \text{ student}} \times \frac{15}{15} = \frac{\$120}{15 \text{ students}}$$

2. The ratio of amount of money in dollars to the number of kilograms is as follows: The club earns 20 dollars for every kilogram of seed collected. Yes, this is a proportional relationship. There is a constant of proportionality of \$20 per kilogram. If the student collects zero kilograms, the student earns zero dollars. On a line graph, the data would show a straight line that goes through the origin.

A rule may be created for the amount of money earned. The number of kilograms times \$20 equals  $y$ , the amount of money earned.

$$20n = y$$

3. The ratio of the amount of money earned to the number of students was shown in problem 1.

$$\frac{\$20}{1 \text{ kilogram}} \times \frac{2 \text{ kilograms}}{1 \text{ student}} = \frac{\$40}{1 \text{ student}}$$

The ratio is a constant. Therefore, this is a proportional relationship.

The relationship may be described using the following rule:  $y = 40s$ , where  $y$  is the amount of money earned and  $s$  is the number of students.

4. Students in class may compare \$600 with \$1,000 and simplify to \$60 for every \$100, resulting in 60%. A proportion could be used to show 60%.

$$\frac{\$600}{\$1,000} = \frac{x}{100\%}$$

Students may also see the ratio \$600 to \$1,000 as a division problem. The quotient 0.60 converts to 60%.

5. Each student collected 2 kilograms, worth \$40. The \$40 may be compared to \$600, the total amount earned by the club.

Students may set up the ratio \$40 to \$600 and divide,

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.



resulting in approximately 0.067. When the decimal is converted to a percentage, the answer is 6.7%.

$$\frac{\$40}{\$600} = 0.0\overline{66} = 6\frac{2}{3}\%$$

### Extension Question

- The science teacher finds a price list for seed collections by the individual seed. If coma shrub seeds are 5 cents per seed, how many seeds must each student collect to earn the same amount as with the buffalo grass?

*The student may solve by dividing \$40 by \$.05, resulting in 800 seeds. Another strategy may be to think of the ratio of nickels to dollars. If 1 dollar has 20 nickels, then 40 dollars equals 800 nickels. To earn 800 nickels the student has to collect 800 seeds, since the ratio is a nickel to 1 coma seed.*

### Resources used in this section

South Texas Natives, [www.southtexasnatives.org](http://www.southtexasnatives.org)

## Working Smarter grade 7

A simple machine with ropes and pulleys gives a worker a mechanical advantage when doing work. Using this device, even a baby can lift an elephant. The number of strands of rope affects the force needed to lift a weight. In the table below, the force pulling on the rope is a person's body weight.

**Mechanical advantage**

# of rope strands	1	2	3	4	5	6
Force (body weight lbs.)	1,500	750	500	375	300	250
Weight lifted (lbs.)	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Mechanical advantage	1.00	.5	$.33\frac{1}{3}$	.25	.2	$.16\frac{2}{3}$

1. Analyze the table above for patterns. Study the ratios of weight lifted to the force (body weight) and make a conclusion and a rule about this relationship.
2. What is the relationship between the force (body weight) and the lifted weight? Is the relationship proportional? Explain why or why not. Make a rule that describes this relationship.
3. Calculate the missing data in the table below using 150 pounds of body weight.

**Mechanical advantage**

# of rope strands	1	2	3	4	5	6
Force (body weight lbs.)						
Weight lifted (lbs.)						
Mechanical advantage	1.00	.5	$.33\frac{1}{3}$	.25	.2	$.16\frac{2}{3}$

4. Demonstrate how you can use your mechanical advantage by writing a problem situation requiring the use of the data in your table.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Picture of ropes and pulleys (optional)

### Connections to TEKS

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(A) generate formulas involving conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

(C) describe the relationship between the terms in a sequence and their positions in the sequence

(7.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses equations to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(B) formulate a possible problem situation when given a simple equation

### Scaffolding Questions

- What are the patterns in the table?
- How do the ropes and pulleys help to do work?
- What is mechanical advantage?
- How do the sequences in the table support the use of ropes and pulleys?
- Do all the numbers change in the data? Why or why not?
- What determines the set-up of a ratio?
- What rule develops from each sequence?
- How is mechanical advantage computed?
- What are the different ways to express ratios?
- How are ratios in decimal form converted to common fraction form?
- What relationships exist between mechanical advantage and other numbers in the table?
- What units of measurement are used to measure body weight?
- Does the type of unit used for weight affect the mechanical advantage ratio?

### Sample Solutions

1. Patterns found include
  - The rope strands increase by one.
  - The weight to be lifted stays the same.
  - The ratio of weight lifted to rope strands is equal to the force (body weight in lbs).
  - The ratio of force (body weight) to weight lifted is equal to the mechanical advantage.

Some sample ratios are

$$\frac{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}}{1,500 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}} = \frac{1}{1} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}}{750 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}} = \frac{2}{1} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}}{500 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}} = \frac{3}{1}$$

Conclusion: The values of the simplified ratios are the number of strands of rope.

The rule showing this relationship would be the weight lifted to the force (body weight in lbs) is equal to the number of strands of ropes.

$$\frac{\text{weight lifted}}{\text{force (body weight)}} = \text{number of strands of rope and pulleys needed}$$

2. Some sample ratios are

$$\frac{750 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}}{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{500 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}}{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{375 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}}{1,500 \text{ lbs weight lifted}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Conclusion: The ratio force (body weight in lbs) to weight lifted equals the mechanical advantage. The rule that describes the relationship is

$$\frac{\text{amount of force (body weight lbs)}}{\text{weight lifted (lbs)}} = \text{mechanical advantage}$$

This ratio is not constant. The relationship is not a proportional relationship.

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

3.

### Mechanical advantage

<b>Rope strands</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>Force (body weight lbs)</b>	150	150	150	150	150	150
<b>Weight (lbs)</b>	150	300	450	600	760	900
<b>Mechanical advantage</b>	1	.5	$.33\frac{1}{3}$	.25	.2	$.16\frac{2}{3}$

4. A mechanic who weighs 180 pounds needs to lift a motor weighing 300 pounds. If he uses ropes and pulleys, what is the least amount of strands he needs to use to be able to lift the motor?

$$\frac{300 \text{ lbs weight to be lifted}}{180 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}} \approx \frac{1.67}{1}$$

The mechanic needs to use at least two strands of rope to be able to lift the motor.

### Extension Questions

- Ramon and Jamal must lift a block weighing 500 pounds. They have enough rope to set up two strands. Ramon weighs 125 pounds. What does Jamal's weight have to be for the two to perform the task?

$$\frac{500 \text{ lbs weight to be lifted}}{2 \text{ strands}} = 250 \text{ lbs force (body weight)}$$

*The sum of Jamal's weight and Ramon's weight needs to be equal to or greater than 250 pounds.*

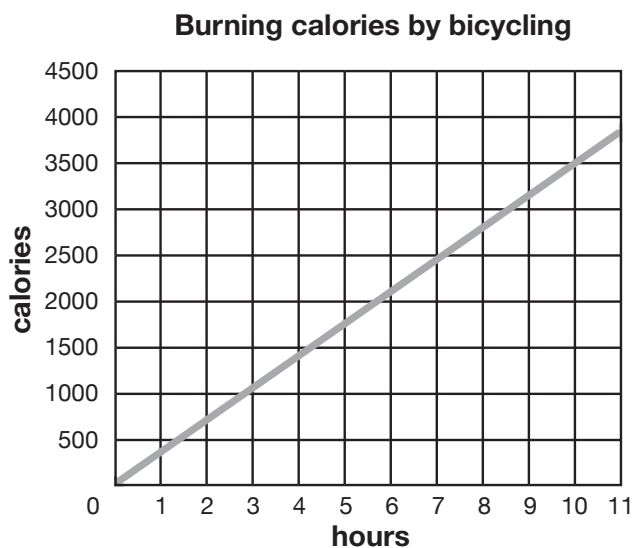
$$250 - 125 = 125$$

*Jamal's weight needs to be equal to or greater than 125 pounds.*

## Fast Food Workout grade 8

Fast food has become a part of the busy American lifestyle. Experts point out that fast food is often high in calories.

Kala eats fast food often. To maintain her weight, Kala exercises on her bicycle. She knows one hour of bicycling burns many calories. Kala also knows a female should eat about 2,000 calories per day to maintain her weight.



**Bicycle exercise**

Number of hours	Calories burned
2	700
4	1,400
6	2,100
8	2,800

1. Is the relationship shown above proportional? How do you know? What does the point (10, 3500) mean? Write a rule to show the relationship between the number of hours on a bicycle and the number of calories burned.
2. Kala will go bicycling three days a week for one hour a day. Predict how many calories she will burn in a week. Explain your reasoning.
3. How long does Kala have to ride her bicycle to burn up calories from a hamburger, fries, and a soda? The meal totals 1,166 calories. Explain your reasoning.
4. If Kala eats an average of 2,100 calories per day, how many hours per week does she need to bicycle to maintain her weight? Explain your reasoning.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

Straight edge

### Connections to TEKS

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

### Scaffolding Questions

- What points on the graph can be read without estimation?
- Which is the independent variable and which is the dependent variable?
- How does time affect the calories burned?
- How can you evaluate the situation for proportionality?
- How does the line graph support or not support a proportional relationship?
- What is the rate Kala burns up calories by bicycling?
- How does a rule help predict an outcome?

### Sample Solutions

1. The relationship between the number of calories burned and the number of hours is proportional because the graph is a line graph that goes through the origin. The rate of change is the same for each hour. The data in the table needs to be studied to find the rate of calories burned in one hour. Any ratio of the number of calories burned to the number of hours may be simplified into 350 calories per hour.

$$\frac{700 \text{ calories}}{2 \text{ hours}} = \frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} = 350 \text{ calories per hour}$$

$$\frac{1400 \text{ calories}}{4 \text{ hours}} = \frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} = 350 \text{ calories per hour}$$

$$\frac{2100 \text{ calories}}{6 \text{ hours}} = \frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} = 350 \text{ calories per hour}$$

$$\frac{2800 \text{ calories}}{8 \text{ hours}} = \frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} = 350 \text{ calories per hour}$$

The point (10, 3500) means 10 hours of bicycling burns 3,500 calories.

Kala burns 350 calories in one hour. The total number of calories burned is 350 calories per hour times the

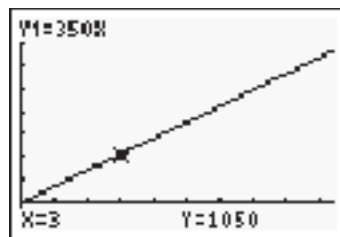
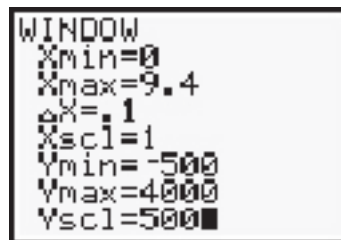
number of hours. The rule for the total number of calories,  $y$ , is equal to 350 times the number of hours exercised,  $x$ .

$$y = 350x$$

2. The student may use the table to find that the value is halfway between 2 and 4 hours. There are 350 calories burned per hour.

$$700 + 350 = 1,050 \text{ or } 1400 - 350 = 1,050$$

Another strategy is to enter the rule in a graphing calculator, create a graph, and trace to  $x = 3$  hours to get the  $y$ -value, the calories burned.



The student may substitute 3 hours for  $x$  in the rule.

$$y = 350(3)$$

$$y = 1,050$$

When  $x$  is 3 hours, then  $y$  is 1,050 calories.

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(B) use an algebraic expression to find any term in a sequence

### Connection to the TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.



3. The student may substitute the value of 1,166 in the rule.

$$y = 350x$$

$$1,166 = 350x$$

$$1,166 \div 350 = x$$

$$x = 3\frac{1}{3} \text{ hours}$$

Another strategy might be to use the ratio

$$\frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} = \frac{700 \text{ calories}}{2 \text{ hours}} = \frac{1050 \text{ calories}}{3 \text{ hours}} = \frac{1400 \text{ calories}}{4 \text{ hours}}$$

Because 1,166 calories is between 1,050 calories, the amount for 3 hours, and 1,400 calories, the amount for 4 hours, Kala must exercise between 3 and 4 hours.

4. If Kala is to maintain her weight, she must exercise two hours per week. A table may help organize the information for the solution.

**Calories consumed in one week**

								<b>Total</b>
<b>Day</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7
<b>Calories per day</b>	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	14,700
<b>Extra calories</b>	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700

To find how many hours of bicycling it takes to burn up 700 calories, the student may substitute 700 into the rule.

$$y = 350x$$

$$700 = 350x$$

$$\frac{700}{350} = \frac{350}{350}x$$

$$2 = x$$

$$x = 2 \text{ hours}$$

Another strategy is to look at the original table and see that 700 calories is the amount for 2 hours.

### Extension Questions

- To lose a pound, Kala must burn up 3,500 calories. If she keeps the same workout schedule, how many days must she exercise to lose one pound?

*The ratio may be used to determine the number of hours.*

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{350 \text{ calories}}{1 \text{ hour}} &= \frac{3500 \text{ calories}}{x \text{ hours}} \\ \frac{350 \text{ calories} \cdot 10}{1 \text{ hour} \cdot 10} &= \frac{3500 \text{ calories}}{x \text{ hours}} \\ \frac{3500 \text{ calories}}{10 \text{ hours}} &= \frac{3500 \text{ calories}}{x \text{ hours}} \\ x &= 10 \text{ hours}\end{aligned}$$

*It takes ten hours of bicycling to lose one pound. If she exercises for one hour per day, Kala must exercise for 10 days.*

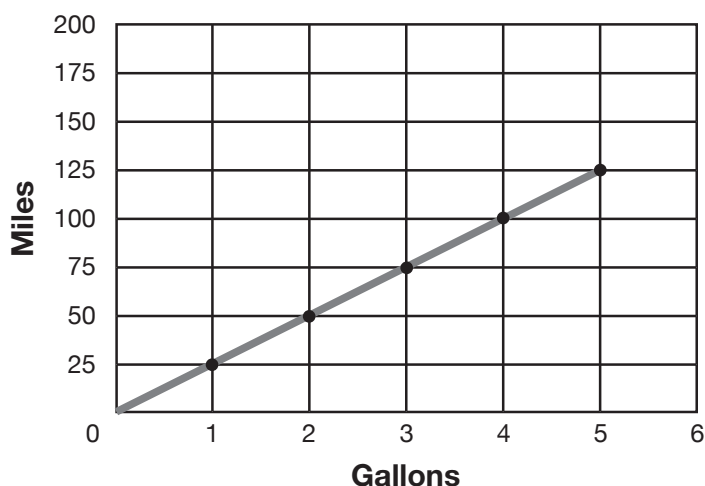


## Global Warming: Texas-Size grade 8

The burning of fossil fuels such as gasoline is one way carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, is added to the atmosphere. Carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) traps the earth's heat and contributes to global warming. Texas leads the nation in emissions of greenhouse gases. With millions of vehicles on the road, carbon dioxide is a Texas-size problem. Each time a vehicle burns one gallon of gasoline, it produces about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide,  $\text{CO}_2$ .

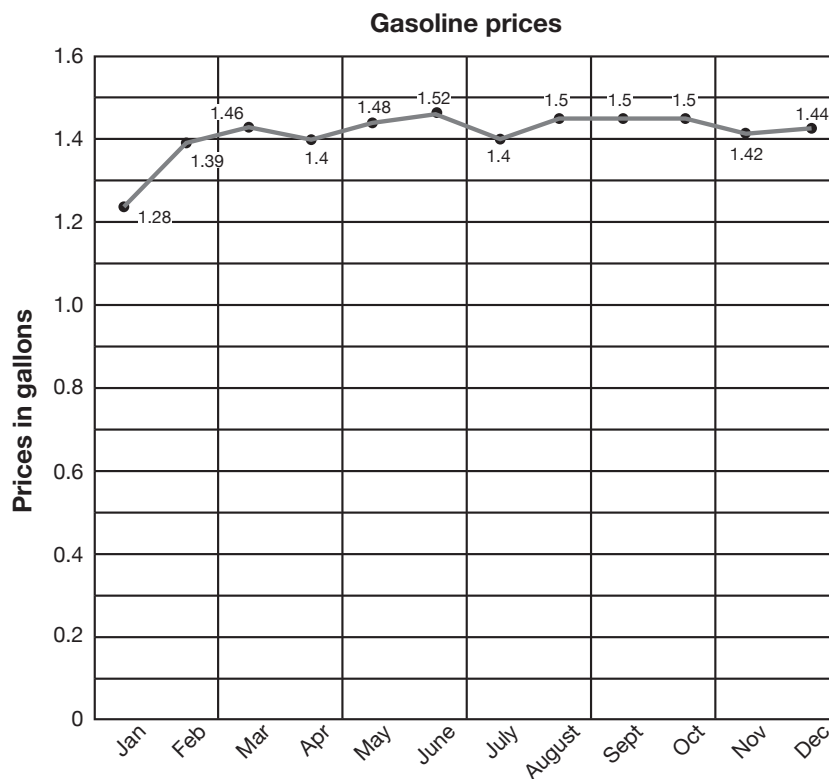
1. Is this relationship proportional? How do you know? Write a rule to show the relationship between the number of gallons burned and the  $\text{CO}_2$  produced. How many pounds of  $\text{CO}_2$  are given off by burning 5 gallons of gas? Explain your reasoning.
2. The graph below shows the relationship between the number of miles traveled and the number of gallons of gasoline used.

**Average mileage per gallon in Texas**



In Texas, the average driver travels 12,000 miles per year. What is the carbon dioxide emission in one year? Show your solution steps.

3. Look at gasoline prices for one year; use the information from problem 2 to project the cost of driving a car for one year. Justify your answer.



4. Compare graphs from problem 2 and problem 3. Explain if they show a proportional relationship.



## Materials

Graphing calculator

Ruler

## Connections to TEKS

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(A) compare and contrast proportional and non-proportional relationships

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What is the ratio of gallons to pounds of carbon dioxide?
- What other ratios are in the table?
- What patterns help create the equation?
- What clues determine the operations to use in the rule?
- What kind of relationship is illustrated on the line graph?
- What rate of change does the graph express?
- How are the independent variable and the dependent variable determined?
- What are some visual clues of proportionality on a graph?
- How can a ruler assist in reading a graph?

### Sample Solutions

1. There is a constant rate of change; for every 1 gallon of gasoline burned, 20 pounds of  $\text{CO}_2$  are produced. If 0 gallons of gasoline are burned, then no  $\text{CO}_2$  is produced. Therefore, there is a proportional relationship between the gallons burned and the pollution produced.

The number of pounds of  $\text{CO}_2$  is equal to 20 pounds per gallon times the number of gallons. A rule for this proportion could be written as  $p = 20g$ , where  $g$  is the gallons and  $p$  is the pounds of  $\text{CO}_2$ .

The rule may be used to determine the number of pounds when the number of gallons is 5.

$$p = 20g$$

$$p = 20(5) = 100$$

One hundred pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> are produced by burning 5 gallons of gasoline.

The ratio could also be used to answer the question. Multiply by 5 to make the number of gallons be 5 gallons.

$$\frac{20 \text{ pounds}}{1 \text{ gallon}} = \frac{20 \text{ pounds} \cdot 5}{1 \text{ gallon} \cdot 5} = \frac{100 \text{ pounds}}{5 \text{ gallons}}$$

2. The graph is a straight line that passes through the origin. There is a constant rate of change.

25 miles for 1 gallon

50 miles for 2 gallons

75 miles for 3 gallons

100 miles for 4 gallons

125 miles for 5 gallons

The rate is 25 miles per gallon.

Proportions may be used to find the number of gallons for 1,200 miles.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{25 \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ gallon}} &= \frac{12,000 \text{ miles}}{x \text{ gallons}} \\ \frac{25 \text{ miles} \times 480}{1 \text{ gallon} \times 480} &= \frac{12,000 \text{ miles}}{480 \text{ gallons}} \end{aligned}$$

The driver uses 480 gallons in one year.

To find the number of pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>, use the rule  $p = 20g$  when  $g$  is 480 gallons.

$$p = 20(480) = 9,600$$

Therefore, 9,600 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> would be produced in one year.

3. The student finds the average of the cost of gasoline for the year. The sum of the price of gas for 12 months, \$17.29, is divided by 12 months. The mean is about \$1.44 per gallon. The information from problem 2 helps

predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(B) use an algebraic expression to find any term in a sequence

### Connections to TAKS

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.



with this solution. From problem 2, the student gathers that the yearly total is 480 gallons.

$$\frac{\$1.44 \times 480}{1 \text{ gallon} \times 480} = \frac{\$691.20}{480 \text{ gallons}} \quad \text{The driver spends \$691.20 to buy 480 gallons of gas.}$$

4. The graph in problem 2 is a proportion because the line goes through the origin (0, 0) and it has a constant rate of change; the ratio is

25 miles : 1 gallon of gasoline

The graph in problem 3 is not a straight line and does not go through the origin (0, 0). The comparison of gasoline prices is not proportional. There is not a constant rate of change among the prices of gasoline over the months.

### Extension Questions

- A large Douglas fir tree takes in 16,000 pounds of carbon dioxide per year. How many trees can counteract the car emission of 10,000 pounds of carbon dioxide?

$$\frac{16,000 \text{ pounds carbon dioxide}}{1 \text{ tree}} = \frac{10,000 \text{ pounds carbon dioxide}}{x}$$

$$\frac{16,000 \text{ pounds carbon dioxide} \times .63}{1 \text{ tree} \times .63} \approx \frac{10,000}{.63}$$

so it takes approximately 1 tree

*One Douglas fir tree can counteract 10,000 pounds of carbon dioxide.*

### Resources used in this section

Environmental Protection Agency, [www.epa.gov/OMSWWW/](http://www.epa.gov/OMSWWW/)

Public Citizen, [www.citizen.org/pressroom/release.cfm?ID=524](http://www.citizen.org/pressroom/release.cfm?ID=524)

**Chapter 3:**  
*Geometry and  
Spatial Reasoning*



# By the Sea

## grade 6

### OVERARCHING BY THE SEA

Tourists spot a family of whales swimming off the coast of California. They first spot the mother whale, Millie. Willie, the father whale, is behind Millie. Billie, the baby whale, trails behind.

- Use the list of coordinates and instructions below to draw each family member. Connect points with lines as you graph.

		Millie	Willie	Billie
Point	A	(1, 6)	(2, 18)	(.5, 1)
	B	(1, 8)	(2, 22)	(.5, 2)
	C	(2, 9)	(4, 24)	(1, 2.5)
	D	(1, 10)	(2, 26)	(.5, 3)
	E	(1, 12)	(2, 30)	(.5, 4)
	F	(3, 10)	(6, 26)	(1.5, 3)
	G	(4, 10)	(8, 26)	(2, 3)
	H	(6, 15)	(12, 36)	(3, 5.5)
	I	(11, 15)	(22, 36)	(5.5, 5.5)
	J	(13, 12)	(26, 30)	(6.5, 4)
	K	(13, 8)	(26, 22)	(6.5, 2)
	L	(3, 8)	(6, 22)	(1.5, 2)
		(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)
		(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
	M	(11, 10)	(22, 26)	(5.5, 3)
	N	(12, 9)	(24, 24)	(6, 2.5)
	O	(13, 9)	(26, 24)	(6.5, 2.5)
	(start over)	(start over)	(start over)	
P	(10, 12)	(20, 30)	(5, 4)	

2. Find the body lengths for each family member. Describe how you determined the length.

Whale	Head $\overline{HI}$	Belly $\overline{LK}$	Nose $\overline{JO}$	Tail $\overline{AB}$
Millie				
Willie				
Billie				

3. Compare the body lengths of the three whales from problem 2 using ratios and explain what each ratio means.
4. The length of Millie's mouth is 2.4 units. Explain how to find the length of Willie's mouth.



# Teacher Notes

## Materials

- Grid paper
- Straight edge
- Ruler
- Scissors
- String

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to identify location in two dimensions.

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships.

(A) uses ratios to describe proportional situations

(C) uses ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

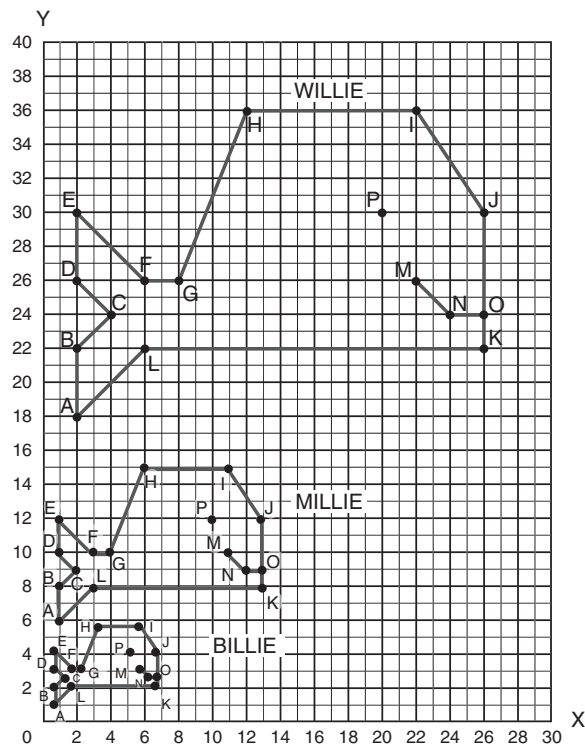
(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models.

## Scaffolding Questions

- Which number in the ordered pair represents the x-value? The y-value?
- What information does the first number in each ordered pair indicate?
- What information does the second number in each ordered pair indicate?
- How would you find the length of a horizontal segment on a grid?
- How would you find the length of a vertical segment on a grid?
- What is a ratio?
- How would you describe the relationship between the body lengths of Millie and Willie? Of Millie and Billie? Of Willie and Billie?

## Sample Solutions

1.



Label the axes on the grid. Label the scale used on each axis. Name each figure on the grid: Willie, Millie, and Billie.

- The number of units for each segment can be found by counting. Another method would be to find the absolute value of the difference between the  $y$ -values for a vertical segment or the absolute value of the difference between the  $x$ -values for a horizontal segment as shown below.

Head  $\overline{HI}$  for Millie: H (6, 15) I (11, 15)

$$HI = |11 - 6| \text{ or } |6 - 11|$$

$$HI = 5$$

Tail  $\overline{AB}$  for Willie: A (2, 18) B (2, 22)

$$AB = |22 - 18| \text{ or } |18 - 22|$$

$$AB = 4$$

Whale	Head $\overline{HI}$	Belly $\overline{LK}$	Nose $\overline{JO}$	Tail $\overline{AB}$
Millie	5	10	3	2
Willie	10	20	6	4
Billie	2.5	5	1.5	1

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.



3. The following ratios describe some of the relationships between the designated body lengths for pairs of whales.

#### Head comparisons

$$\text{Millie to Willie: } \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Millie to Billie: } \frac{5}{2.5} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\text{Willie to Billie: } \frac{10}{2.5} = \frac{4}{1}$$

#### Belly comparisons

$$\text{Millie to Willie: } \frac{10}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Millie to Billie: } \frac{10}{5} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\text{Willie to Billie: } \frac{20}{5} = \frac{4}{1}$$

#### Nose comparisons

$$\text{Millie to Willie: } \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Millie to Billie: } \frac{3}{1.5} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\text{Willie to Billie: } \frac{6}{1.5} = \frac{4}{1}$$

#### Tail comparisons

$$\text{Millie to Willie: } \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Millie to Billie: } \frac{2}{1} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\text{Willie to Billie: } \frac{4}{1} = \frac{4}{1}$$

The ratios comparing Millie and Willie's body lengths show that Millie has dimensions that are half the corresponding dimensions of Willie. The ratios comparing corresponding body lengths of Millie and Billie show that Millie's dimensions are twice those of Billie. The ratios comparing body lengths of Willie and Billie show that Willie's dimensions are 4 times the corresponding dimensions of Billie.

4. Willie's dimensions are twice the corresponding dimensions of Millie. If Millie's mouth is 2.4 units long, then Willie's mouth is twice as long, or 2 times 2.4 units. Willie's mouth is 4.8 units long.

#### Extension Questions

- Tourists spot another whale. This whale is Tillie, a cousin to the whale family. Tillie has dimensions that are three times the corresponding dimensions of Millie. How long is Tillie's belly?

*The ratio comparing the length of Tillie's belly and the length of Millie's belly is 3 to 1. If Millie's belly is 10 units long, then Tillie's belly is 3 times as long. Tillie's belly is 30 units long.*

- Use a ratio to describe the relationship between the length of Tillie's tail and the length of Billie's tail.

*The length of Millie's tail is 2 units. The ratio comparing the length of Tillie's tail to the length of Millie's tail is 3 to 1. This means that the length of Tillie's tail is three times the length of Millie's tail or 6 units long. Billie's tail is one unit long; therefore, the ratio of Tillie's tail length to Billie's tail length is 6 to 1.*

## By the Sea grade 7

Tourists spot a family of whales swimming off the coast of California. They first spot the mother whale, Millie. Willie, the father whale, is close by. Billie, the baby whale, trails behind.

- Use the list of coordinates and instructions below to draw the whale family on grid paper. Connect points with line segments as you graph.

		Millie	Willie	Billie
<b>Point</b>	A	(11, 14)	(1, -19)	(-7.5, 4)
	B	(11, 16)	(1, -15)	(-7.5, 5)
	C	(12, 17)	(3, -13)	(-7, 5.5)
	D	(11, 18)	(1, -11)	(-7.5, 6)
	E	(11, 20)	(1, -7)	(-7.5, 7)
	F	(13, 18)	(5, -11)	(-6.5, 6)
	G	(14, 18)	(7, -11)	(-6, 6)
	H	(16, 23)	(11, -1)	(-5, 8.5)
	I	(21, 23)	(21, -1)	(-2.5, 8.5)
	J	(23, 20)	(25, -7)	(-1.5, 7)
	K	(23, 16)	(25, -15)	(-1.5, 5)
	L	(13, 16)	(5, -15)	(-6.5, 5)
		(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)
		(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
	M	(21, 18)	(21, -11)	(-2.5, 6)
	N	(22, 17)	(23, -13)	(-2, 5.5)
	O	(23, 17)	(25, -13)	(-1.5, 5.5)
		(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
P	(20, 20)	(19, -8)	(-3, 7)	

2. Find the body lengths for each family member. Describe how you determined the length.

Whale	Head $\overline{HI}$	Belly $\overline{LK}$	Nose $\overline{JO}$	Tail $\overline{AB}$
Millie				
Willie				
Billie				

3. Are the shapes that represent the members of the whale family similar? Justify your answer.
4. Billie wants to swim to his mom, Millie. Translate Billie so that vertex H is moved from coordinates  $(-5, 8.5)$  to coordinates  $(6, 8.5)$ . Explain how to translate Billie to his new position in the coordinate plane. Name Billie's new coordinates and plot the points to relocate Billie. How did this translation affect the original coordinates of the figure?
5. Willie wants to join his family. Translate Willie so that vertex H is moved from coordinates  $(11, -1)$  to coordinates  $(11, 6)$ . Describe how to translate Willie to his new location in the coordinate plane. Name Willie's new coordinates and plot the points to relocate Willie. What effect did this translation have on the original coordinates of the figure?
6. Tourists spot another whale, Tillie. This whale is a cousin to the whale family. Tillie is three times as long as Millie. Explain how to find the length of Tillie's belly.



## Materials

Calculator

Half-centimeter grid paper

Scissors

Tracing paper

Straight edge

Ruler

Strips of paper about 20 inches long and 1 inch wide

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student compares and classifies shapes and solids using geometric vocabulary and properties. The student:

(D) uses critical attributes to define similarity

(7.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to describe location on a plane. The student:

(A) locates and names points on a coordinate plane using ordered pairs of integers

(B) graphs translations on a coordinate plane

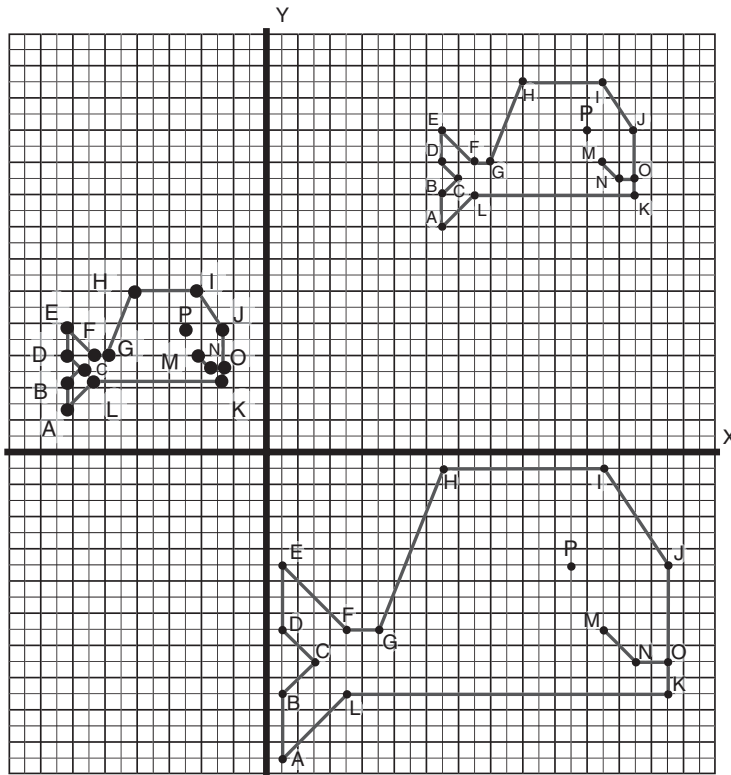
## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What makes two figures similar?
- How could you show that two whales are similar?
- How do corresponding angles of the whale family compare? Why?
- How do corresponding sides of the whale family compare?
- How do you locate ordered pairs on a coordinate graph?
- What does it mean to translate a figure?
- Describe how you would translate a figure 3 units to the right in the coordinate plane. How does this translation affect the coordinates  $(x, y)$  of the figure?
- How would you translate a figure 2 units up in the coordinate plane? How does this affect the coordinates  $(x, y)$  of the figure?
- How does a translation affect the length of the sides of a figure? The angles of a figure?

## Sample Solutions

1.



2. The length of selected segments in the whale figures is given in the table below:

Whale	Head $\overline{HI}$	Belly $\overline{LK}$	Nose $\overline{JO}$	Tail $\overline{AB}$
Millie	5	10	3	2
Willie	10	20	6	4
Billie	2.5	5	1.5	1

(6.7) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student:

(B) estimates and finds solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.

3. The shapes of all members of the whale family are similar. The dimensions of Willie are twice the corresponding dimensions of Millie and 4 times the corresponding dimensions of Billie, as shown in the table above. The ratio of corresponding sides for any two of the whales in this family can be shown to be equivalent.

For example,

Millie's head length : Willie's head length

5 : 10

Millie's belly length : Willie's belly length

10 : 20

Millie's nose length : Willie's nose length

3 : 6

Millie's tail length : Willie's tail length

2 : 4

The ratios 5 : 10, 10 : 20, 3 : 6, and 2 : 4 are all equivalent to 1 : 2. A comparison of the lengths of other corresponding sides of the whale figures for Millie and Willie will also have a ratio of 1 : 2. This ratio of 1 : 2 means that all the side lengths of Millie are half the corresponding side lengths of Willie, or all the side lengths of Willie are twice the corresponding side lengths of Millie. Therefore, the corresponding sides of the two figures (Willie and Millie) are proportional.

The corresponding interior angles have the same measurement. This can be verified by comparing the measures of the angles using tracing paper. Trace one angle of Willie on tracing paper and place the angle over the corresponding angle of Millie. Continue this process of tracing each angle of Willie's figure and comparing with the corresponding angle in Millie's figure. Angle measurement comparisons can also be made using a protractor.

This process can be repeated for angle comparisons of Willie and Billie.

Willie's head length : Billie's head length

10 : 2.5

Willie's belly length : Billie's belly length

20 : 5

Willie's nose length : Billie's nose length

6 : 1.5

Willie's tail length : Billie's tail length

4 : 1

Each of these ratios is equivalent to 4 : 1. The length of a measure on Willie is four times the length of a corresponding measure on Billie.

The table below shows that the ratio of a length for Millie to a corresponding length for Billie is equivalent to 2 : 1.

Millie's head length : Billie's head length

5 : 2.5

Millie's belly length : Billie's belly length

10 : 5

Millie's nose length : Billie's nose length

3 : 1.5

Millie's tail length : Billie's tail length

2 : 1

It should also be noted that when all the sides of a given figure are scaled up or down by the same scale factor, the resulting figure is similar to the original. Corresponding angle measurements remain the same, and corresponding sides are in proportion.

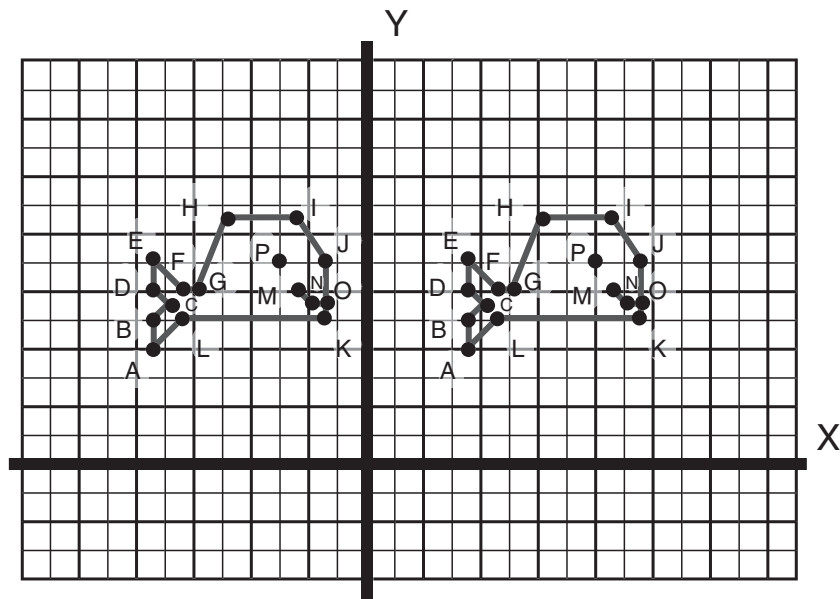
4. If the point  $(-5, 8.5)$  is translated to the point  $(6, 8.5)$ , the point has been moved to the right a distance of  $6 - (-5)$ , or 11 units. Each vertex will move 11 units to the right. Billie's new coordinates are shown below. In this translation, 11 was added to the  $x$ -coordinate of the original ordered pairs. For example, point A in the original figure was  $(-7.5, 4)$  and became  $(-7.5 + 11, 4)$ , or  $(3.5, 4)$  in the translation. By adding 11 to the  $x$ -coordinate  $-7.5$ , the new  $x$ -coordinate 3.5 is determined. The  $y$ -coordinate of the new point remained the same as the corresponding  $y$ -coordinate of the original point on the figure. A rule for translating Billie's figure 11 units to the right in the coordinate plane can be expressed as follows:

*For every point on Billie's figure with coordinates  $(x, y)$ , add 11 to the  $x$ -coordinate and leave the  $y$ -coordinate the same.*

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x + 11, y)$$

		Billie
Point	A	$(3.5, 4)$
	B	$(3.5, 5)$
	C	$(4, 5.5)$
	D	$(3.5, 6)$
	E	$(3.5, 7)$
	F	$(4.5, 6)$
	G	$(5, 6)$
	H	$(6, 8.5)$
	I	$(8.5, 8.5)$
	J	$(9.5, 7)$
	K	$(9.5, 5)$
	L	$(4.5, 5)$
		(connect L to A)
		(start over)
	M	$(8.5, 6)$
	N	$(9, 5.5)$
O	$(9.5, 5.5)$	
	(start over)	
P	$(8, 7)$	



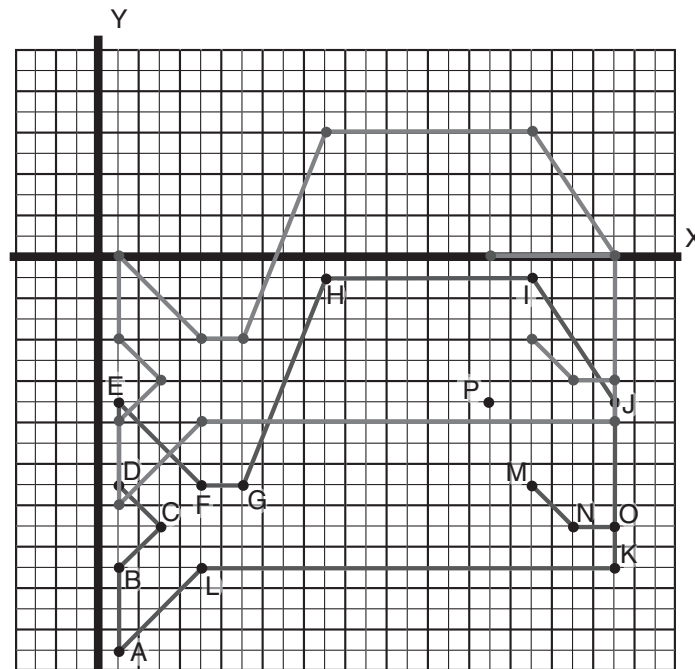


5. If the point  $(11, -1)$  is translated to the point  $(11, 6)$ , the point has been moved up a distance of  $6 - (-1)$ , or 7 units. Each vertex will move 7 units up. Willie's new coordinates of the vertices are given in the table below. Each new coordinate is found by adding 7 to the original  $y$ -coordinate. For example, 7 was added to the  $y$ -coordinate  $-13$  of point C to get a new  $y$ -coordinate of  $-6$ . This vertical translation did not affect the  $x$ -coordinate of point C. A rule for translating Willie in the coordinate plane 7 units up can be expressed as follows:

$$(x, y) \longrightarrow (x, y + 7)$$

Each point on Willie's figure with coordinates  $(x, y)$  is translated 7 units up by keeping the  $x$ -coordinate the same and adding 7 to the  $y$ -coordinate.

	Willie	
Point	A	(1, -12)
	B	(1, -8)
	C	(3, -6)
	D	(1, -4)
	E	(1, 0)
	F	(5, -4)
	G	(7, -4)
	H	(11, 6)
	I	(21, 6)
	J	(25, 0)
	K	(25, -8)
	L	(5, -8)
		(connect L to A)
		(start over)
M	(21, -4)	
N	(23, -6)	
O	(25, -6)	
	(start over)	
P	(19, -1)	



6. Tillie's dimensions are three times the corresponding dimensions of Millie. If Millie's belly is 10 units long, then Tillie's belly is 3 times as long. Tillie's belly is 30 units long.

### Extension Questions

- How do the perimeters of the original figures compare?

*Use the edge of a strip of paper (1 inch wide and 20 inches long) to mark off the length of each side of Willie starting at the tail,  $\overline{ED}$ , with one end of the strip at point E. Then continue marking off consecutive segments along the edge of the paper in a clockwise direction until all segments that form Willie's outline have been marked off. Label this strip of paper "Willie's Perimeter." Take another strip of paper and repeat this procedure to find the perimeter of Millie. Label this second strip of paper "Millie's Perimeter."*

*Cut off excess paper on both strips so that each strip of paper represents the perimeter for each whale figure. Next, compare the lengths of the two strips of paper. The strip of paper representing Willie's perimeter is twice the length of the strip of paper representing Millie's perimeter. This shows that Willie's perimeter is twice Millie's perimeter. The ratio of Willie's perimeter to Millie's perimeter is 2 : 1, the same as the ratio of any two corresponding sides.*

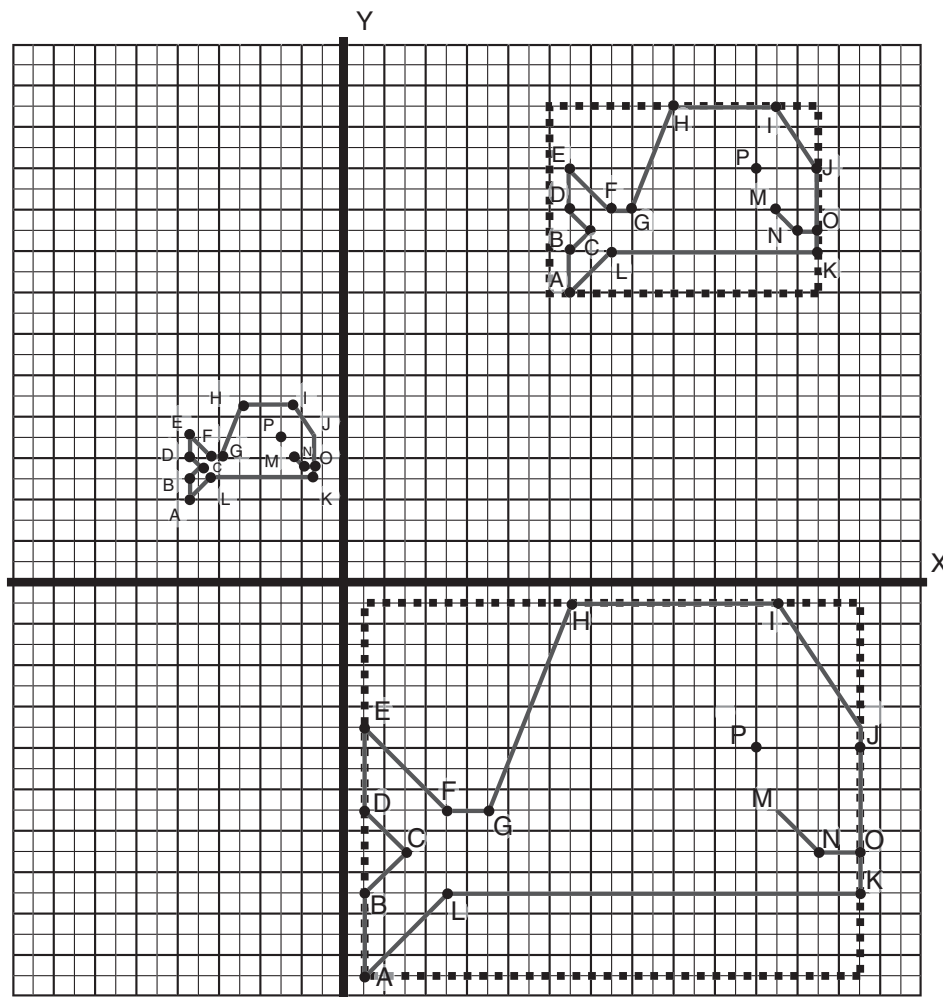
*In a similar way, the perimeter of Willie can be shown to be 4 times the perimeter of Billie; and the perimeter of Billie can be shown to be half the perimeter of Millie. In each situation, the ratio of corresponding perimeters is the same as the ratio of corresponding sides for the similar figures.*

- How do the perimeters of the translated figures compare?

*Since a translated figure is congruent to the original figure, side lengths do not change and perimeters remain the same.*

- How do the areas of the original figures compare?

*To find the area of Willie and Millie, find the area of the rectangle containing each and subtract the areas of the figures not included in the area of Willie and Millie. For example: Extend  $\overline{HI}$ ,  $\overline{OJ}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$  in each of the figures. Draw a horizontal line through point A parallel to line segment HI. The intersections of these lines form a rectangle around each figure.*



Count the number of units to find the length and width of each side of the rectangle containing the figure.

Find the area of each rectangle:

**Area of rectangle containing Willie**

$$A = \text{length} \times \text{width}$$

$$A = 24 \times 18$$

$$A = 432 \text{ square units}$$

**Area of rectangle containing Millie**

$$A = \text{length} \times \text{width}$$

$$A = 12 \times 9$$

$$A = 108 \text{ square units}$$

Next, count the squares and partial squares that are not included in the areas of Willie and Millie. Half squares may be combined to estimate a whole square. An estimate of the number of squares not included in the area of Millie is 44 and of Willie is 176. Subtract the area not included from the area of each rectangle above to find the area of each whale figure.

Willie's area: 432 square units – 176 square units = 256 square units

Millie's area: 108 square units – 44 square units = 64 square units

Since 256 square units is 4 times 64 square units, Willie's area is 4 times the area of Millie. In a similar way, it can be shown that the area of Millie is 4 times the area of Billie and the area of Willie is 16 times the area of Billie. In each case, the ratio of the areas of two whale figures is the square of the ratio of two corresponding sides. For example, the ratio of corresponding sides for Willie and Millie is 2 : 1 and the ratio of corresponding areas is 4 : 1. The ratio of corresponding sides for Willie and Billie is 4 : 1 and the ratio of corresponding areas can be shown to be 16 : 1 or  $4^2 : 1$ .

- How do the areas of the translated figures compare?

*The areas of the translated figures remain the same. This can be verified by tracing the original whale figure on tracing paper and placing it on top of the translated figure to check if the figures will align. The figures are the same size and shape and have the same area.*

## By the Sea grade 8

Tourists spot a family of whales swimming off the coast of California. They first spot the mother whale, Millie. Willie, the father whale, is close by. Billie, the baby whale, trails behind.

- Use the list of coordinates and instructions below to draw Millie on grid paper. Connect points with line segments as you graph. To draw Willie and Billie, use the given rules to find the coordinates of each point. Plot the points to graph Willie and Billie, making sure you connect the points with line segments as you graph.

		Millie	Willie	Billie
	RULE	$(x, y)$	$(2x, 2y)$	$(\frac{1}{2}x, y)$
Point	A	(1, 2)		
	B	(1, 4)		
	C	(2, 5)		
	D	(1, 6)		
	E	(1, 8)		
	F	(3, 6)		
	G	(4, 6)		
	H	(6, 11)		
	I	(11, 11)		
	J	(13, 8)		
	K	(13, 4)		
	L	(3, 4)		
		(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)
		(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
	M	(11, 6)		
	N	(12, 5)		
	O	(13, 5)		
	(start over)	(start over)	(start over)	
P	(10, 8)			

- Compare Millie's coordinates with those of Willie and Billie. What is the relationship between the coordinates of Millie and Willie? Of Millie and Billie?

3. Compare and contrast the shapes of the three whales. What do you observe?
4. Billie becomes playful and does flips in the water. Reflect Billie using the  $x$ -axis as the line of reflection and list the new coordinates. How do these coordinates compare with the original coordinates? Write a rule in words and symbols that reflects a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$  about the  $x$ -axis.
5. Billie continues to play. Now reflect Billie using the  $y$ -axis as the line of reflection and list the new coordinates. How do these new coordinates compare with the previous coordinates? Write a rule in words and symbols for a reflection of a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$  about the  $y$ -axis.





## Materials

Calculator

Half-centimeter grid paper

Tracing paper

Scissors

Ruler

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses transformational geometry to develop spatial sense. The student is expected to:

(A) generate similar shapes using dilations including enlargements and reductions

(B) graph dilations, reflections, and translations on a coordinate plane

(8.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(D) locate and name points on a coordinate plane using ordered pairs of rational numbers

## Teacher Notes

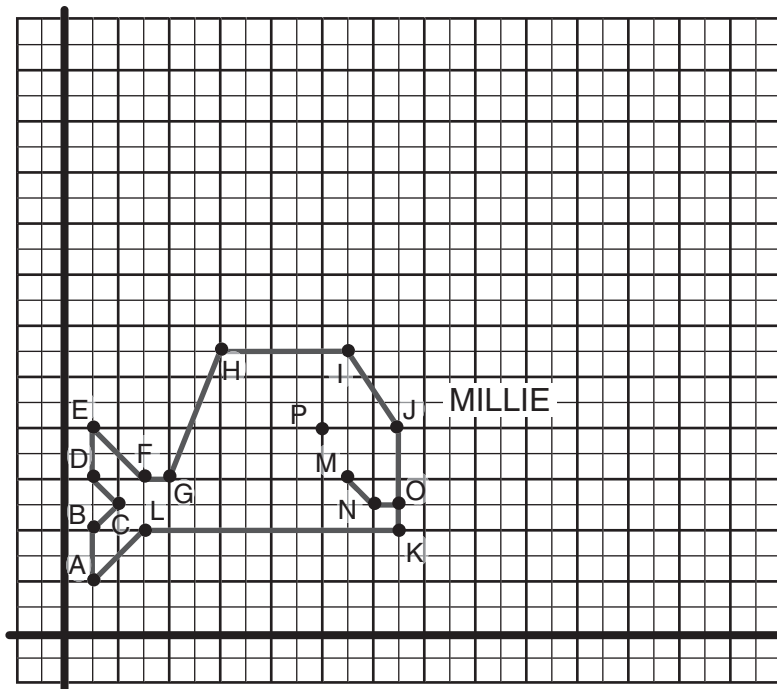
### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you use the rule  $(2x, 2y)$  for finding the coordinates for Willie?
- What does the rule for Billie's coordinates tell you to do?
- What does it mean for two figures to be similar?
- How do the side lengths of Millie and Willie compare? How do the corresponding angles of Millie and Willie compare?
- How do the side lengths of Millie and Billie compare? How do the corresponding angles of Millie and Billie compare?
- How do the side lengths of Willie and Billie compare? How do the corresponding angles of Willie and Billie compare?
- How do you reflect a geometric figure about the  $x$ -axis? The  $y$ -axis?
- How do the original coordinates and corresponding new coordinates compare in a reflection about the  $x$ -axis? About the  $y$ -axis?
- How can you state a rule in words for reflecting a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$  about the  $x$ -axis? About the  $y$ -axis?
- How could you write these rules using symbols?

## Sample Solutions

1.

	Millie	Willie	Billie
RULE	$(x, y)$	$(2x, 2y)$	$(\frac{1}{2}x, y)$
A	(1, 2)	(2, 4)	(.5, 2)
B	(1, 4)	(2, 8)	(.5, 4)
C	(2, 5)	(4, 10)	(1, 5)
D	(1, 6)	(2, 12)	(.5, 6)
E	(1, 8)	(2, 16)	(.5, 8)
F	(3, 6)	(6, 12)	(1.5, 6)
G	(4, 6)	(8, 12)	(2, 6)
H	(6, 11)	(12, 22)	(3, 11)
I	(11, 11)	(22, 22)	(5.5, 11)
J	(13, 8)	(26, 16)	(6.5, 8)
K	(13, 4)	(26, 8)	(6.5, 4)
L	(3, 4)	(6, 8)	(1.5, 4)
	(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)	(connect L to A)
	(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
M	(11, 6)	(22, 12)	(5.5, 6)
N	(12, 5)	(24, 10)	(6, 5)
O	(13, 5)	(26, 10)	(6.5, 5)
	(start over)	(start over)	(start over)
P	(10, 8)	(20, 16)	(5, 8)

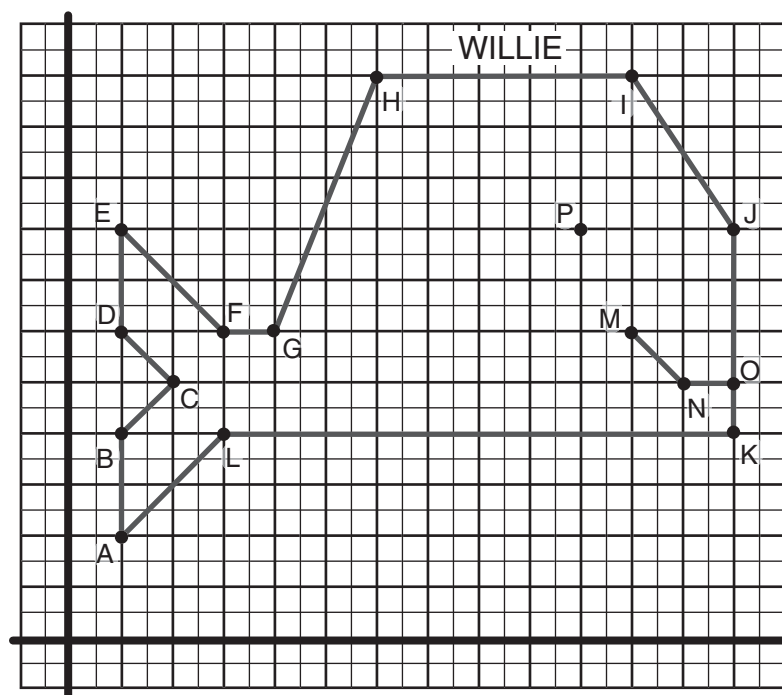
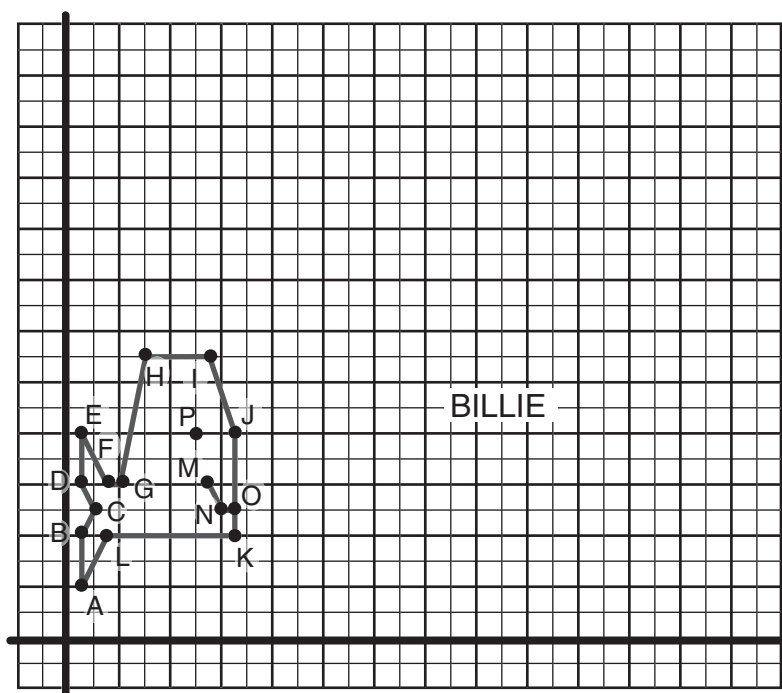


(8.9) Measurement. The student uses indirect measurements to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) use the Pythagorean Theorem to solve real-life problems

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.



2. Using the completed table in problem 1, students see that the coordinates of the points for Willie are two times the coordinates of corresponding points for Millie. The rule used to create Willie  $(2x, 2y)$  states that each coordinate for Millie  $(x, y)$  is multiplied by 2. For Billie, each  $x$ -coordinate is half the corresponding  $x$ -coordinate for Millie. The  $y$ -coordinate does not change. The rule used to create Billie  $(\frac{1}{2}x, y)$  states that each  $x$ -coordinate of Millie is multiplied by  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

3. When comparing the shapes of the whales, measure the lengths of line segments and angles and then examine the relationships of the corresponding measurements to determine if the shapes are similar. To calculate the size of segments that are vertical or horizontal, students can count the number of units to find length. Students can use the Pythagorean Theorem to find the lengths of the slanted segments.

Millie and Willie are similar shapes. Each line segment of Willie is twice the length of the corresponding line segment of Millie, and each corresponding angle is congruent. An example of each type of segment and its corresponding length for Millie and Willie is shown in the table below.

Segment of figure	Millie	Willie
Tail segment AB	Vertical segment 2 units	Vertical segment 4 units
Head segment HI	Horizontal segment 5 units	Horizontal segment 10 units
Forehead segment JI	Slanted segment $2^2 + 3^2 = c^2$ $4 + 9 = c^2$ $13 = c^2$ $\sqrt{13} = c$ $3.6 \approx c$ $c \approx 3.6$ units	Slanted segment $4^2 + 6^2 = c^2$ $16 + 36 = c^2$ $52 = c^2$ $\sqrt{52} = c$ $7.2 \approx c$ $c \approx 7.2$ units

The ratios of corresponding sides of the figures are all 2 units on Willie for every 1 unit on Millie. For example:

$$\frac{\text{length of Willie's tail}}{\text{length of Millie's tail}} = \frac{4 \text{ units}}{2 \text{ units}} = \frac{2 \text{ units}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

$$\frac{\text{length of Willie's head}}{\text{length of Millie's head}} = \frac{10 \text{ units}}{5 \text{ units}} = \frac{2 \text{ units}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

$$\frac{\text{length of Willie's forehead}}{\text{length of Millie's forehead}} \approx \frac{7.2 \text{ units}}{3.6 \text{ units}} = \frac{2 \text{ units}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

The measurements of corresponding angles are equal. This can be verified by using a protractor or tracing paper. For example,  $m\angle H = 112^\circ$  for both Willie and Millie;  $m\angle A = 45^\circ$  for Willie and Millie; and  $m\angle I = 124^\circ$  for both whale figures. Those angles having measures greater than  $180^\circ$  can be verified using tracing paper. Trace the angle of Millie and align with the corresponding angle of Willie.

Because the sides of Millie have been scaled up using a scale factor of 2 to form Willie's figure and corresponding angles are congruent, Millie and Willie are similar whale figures.

On the other hand, Millie and Billie are not similar whale figures. Each line segment of Billie is not proportional to the corresponding line segment of Millie, and each corresponding angle is not congruent. An example of each type of segment and its corresponding length for Millie and Willie is shown in the table below.

Segment of figure	Millie	Billie
Tail segment AB	Vertical segment 2 units	Vertical segment 2 units
Head segment HI	Horizontal segment 5 units	Horizontal segment 2.5 units
Forehead segment JI	Slanted segment $2^2 + 3^2 = c^2$ $4 + 9 = c^2$ $13 = c^2$ $\sqrt{13} = c$ $3.6 \approx c$ $c \approx 3.6$ units	Slanted segment $2^2 + 1.5^2 = c^2$ $4 + 2.25 = c^2$ $6.25 = c^2$ $\sqrt{6.25} = c$ $2.5 \approx c$ $c \approx 2.5$ units

The ratios of corresponding sides of the figures are not equal. For example:

$$\frac{\text{length of Billie's tail}}{\text{length of Millie's tail}} = \frac{2 \text{ units}}{2 \text{ units}} = \frac{1 \text{ unit}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

$$\frac{\text{length of Billie's head}}{\text{length of Millie's head}} = \frac{2.5 \text{ units}}{5 \text{ units}} = \frac{0.5 \text{ units}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

$$\frac{\text{length of Billie's forehead}}{\text{length of Millie's forehead}} \approx \frac{2.5 \text{ units}}{3.6 \text{ units}} = \frac{0.694 \text{ units}}{1 \text{ unit}}$$

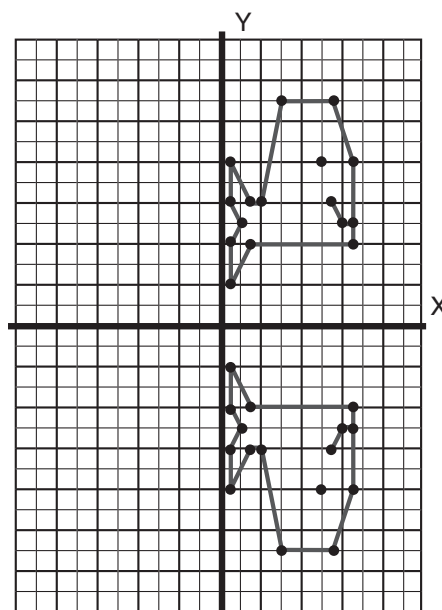
The measures of corresponding angles are not equal. This can be verified by using a protractor or tracing paper. For example,  $m\angle H = 112^\circ$  for Millie, while  $m\angle H = 105^\circ$  for Billie. Likewise, Willie and Billie are not similar whale figures.

- The new coordinates for Billie when reflected about the  $x$ -axis are given in the table below. By comparing these new coordinates to the corresponding coordinates of the original figure, the  $x$ -coordinates are the same. However, the new  $y$ -coordinates are the opposite of the corresponding original  $y$ -coordinates.

**Rule in words:** A reflection of a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$  about the  $x$ -axis produces a point with the same  $x$ -coordinate and a  $y$ -coordinate that is the opposite of the original  $y$ -coordinate.

**Rule in symbols:**  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$

		Billie
Point	A	(.5, -2)
	B	(.5, -4)
	C	(1, -5)
	D	(.5, -6)
	E	(.5, -8)
	F	(1.5, -6)
	G	(2, -6)
	H	(3, -11)
	I	(5.5, -11)
	J	(6.5, -8)
	K	(6.5, -4)
	L	(1.5, -4)
		(connect L to A)
		(start over)
	M	(5.5, -6)
	N	(6, -5)
O	(6.5, -5)	
	(start over)	
P	(5, -8)	

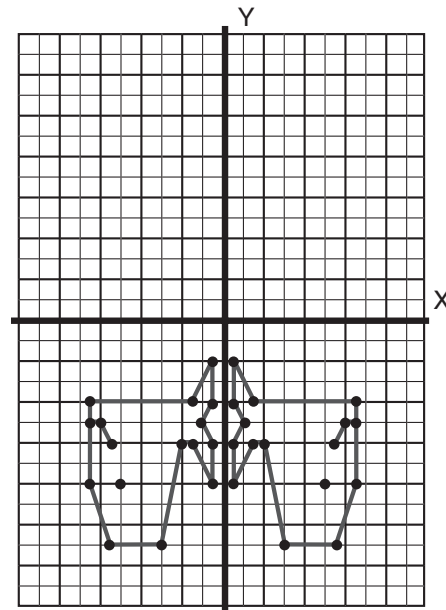


5. The coordinates of the points in the table below are the new coordinates after Billie was reflected about the  $y$ -axis from his position in problem 4. The  $y$ -coordinates stayed the same, but the new  $x$ -coordinates are the opposite of the corresponding  $x$ -coordinates in the previous table.

**Rule in words:** A reflection of a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$  about the  $y$ -axis results in a point with coordinates (opposite of the  $x$ -coordinate, same  $y$  coordinate),

**Rule in symbols:**  $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$

	Billie
A	(-.5, -2)
B	(-.5, -4)
C	(-1, -5)
D	(-.5, -6)
E	(-.5, -8)
F	(-1.5, -6)
G	(-2, -6)
H	(-3, -11)
I	(-5.5, -11)
J	(-6.5, -8)
K	(-6.5, -4)
L	(-1.5, -4)
	(connect L to A)
	(start over)
M	(-5.5, -6)
N	(-6, -5)
O	(-6.5, -5)
	(start over)
P	(-5, -8)



### Extension Questions

- A few years have passed and Billie has grown. A dilation is a transformation that moves a figure and changes its size to create a similar figure. Dilate Billie in the coordinate plane so that his new dimensions are  $4\frac{1}{2}$  times the original dimensions. List the coordinates for each vertex on Billie's figure. Explain why the enlarged figure is a dilation.

To dilate Billie to his new size, multiply each number in the ordered pair  $(x, y)$  by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . The results are listed in a table below.

	Billie
Point	A (2.25, 9)
	B (2.25, 18)
	C (4.5, 22.5)
	D (2.25, 27)
	E (2.25, 36)
	F (6.75, 27)
	G (9, 27)
	H (13.5, 49.5)
	I (24.75, 49.5)
	J (29.25, 36)
	K (29.25, 18)
	L (6.75, 18)
	(connect L to A)
	(start over)
	M (24.75, 27)
	N (27, 22.5)
O (29.25, 22.5)	
(start over)	
P (22.5, 36)	

The enlarged figure is a dilation because it meets the following criteria:

- The transformation has preserved similarity. This can be verified by comparing the lengths of corresponding sides and corresponding angles. Corresponding sides (enlarged to original) have a ratio of  $4.5 : 1$  and corresponding angles are congruent.
- Corresponding sides are parallel.



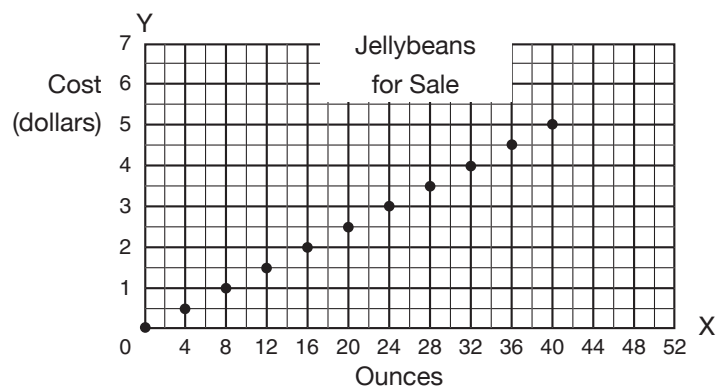
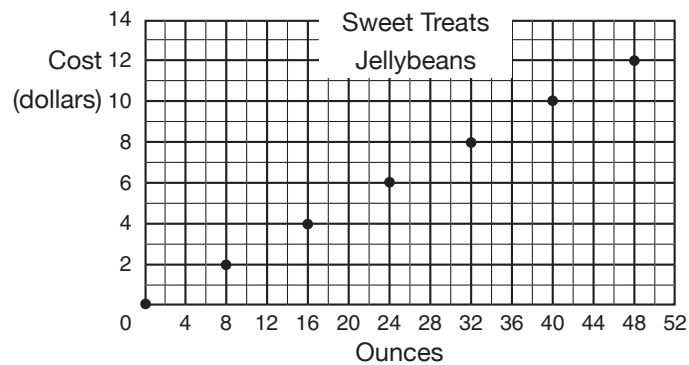
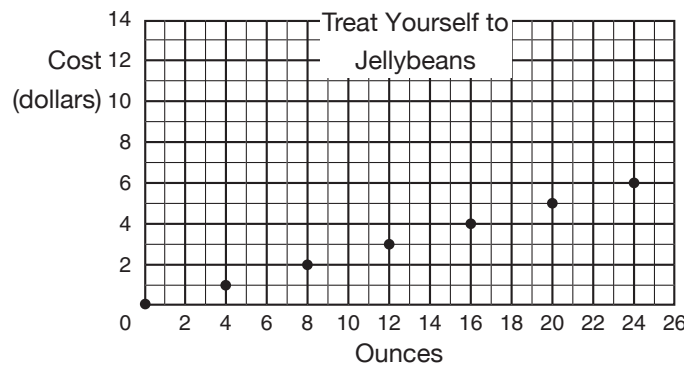
- *Since this transformation is not a translation, there is a center of dilation. In this case, the center of dilation is at  $(0, 0)$ . This can be determined by drawing lines through corresponding vertices. These lines all intersect at the center of dilation.*
  - *Each side has been enlarged by a scale factor of  $4\frac{1}{2}$ .*
  - *Orientation of the figures is the same.*
- Describe how this transformation has affected the perimeter and area of the original figure.

*Perimeter: Since Billie's figure has been scaled up by a factor of 4.5, the enlarged figure is similar to the original figure, and the ratio of corresponding sides (enlarged to original) is  $4.5 : 1$ . This ratio is the same as the ratio of corresponding perimeters. Therefore, the ratio of corresponding perimeters (enlarged figure to original figure) is  $4.5 : 1$ .*

*Area: Since the enlarged figure formed by the dilation is similar to the original figure, the ratio of the areas (enlarged to original) is the square of the ratio of corresponding sides. The ratio of the area of the enlarged figure to the area of the original figure is  $(4.5)^2 : 1^2$  or  $20.5 : 1$ .*

## Sweet Trip to the Candy Shop grade 6

Jellybeans at Deet's Sweet Treats candy shop are priced at \$2 for 8 ounces and are sold in 4-ounce and 8-ounce packages. The manager at the candy shop decides to display a graph showing the cost of jellybeans. He asked three of the employees to each make a graph. Below are the graphs each created.



1. What is being shown to the customer in each graph?
2. The manager wants to display the best graph for his customers. Make recommendations about each graph.
3. To help clerks sell jellybeans, create a price guide for up to 4 pounds and justify your reasoning.
4. Using 4-ounce and 8-ounce packages, how many different ways can you purchase 4 pounds of jellybeans? Explain.



## Materials

Calculator

Straight edge

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to identify location in two dimensions.

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(B) evaluate the effectiveness of different representations to communicate ideas

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What is the scale of the horizontal axis shown on each graph?
- What will the point (16, 4) mean on the Sweet Treats Jellybeans graph?
- What does each graph show about the cost of jellybeans as the number of ounces increases?
- What is the cost of 16 ounces of jellybeans on each graph? 24 ounces? 48 ounces?
- How many ounces of jellybeans will a customer be able to purchase with \$2? \$4? \$5?
- What is the relationship between the number of ounces of jellybeans and the cost in dollars?
- If a customer purchases 24 ounces of jellybeans, how can you find the number of 4-ounce packages he or she can buy? How many 8-ounce packages? How many combinations of 4-ounce and 8-ounce packages?

## Sample Solutions

1. Treat Yourself to Jellybeans. This graph shows the following values:

Ounces	Cost (dollars)
0	0
4	1
8	2
12	3
16	4
20	5
24	6

The rate is \$1 for 4 ounces of jellybeans. The graph shows the cost of 4 ounces to 24 ounces of jellybeans for multiple 4-ounce packages as well as for multiple 8-ounce packages.

Sweet Treats Jellybeans. The information in the graph can be written in table form.

Ounces	Cost (dollars)
0	0
8	2
16	4
24	6
32	8
40	10
48	12

This table shows that for every 8 ounces of jellybeans, the cost is \$2. The graph shows the cost of 8 ounces to 48 ounces of jellybeans for multiple packages of 8 ounces.

Jellybeans for Sale. The points on the graph result in the following table: This graph shows that for every 4 ounces of jellybeans, the cost is \$0.50. The graph shows

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the cost of 4 ounces to 48 ounces of jellybeans for multiple packages of 4 ounces and 8 ounces.

Ounces	Cost (dollars)
0	0
4	.50
8	1
12	1.50
16	2
20	2.50
24	3
28	3.50
32	4
36	4.50

This graph and table show that for every 4 ounces of jellybeans, the cost is \$0.50. This is not the correct price given in the problem. The graph shows the cost of 4 ounces to 48 ounces of jellybeans for multiple packages of 4 ounces and 8 ounces.

2. Treat Yourself to Jellybeans. This graph would be a good choice if customers bought small quantities of jellybeans of either 4- or 8-ounce packages.

Sweet Treats Jellybeans. This graph would be a good choice if most customers bought jellybeans in 8-ounce packages. It does not show that the jellybeans are available in 4-ounce packages. This graph also shows up to 48 ounces of jellybeans.

Jellybeans for Sale. This graph is not a good choice. It shows 8 ounces of jellybeans for \$1. The candy shop sells jellybeans at 8 ounces for \$2. This graph shows incorrect information.

3. The following table can be used to create a price guide to help clerks sell up to 4 pounds of jellybeans. The table should show 64 ounces, since

$$16 \text{ oz} = 1 \text{ lb}$$

$$4 \times 16 \text{ oz} = 4 \times 1 \text{ lb}$$

$$64 \text{ oz} = 4 \text{ lb}$$

### Jellybean price guide

Ounces	Cost (dollars)
4	1
8	2
12	3
16	4
20	5
24	6
28	7
32	8
36	9
40	10
44	11
48	12
52	13
56	14
60	15
64	16

The price guide shows that for every 4-ounce package of jellybeans, the cost is \$1. To find the cost of any number of 4-ounce packages, multiply the number of packages by \$1. It also shows that for every 8-ounce package of jellybeans the cost is \$2. To find the cost of any number of 8-ounce packages, multiply the number of packages by \$2.

4. The different options for purchasing 4 pounds or 64 ounces of jellybeans are given in the table below.

Number of 4 oz pkg.	Number of 8 oz pkg.	Process— Total ounces	Total ounces
0	8	0 (4 oz) + 8 (8 oz)	64
2	7	2 (4 oz) + 7 (8 oz)	64
4	6	4 (4 oz) + 6 (8 oz)	64
6	5	6 (4 oz) + 5 (8 oz)	64
8	4	8 (4 oz) + 4 (8 oz)	64
10	3	10 (4 oz) + 3 (8 oz)	64
12	2	12 (4 oz) + 2 (8 oz)	64
14	1	14 (4 oz) + 1 (8 oz)	64
16	0	16 (4 oz) + 0 (8 oz)	64



There are 16 groups of 4 ounces in 64 ounces. Four-ounce packages must be purchased in multiples of 2. It is not possible to purchase an odd number of 4-ounce packages and still make 8-ounce packages.

### Extension Questions

- How much is the cost of one ounce of jellybeans at the same rate?

*If Deet's Sweet Treats sells 8 ounces of jellybeans for \$2, then the cost of one ounce of jellybeans is  $\frac{\$2.00}{8 \text{ ounces}} = \frac{\$0.25}{1 \text{ ounce}}$ .*

- What would a customer pay for a quarter-pound of jellybeans?

*One pound of jellybeans is the same as 16 ounces of jellybeans, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 16 ounces is 4 ounces. Since 16 ounces of jellybeans is \$4 and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of \$4 is \$1, the cost of one quarter-pound (4 ounces) of jellybeans is \$1.*

- Find the cost of 96 ounces of jellybeans.

*The unit rate is \$0.25 per ounce.*

$$\frac{\$0.25}{1 \text{ ounce}} = \frac{\$0.25 \times 96}{1 \text{ ounce} \times 96} = \frac{\$24}{96 \text{ ounces}}$$

*The cost of 96 ounces is \$24.*

## The Round Table

### grade 6

Leo has been asked to design a circular table using  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch plywood so that 12 chairs can be placed around the table, with at least 8 inches between chairs. Each chair uses 16 inches of the edge of the table.

1. Will this table fit reasonably in a dining room measuring 12 feet by 14 feet? Explain.
2. Leo is shipping the tabletop. He has added hinges so that the tabletop folds in half. The legs of the table are removable and will be sent separately. Can the tabletop be shipped in a rectangular box measuring 8 feet by 4 feet by 3 inches? Explain your reasoning.
3. Leo decides to make a smaller table. Each chair still uses 16 inches of the edge of the table, and he still wants 8 inches between chairs. He would like the new table to seat 8, that is,  $\frac{2}{3}$  the number of people the original table sat. Can Leo take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of each measurement of the table to get the size of the new table? Why or why not?

## Materials

Calculator

Compass

Ruler

String

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometric vocabulary to describe angle, polygons, and circles. The student is expected to:

(C) describes the relationship between radius, diameter, and circumference of a circle

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) uses ratios to describe proportional situations

(C) uses ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

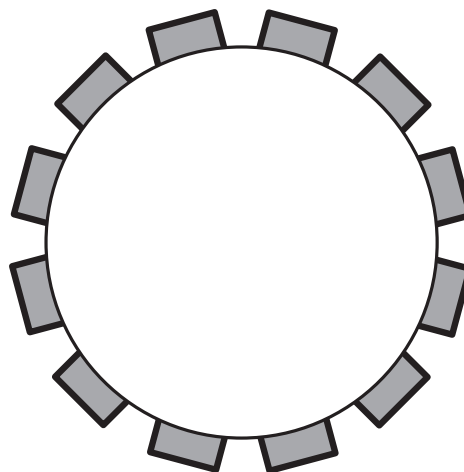
## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How would you find the circumference of the table?
- Would it be necessary to find the distance around the entire table?
- What dimensions of the tabletop would he have to consider for the box?
- What are the measures of these dimensions?
- What is the relationship between the circumference and diameter of a circle?
- If you know the circumference, how can you find the diameter?
- What is the relationship between the radius and diameter?
- How can you find the circumference of a circle if you know its diameter?
- How can you find the circumference of a circle if you know its radius?

### Sample Solutions

1. Each chair uses 16 inches of space around the table, and each chair will be spaced 8 inches apart.



There will be a total of 12 chairs around the table.

$$12 \times 16 = 192 \text{ inches}$$

There will be a total of 12 spaces between each chair.

$$12 \times 8 = 96 \text{ inches}$$

The circumference of the table is 288 inches. This is the sum of the chairs and the spacing that separates each chair.

$$192 + 96 = 288 \text{ inches}$$

Since  $C = d\pi$ , then  $d = \frac{C}{\pi}$ . So, by substitution,  $d = \frac{288}{\pi}$  which means  $d \approx 91.67$ . The diameter of the table Leo will design is approximately 91.67 inches. This means that the distance across the table is approximately 91.67 inches. This distance converted to feet, using 1 foot = 12 inches, is approximately 7.64 feet.

$$91.67 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ foot}}{12 \text{ inches}} \approx 7.64 \text{ feet}$$

The table should fit in a dining room measuring 12 feet by 14 feet. The fit will be a little tight.

2. Leo's tabletop has a diameter of 7.64 feet. If the diameter is 7.64 feet, then the radius of the tabletop is half of 7.64 feet. The radius of the tabletop is 3.82 feet. The length of the diameter, 7.64 feet, is the length of the box that Leo will need. The length of the radius, 3.82 feet, is the width of the box. Since the tabletop is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch plywood and the table is folded over, the height of the box would need to be at least twice the width of the plywood, or  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches. So yes, Leo could use a rectangular box measuring 8 feet by 4 feet by 3 inches.

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3. If there is a total of 8 chairs, then Leo will need  $8 \times 16$ , or 128 inches of space for the chairs and another  $8 \times 8$ , or 64 inches of space between each chair, for a total of 192 inches for the circumference of the table. If Leo finds  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the original measure of the circumference, he gets  $\frac{2}{3} \times 288$  inches = 192 inches. If the circumference is 192 inches, then the diameter is  $\frac{192}{\pi} \approx 61.11$  inches.

$$61.1 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ foot}}{12 \text{ inches}} \approx 5.1 \text{ feet}$$

The diameter is approximately 5.1 feet.

If Leo finds  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the original measure of the diameter, he gets  $\frac{2}{3} \times 7.6$  feet  $\approx 5.1$  feet.

If he finds  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the original measure of the radius, he gets  $\frac{2}{3} \times 3.8$  feet  $\approx 2.5$  feet. If the new diameter is 5.1 feet, then the radius is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of that, which is approximately 2.5 feet. So Leo could take  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the original measurement to find the new dimensions—with the exception of thickness, which remains  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

### Extension Questions

- If the diameter of Leo's table is doubled in length, how is the circumference affected? How does this affect the area of the tabletop surface?

*The diameter of Leo's table is 91.67 inches. If this length is doubled, then it will be 183.34 inches. Circumference is calculated by multiplying the diameter and  $\pi$ . The circumference of the table is 183.34 multiplied by  $\pi$ , which is approximately 576 inches. Doubling the length of the diameter would result in a circumference doubled in size. The area of the original table is approximately 6,600 square inches. The area of the new table is approximately 26,400 square inches. The new area is about 4 times the original area, so the area grows by 4 times.*

- If the diameter of Leo's table is halved, how many chairs can be placed around the table?

*Half of the length of the diameter is approximately 45.8 inches. The distance around the table would be calculated by multiplying the diameter and  $\pi$ .*

$$45.8 \times \pi \approx 143.88$$

*The circumference has decreased by half of the original length. The number of chairs placed around the table would also decrease by half. To verify this,  $6 \times 16 = 96$  and  $8 \times 6 = 48$ . The distance around the table would be the sum of these lengths,  $96 + 48 = 144$  inches. This distance is half of the original length of 288 inches. Therefore, if the diameter of Leo's table is half the length, then the number of chairs around it would be 6, and each chair would be 8 inches apart.*

## Sorting Rectangles grade 7

The dimensions of seven rectangles are given below.

Rectangle	Width	Length
A	16	28
B	30	36
C	2	3.5
D	8	12
E	2.5	3
F	40	60
G	20	35

1. Sort the rectangles into groups of similar rectangles. Identify which rectangles are in each group.
2. Explain how you decided which rectangles were similar.

## Materials

Calculator  
Construction paper  
Grid paper  
Ruler  
Scissors

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How do you determine whether two rectangles are similar?
- How do corresponding angles of rectangles compare?
- How do corresponding sides of rectangles compare?
- For each rectangle, what is the ratio of width to length?
- How can you use the ratio of width to length to help you sort the rectangles into groups of similar rectangles?

### Sample Solutions

1. Group 1: Rectangles A, C, and G

Group 2: Rectangles B and E

Group 3: Rectangle D and F

2. For each rectangle, the ratio of width to length can be compared as follows.

$$\text{Rectangle A: } \frac{16}{28} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$\text{Rectangle B: } \frac{30}{36} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\text{Rectangle C: } \frac{2}{3.5} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$\text{Rectangle D: } \frac{8}{12} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Rectangle E: } \frac{2.5}{3} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{5}{6} \quad \text{Rectangle F: } \frac{40}{60} \times \frac{20}{1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Rectangle G: } \frac{20}{35} \times \frac{5}{1} = \frac{4}{7}$$

Rectangles A, C, and G have a width-to-length ratio of 4 : 7, rectangles B and E have a width-to-length ratio of 5 : 6, and rectangles D and F have a width-to-length ratio of 2 : 3.

Rectangles A, C, and G are similar because corresponding angles are congruent right angles and they have the same ratio  $w : l = 4 : 7$ . Rectangles B and E are also similar since corresponding angles are right angles and the ratio  $w : l = 5 : 6$ . Rectangles D and F can be shown to be similar in the same manner.

In a discussion of similar rectangles, it is important to distinguish between the shape ratio  $w : l$  and the size ratio, or scale factor, determined by  $l_1 : l_2$  or  $w_1 : w_2$ . For example, the scale factor from rectangle B to rectangle E is  $l_1 : l_2 = 3 : 36$  or  $w_1 : w_2 = 2.5 : 30$ .

$$l_1 : l_2 = w_1 : w_2 = 1 : 12$$

The scale factor is less than 1 because there is a reduction from rectangle B to rectangle E. The ratio 1 : 12 means that the lengths of the sides of rectangle E are one-twelfth the lengths of the corresponding sides of rectangle B. This size ratio also shows that the lengths of the sides of rectangle B are 12 times the lengths of the corresponding sides of rectangle E.

as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student compares and classifies shapes and solids using geometric vocabulary and properties. The student is expected to:

(D) use critical attributes to define similarity

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### Extension Questions

- Would a rectangle with a width of 18 and a length of 21 belong to any of the groups? Why or why not?

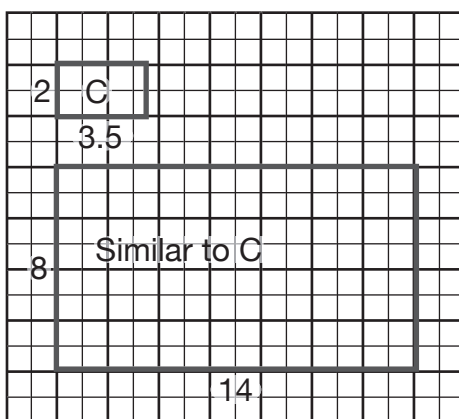
*If the width is compared with the length of this rectangle, the result would be*

$$\frac{18}{21} \times \frac{1}{\frac{3}{1}} = \frac{6}{7}$$

*. This shape ratio is not equal to any shape ratio of the groups. Therefore, the given rectangle would not belong to any of the groups.*

- Rectangle C is shown on the grid below. Draw a new rectangle that is similar to rectangle C.

*A possible rectangle can be drawn by using a scale factor of 4. The width will be 4 x 2 units, or 8 units, and the length will be 4 x 3.5 units, or 14 units.*



## **Mighty Mascot!**

### **grade 7**

The spirit club for the Mighty Bears projected a picture of the school's mascot on a wall to make a poster for the gym. The original picture was 4 inches wide and 6 inches high.

1. If the wall is 6 feet wide and 8 feet high, what is the largest possible dimension of the projection that will show a complete picture of the mascot? Describe how you solved this problem.
2. What scale factor was used to make the new image? Explain.
3. Would it be possible to use a scale factor of 18? Why or why not?

## Materials

Calculator  
Grid paper  
Straight edge  
Ruler

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to applications problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs and related measurement units

(7.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student compares and classifies shapes and solids using geometric vocabulary and properties. The student is expected to:

(D) use critical attributes to define similarity

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

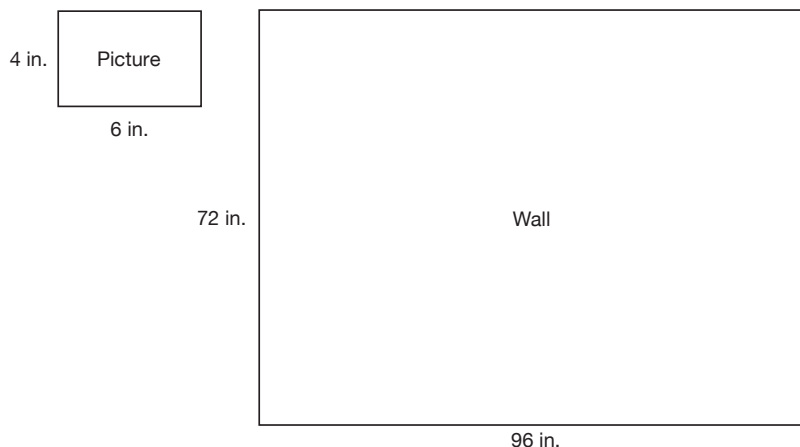
- How do the original picture of the mascot and the projected image compare?
- How can you convert feet to inches?
- What happens to the attributes of a figure when it is changed by a scale factor greater than 1? Less than 1?
- How do the ratios of the corresponding sides compare when a figure is enlarged by a scale factor of 2? 10? 18?

### Sample Solutions

1. The dimensions of the wall can be converted to inches. There are 12 inches in 1 foot.

$$6 \text{ feet} \times \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 72 \text{ inches}$$

$$8 \text{ feet} \times \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 96 \text{ inches}$$



To find the largest dimensions of the picture that can fit into the space on the wall, students can build a table and compare data.

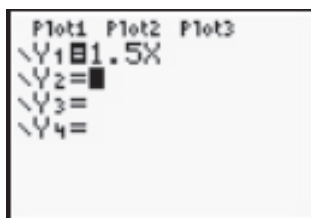
For example:

Scale factor	Width in inches	Length in inches
1	$4 \times 1 = 4$	$6 \times 1 = 6$
2	$4 \times 2 = 8$	$6 \times 2 = 12$
3	$4 \times 3 = 12$	$6 \times 3 = 18$
10	$4 \times 10 = 40$	$6 \times 10 = 60$
15	$4 \times 15 = 60$	$6 \times 15 = 90$
16	$4 \times 16 = 64$	$6 \times 16 = 96$
17	$4 \times 17 = 68$	$6 \times 17 = 102$
18	$4 \times 18 = 72$	$6 \times 18 = 108$

The largest possible dimension of the projection will be 64 inches wide and 96 inches high.

Another solution strategy:

Using the previous table, the ratio  $l : w$  is  $6 : 4$ . Let  $y$  represent the length in inches and  $x$ , the width in inches. Write this ratio as  $y : x = 3 : 2$  or  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{3}{2}$ . The equation  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$  or  $y = 1.5x$  can be entered into a graphing calculator, and the table feature can be used to find dimensions that will fit on the wall 72 inches wide and 96 inches high.



X	Y1
64	96
65	97.5
66	99
67	100.5
68	102
69	103.5
70	105

X=64

X	Y1
66	99
67	100.5
68	102
69	103.5
70	105
71	106.5
72	108

X=72

The maximum length is 96 inches. When  $x = 64$ ,  $y = 96$ . Therefore, an enlargement 64 inches wide and 96 inches high will fit on the wall.

(7.9) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement. The student is expected to estimate measurements and solve application problems involving length (including perimeter and circumference), area, and volume.

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2. The scale factor used to create the new image is 16. Refer to the table in problem 1.

$$4 \times 16 = 64 \text{ and } 6 \times 16 = 96$$

Since this is an enlargement, the scale factor is greater than 1. Multiplying the original dimensions by 16 gives the dimensions of 64 inches by 96 inches.

Another way to find the scale factor that produced this enlargement is to find the ratio of corresponding widths  $w_1 : w_2 = 64 : 4 = 16 : 1$  or the ratio of corresponding lengths  $l_1 : l_2 = 96 : 6 = 16 : 1$ .

3. It would not be possible to use a scale factor of 18 because multiplying the dimensions of the picture by the scale factor 18 would result in an enlargement that is 72 inches by 108 inches.

$$4 \text{ inches} \times 18 = 72 \text{ inches}$$

$$6 \text{ inches} \times 18 = 108 \text{ inches}$$

The enlargement would be too tall to fit on the wall that is 72 inches wide and 96 inches high.

### Extension Questions

- What size surface would be needed to project the picture of the mascot using a scale factor of 20?

*To find the size of the surface, you would multiply the dimensions of the picture by 20.*

$$4 \text{ inches} \times 20 = 80 \text{ inches}$$

$$6 \text{ inches} \times 20 = 120 \text{ inches}$$

*The new dimensions could be converted to feet.*

$$80 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ foot}}{12 \text{ inches}} \approx 6.667 \text{ feet}$$

$$120 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ foot}}{12 \text{ inches}} = 10 \text{ feet}$$

*The size of the surface should be about 7 feet by 10 feet, rounding to the nearest foot.*

- A projection of a picture on a wall measures 48 inches wide by 72 inches high. The

original picture's dimensions have been increased by  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$  in this projected image. What were the original dimensions? Explain your reasoning.

*If the dimension has been increased by  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ , then the new image is  $100\% + 33\frac{1}{3}\%$  or  $133\frac{1}{3}\%$  of the original image.*

$$133\frac{1}{3}\% = \frac{133\frac{1}{3}}{100} = \frac{133\frac{1}{3}}{100} \times \frac{3}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

*The dimensions of the projection on the wall are  $1\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the original*

*dimensions of the picture. This means that 48 inches is  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the width ( $w$ ) of the original picture and 72 inches is  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the length ( $l$ ) of the original picture. The following equations can be written and solved to determine the original dimensions.*

$$48 = \frac{4}{3}w$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \times 48 = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{3}w$$

$$36 = w$$

$$72 = \frac{4}{3}l$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \times 72 = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{3}l$$

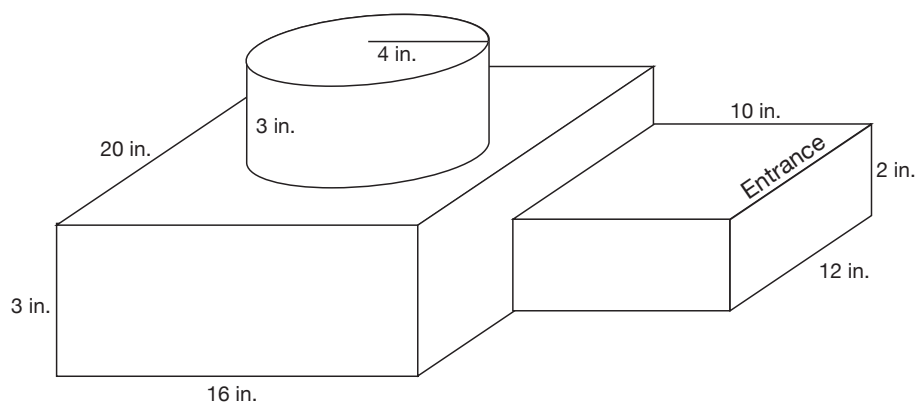
$$54 = l$$

*The dimensions of the original picture are width = 36 inches and length = 54 inches.*



## Javier Builds a Model grade 8

Javier, an architect, builds a scale model of the new faculty center at the university. A diagram of the scale model is shown below.



1. In the scale model, the entrance is 12 inches wide. If the entrance is actually 60 feet wide, what scale did Javier use to create the model? Explain your answer.
2. Show how to find the actual measurements of the new faculty center at the university. Redraw the model, labeling its actual dimensions.



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

Ruler

Cubes

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(8.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student

### Scaffolding Questions

- What does it mean for two figures to be similar?
- How does the actual measure of the entrance compare with that of the model?
- What does a scale factor tell you about the dimensions of two similar figures?
- How can you find a scale factor from the scale model to the actual building? From the actual building to the scale model?
- How can you find the dimensions of the actual figure if you know the scale factor used to make the model?
- How does the ratio of the corresponding areas of two similar figures compare to the ratio of their corresponding sides?

### Sample Solutions

1. To calculate the scale used, begin with the relationship between the number of inches in the scale drawing and the number of feet in the actual building.

$$\frac{60 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{12 \text{ inches in the scale model}} = \frac{5 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}}$$

Therefore, Javier used a scale of 1 inch = 5 feet.

2. To convert from the dimensions in the scale model to the dimensions of the actual building, the rate  $\frac{5 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}}$  may be used. For example, convert 2 inches to the actual size.

$$\frac{5 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}} \times 2 \text{ inches in the scale model} =$$

10 feet in the actual building

If the rate is  $\frac{5 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}}$ , the rule that defines the relationship is  $y = 5x$ , where  $y$  represents the number of feet in the actual building and  $x$ , the number of inches in the scale model. The equation  $y = 5x$  states that the number of feet in the actual building is 5 times the number of inches in the scale drawing.

This equation,  $y = 5x$ , can be used to find the actual dimensions of the new faculty center.

Large rectangular prism: Length:  $y = (5)(20) = 100 \text{ ft}$

Width:  $y = (5)(16) = 80 \text{ ft}$

Height:  $y = (5)(3) = 15 \text{ ft}$

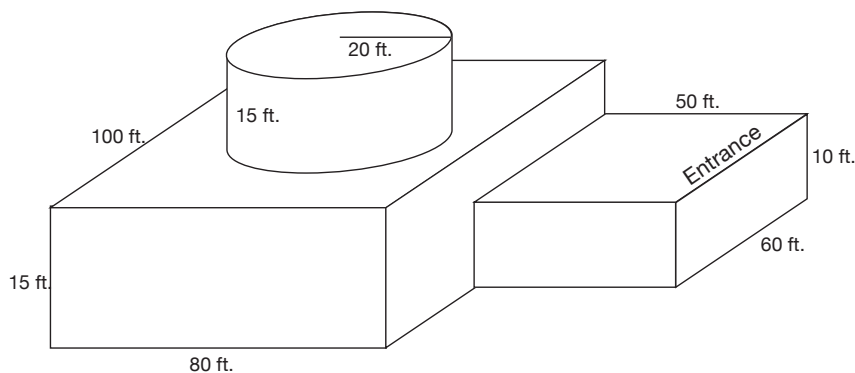
Cylinder: Radius:  $y = (5)(4) = 20 \text{ ft}$

Height:  $y = (5)(3) = 15 \text{ ft}$

Small rectangular prism: Length:  $y = (5)(10) = 50 \text{ ft}$

Width:  $y = (5)(12) = 60 \text{ ft}$

Height:  $y = (5)(2) = 10 \text{ ft}$



uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(B) use geometric concepts and properties to solve problems in fields such as art and architecture

(8.8) Measurement. The student uses procedures to determine measures of solids. The student is expected to:

(C) estimate answers and use formulas to solve application problems involving surface area and volume

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

### Extension Questions

- The university is purchasing material for a roof of the building. How much area will be covered?

*The area of the roof of the building is the area of the top of the large rectangular prism and the top of the small rectangular prism. The roof of the large rectangular prism consists of a part of the rectangle that is around the circular portion of the cylinder and a circular portion (base of cylinder). Since the bases of a cylinder are congruent circles, the top of the cylinder has the same area as the bottom. Therefore, the area of the roof of the large rectangular prism is the area of a rectangle with dimensions 100 feet by 80 feet. The area of the smaller section is 50 feet by 60 feet. The total roof area is the sum of these two areas.*

$$\text{Area} = (100)(80) + (50)(60)$$

$$\text{Area} = 8,000 + 3,000 = 11,000 \text{ square feet}$$

- How much material did Javier use to make the roof of the model?

*The area of the roof of the model is the area of the top of the large rectangular prism and the top of the small rectangular prism.*

$$\text{Area} = (20)(16) + (10)(12)$$

$$\text{Area} = 320 + 120 = 440 \text{ square inches.}$$

- How does the area of the roof of the model compare with the area of the roof of the actual building?

*A comparison of the areas of the two roofs requires a conversion of feet to inches or inches to feet. Unit conversion can be used to find the number of square feet in 440 square inches.*

$$440 \text{ in}^2 \times \frac{1 \text{ ft}^2}{144 \text{ in}^2} \approx 3.055 \text{ ft}^2$$

*The ratio of the number of square feet in the roof of the model to the number of square feet in the roof of the actual building is 3.055 : 11,000 or 1 : 3,600. The*

ratio of corresponding dimensions (scale model : actual building) is 12 inches : 60 feet or 1 ft : 60 ft. The ratio of the number of square feet in the roof of the model to the number of square feet in the roof of the actual building is  $1 : 3,600 = 1^2 : 60^2$ .

The ratio of the number of feet in corresponding dimensions (scale model : actual building) = 1 : 60.

It follows that the ratio of the areas of two similar figures is the square of the ratio of their corresponding dimensions.

- If Javier used a scale of 1 inch = 10 feet, how would the dimensions of the model change?

The scale has been changed from  $\frac{5 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}}$  to  $\frac{10 \text{ feet in the actual building}}{1 \text{ inch in the scale model}}$ . The rule that models the relationship between the number of feet in the actual building,  $y$ , and the number of inches in the model,  $x$ , is  $y = 10x$ .

The values of the actual building,  $y$  are known. The dimensions of the new model may be found by solving the rule for  $y$ .

Large rectangular prism: Length:  $100 = 10x$

$$x = 10 \text{ in}$$

Width:  $80 = 10x$

$$x = 8 \text{ in}$$

Height:  $15 = 10x$

$$x = 1.5 \text{ in}$$

Cylinder: Radius:  $20 = 10x$

$$x = 2 \text{ in}$$

Height:  $15 = 10x$

$$x = 1.5 \text{ in}$$

## Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.

*Small rectangular prism: Length:  $50 = 10x$*

$$x = 5 \text{ in}$$

*Width:  $60 = 10x$*

$$x = 6 \text{ in}$$

*Height:  $10 = 10x$*

$$x = 1 \text{ in}$$

*The dimensions of the model would be half as large as the dimensions of the original scale model*

## Student Council President grade 8

Aricela is running for Student Council president at her school. She used her computer to make an  $8\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$  11" flyer with her picture and campaign slogan.

1. Aricela would like to enlarge the flyer to maximize size. She wants to create posters that are similar to the original flyer. She would like to display these new posters on doors that measure 3 feet by 6 feet. What size should the posters be? Explain your thinking.
2. Aricela wants to make additional posters using a copy machine. The largest paper she can use is 11 inches by 17 inches. What is the scale factor she must use? Explain your thinking.
3. Can Aricela make a poster with dimensions 13 inches by 15 inches similar to her original flyer of 8.5 by 11 inches? Why or why not?
4. Aricela would like to reduce the flyer to make campaign badges to distribute to students. If the height of each badge is 2 inches, what will the width be in order to make a similar image? Describe how you solved this problem.
5. What scale factor was used for the reduction? Explain your answer.

## Teacher Notes

### Material

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS:

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(A) select and use appropriate operations to solve problems and justify the selections

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic

### Scaffolding Questions

- What makes two figures similar?
- How does an enlargement or reduction affect the shape of a figure? How does it affect the size?
- What is a scale factor?
- How do you find the scale factor of an enlargement? A reduction?
- How does the new figure compare with the original figure in an enlargement? In a reduction?

### Sample Solutions

1. Aricela thinks big posters will get more attention; therefore, she wants to enlarge her flyer as much as possible. She will make the largest possible poster by finding a scale factor that will enlarge the poster so that it fits on the door that is 3 feet by 6 feet. Convert the dimensions to inches.

$$3 \text{ feet} \times \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 36 \text{ inches}$$

$$6 \text{ feet} \times \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 72 \text{ inches}$$

The dimensions in inches are 36 inches by 72 inches. By building a table, possible dimensions can be explored and generalizations can be made.

Scale factor	Width in inches	Length in inches
1	$8\frac{1}{2}$	11
2	17	22
3	$25\frac{1}{2}$	33
4	34	44
5	$42\frac{1}{2}$	55

The ratio of length to width for each row in the table is equivalent to  $\frac{11}{8.5}$  and can be expressed as  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{11}{8.5}$ . This is a constant ratio or constant of proportionality. The equation  $y = \frac{11}{8.5}x$  expresses a proportional relationship between the length and width of each rectangle. From the table, a scale factor between 4 and 5 will enlarge the poster to a width between 34 inches and  $42\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Enter  $y = \frac{11}{8.5}x$  into a graphing calculator and use the table feature to find  $x = 36$ . When  $x = 36$ ,  $y = 46.6$ .



A poster that is 36 inches wide and 46.6 inches high will be similar to the original and will maximize the surface of the door that is 36 inches wide and 72 inches high. To find the scale factor (4.24) that produced this enlargement, find the ratio of corresponding widths or the ratio of corresponding lengths.

$$\frac{36}{8.5} \approx 4.24$$

$$\frac{46.6}{11} \approx 4.24$$

The size of the poster will be 36 inches by 46.6 inches.

- With a scale factor of 1.29, she would get the largest width possible but would have to trim the extra height. Since Aricela is making an enlargement of her flyer, she will need a scale factor greater than 1. Enter  $y = \frac{11}{8.5}x$  into a graphing calculator and scroll to find  $x = 11$  and  $y = 14.235$ .

representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(8.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses transformational geometry to develop spatial sense. The student is expected to:

(A) generate similar shapes using dilations including enlargements and reductions

(8.9) Measurement. The student uses indirect measurement to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(B) use proportional relationships in similar shapes to find missing measurements

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.



X	Y
7	9.0588
8	10.3527
9	11.6467
10	12.9407
11	14.2347
12	15.5287
13	16.8227
$\bar{X}=11$	

To find the scale factor used for this enlargement, use the ratio of corresponding widths or the ratio of corresponding heights.

$$\frac{11}{8.5} \approx 1.29$$

$$\frac{14.235}{11} \approx 1.29$$

The following computations can be used to check the value of the scale factor.

$$8\frac{1}{2} \times 1.29 \approx 11$$

$$11 \times 1.29 \approx 14.2$$

Using a scale factor of 1.29, or 129%, on a copy machine will give a poster that is 11 inches by 14.2 inches.

3. Aricela will not be able to enlarge her flyer to a poster that is 13 inches by 15 inches. Find a scale factor that will scale up the width to 13 inches by finding a ratio of the width of the enlargement to the width of the original flyer. Then multiply this scale factor by the original height to find the new height.

$$13 \div 8\frac{1}{2} \approx 1.5$$

$$11 \times 1.5 = 16.5$$

Using a scale factor of 1.5 will increase the width to 13 inches, but the height would be 16.5 inches, which is too high.

Another strategy would be to enter the equation  $Y = \frac{11}{8.5}X$  into a graphing calculator and use the table feature to find  $x = 13$ . The corresponding value of  $y$  is 16.8, which will not meet the dimensions of the 13- by 15-inch poster.

X	Y1
10	12.941
10.5	13.508
11	14.075
11.5	14.642
12	15.209
12.5	15.776
13	16.343

X=13

She could make a poster that was 11.5 inches by 14.88 inches that would fit on the 13-inch by 15-inch paper.

4. To find the width of the badge, a proportion of width to height can be written and solved.

$$\frac{8.5}{11} = \frac{w}{2}$$

$$\frac{8.5 \times 2}{11} = w$$

$$\frac{17}{11} = w$$

$$1.5 \approx w$$

The width of the badge is about 1.5 inches.

Another strategy involves the use of the graphing calculator. Enter the equation

$y = \frac{11}{8.5}x$  and use the table feature. Scroll down the y-column to 1.9412 and read the corresponding x-value of 1.5.

TABLE SETUP	
TblStart=1	
ΔTbl=.1	
Indent: Ask	
Depend: Auto Ask	

X	Y1
1	1.2941
1.1	1.4235
1.2	1.5529
1.3	1.6824
1.4	1.8118
1.5	1.9412
1.6	2.0706

X=1.5

5. To find the scale factor used for the reduction, the new dimensions are divided by the corresponding original dimensions. Since this is a reduction, the scale factor is less than 1.

$$1.5 \div 8.5 \approx 0.18$$

$$2 \div 11 \approx 0.18$$

The scale factor used for the reduction is 0.18.

## Extension Questions

- On most copy machines, users are allowed to reduce or enlarge documents by specifying a percentage between 50% and 200%. How would you use the copy machine to reduce Aricela's flyer to 25% of the original document?

*A user would need to make a 50% reduction and then reduce the half-size flyer by another 50%. Let  $x$  be a dimension of the original document.*

*Reduction by 50% means the new image is  $0.50x$ .*

*Reducing by 50% again means the next image is 50% of  $0.50x$  or  $0.50(0.50x) = 0.25x$  or 25% of  $x$ .*

## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows the use of scale factor.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Describes mathematical relationships
- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Develops and carries out a plan for solving a problem that includes understand the problem, select a strategy, solve the problem, and check
- Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations
- Evaluates the reasonableness or significance of the solution in the context of the problem
- Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills
- Communicates clear, detailed, and organized solution strategy

① In order to enlarge the poster I have to increase the size by multiplying, I'm going to start with 2

$$8.5 \times 2 = 17$$

$$11 \times 2 = 22$$

$$8.5 \times 3 = 25.5$$

$$11 \times 3 = 33$$

$$8.5 \times 4 = 34$$

$$11 \times 4 = 44$$

$$8.5 \times 5 = 42.5 \quad \text{--- too big}$$

$$11 \times 5 = 55$$

The scale factor has to be between 4 and 5.

so I began multiplying the dimension by 4.1:

$$8.5 \times 4.1 = 34.85$$

$$11 \times 4.1 = 45.1$$

$$8.5 \times 4.2 = 35.7$$

$$11 \times 4.2 = 46.2$$

$$8.5 \times 4.3 = 36.55$$

$$11 \times 4.3 = 47.3$$

The poster should be 35.7" by 46.2".

② The largest size paper used for a copier is 11" by 17" since multiplying 2 by the dimension is too big the scale factor has to be between 1 and 2.

I will start with 1.1:

$$8.5 \times 1.1 = 9.35$$

$$11 \times 1.1 = 12.10$$

$$8.5 \times 1.2 = 10.2$$

$$11 \times 1.2 = 13.20$$

$$8.5 \times 1.3 = 11.05$$

$$11 \times 1.3 = 14.30$$

The scale factor has to be between

1.2 and 1.3

so I begin by 1.25:

$$8.5 \times 1.25 = 10.625$$

$$11 \times 1.25 = 13.75$$

$$8.5 \times 1.26 = 10.71$$

$$11 \times 1.26 = 13.86$$

$$8.5 \times 1.27 = 10.795$$

$$11 \times 1.27 = 13.97$$

To find the percent I have to multiply the scale factor by hundred.

$$1.29 \times 100 = 129$$

To enlarge the flyer Aricela should select the 129% on the copier.

$$8.5 \times 1.28 = 10.88$$

$$11 \times 1.28 = 14.08$$

$$8.5 \times 1.29 = 10.965$$

$$11 \times 1.29 = 14.19$$

The scale factor is 1.29

3) Since 2 is too big the scale factor has to be between 1 and 2. I'm going to start by 1.5

$$8.5 \times 1.5 = 12.75$$

$$11 \times 1.5 = 16.5$$

$$8.5 \times 1.6 = 13.6$$

$$11 \times 1.6 = 17.6$$

> both too big

And if I go lower to 1.4.....

$$8.5 \times 1.4 = 11.9$$

$$11 \times 1.4 = 15.4$$

it's too short and long

Ariela can not make a poster similar to her original flyer that has dimensions 13" by 15" because the outcome will not be exactly 13" by 15"

4) Since the length is 2", I'm going to figure out what number times 11 comes out to 2".

$$\frac{11 \cdot n = 2''}{11 \quad 11}$$

$$n = .18$$

So the scale factor is .18

I'm going to take .18 and multiply it to 8.5

$$8.5 \times .18 = 1.53$$

So the width will be 1.53" in order to make a similar image.

5) The scale factor that was used for the reduction was .18.

Since

$$8.5 \times .18 = 1.53$$

$$11 \times .18 = 1.98$$

The reduced badge will be 1.5" in width and 2" in length.



**Chapter 4:**  
*Measurement*





## Lights at the Marleys' and Farleys' grade 6

OVERARCHING  
THE MARLEYS AND  
FARLEYS

The Marley family and the Farley family are neighbors who live across the street from each other on Boxgarden Light Lane. They have been good friends for many years. Frequently, their projects for home improvement turn out to involve the same part of their homes.

For Halloween, both families like to hang lights on their windows. Last year both families bought orange lights. The Marley family bought a string of orange lights 20 feet long. The Farley family bought a string of orange lights 30 feet long.

This year, each family decided to decorate one additional window at each of their homes. Fortunately, additional orange lights were available in just the sizes they needed by the same company. The Marleys increased their orange light supply to 30 feet and the Farleys increased their orange light supply to 40 feet.

1. Which family increased their orange light supply more? Explain your thinking.
2. What was the percentage increase by length of lights for each of the families? Explain your thinking.
3. The neighbors in the other 12 homes on the Marley side of the street decide to decorate their homes with orange lights exactly like the Marleys. The neighbors in the other 10 homes on the Farley side of the street decide to decorate their homes with orange lights exactly like the Farleys. Is 280 yards of orange lights enough to light Boxgarden Light Lane this year? How do you know?

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

Strips of paper or adding machine tape

Scissors

Glue stick or tape

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(B) use addition and subtraction to solve problems involving fractions and decimals

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(6.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters as

### Scaffolding Questions

- By how many feet of lights did the Marley family increase their orange light supply?
- By how many feet of lights did the Farley family increase their orange light supply?
- What are some different ways to make numerical comparisons between the Marley orange light supply last year and this year? Between the Farley orange light supply last year and this year?
- How are feet and yards related?

### Sample Solutions

1. If we consider the number of feet in the increase, neither family increased their light supply more than the other. Both families increased their orange light supply by 10 feet. This absolute change can be determined by subtraction.

$$\begin{aligned}30 \text{ ft} - 20 \text{ ft} &= 10 \text{ ft} \\40 \text{ ft} - 30 \text{ ft} &= 10 \text{ ft}\end{aligned}$$

2. The Farleys increased their orange light supply from 20 feet to 30 feet, or 50% of their original 20 feet. This relative change can be demonstrated using strips of paper as follows:

Use a strip of paper or adding machine tape to represent the original 20 feet. Fold the paper strip in half. Each half now represents 10 feet, or 50% of the original length.

<b>10 feet</b> 50% of the original 20 feet	<b>10 feet</b> 50% of the original 20 feet
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Cut another strip of paper the length of one of the halves and tape it to the end of the original strip of paper. This new strip of paper represents 20 feet plus 10 feet, or 100% plus 50%. This model shows that the Marleys

increased their original orange light supply by 10 feet, or 50%.

<b>10 feet</b> 50% of the original 20 feet	<b>10 feet</b> 50% of the original 20 feet	<b>additional 10 feet</b> equal to 50% of the original 20 feet
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Another strategy would be to write a ratio of the number of feet in the increase to the original number of feet and express it as an equivalent ratio, 50 : 100.

$$10 \text{ ft} : 20 \text{ ft} = 50 \text{ ft} : 100 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{50}{100} = 50\%$$

The Marleys increased their orange light supply from 30 feet to 40 feet, or  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$  of their original 30 feet. This relative change can be determined by the ratio of the number of feet in the increase to the original number of feet and a percentage.

$$\frac{10}{30} = 33\frac{1}{3}\%$$

Strips of paper can be used to model this situation. Let one strip of paper represent the Marleys' original 30 feet of orange light supply. Fold the paper strip into thirds and label each strip with feet and percentage as shown below.

<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet	<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet	<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet
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Since the Marleys have increased their orange light supply by 10 feet, cut another strip of paper the length of one of the folded sections and tape it onto the end of the original strip of paper to show 40 feet of lights.

<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet	<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet	<b>10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet	<b>additional 10 feet</b> $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the original 30 feet
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variables in mathematical expressions to describe how one quantity changes when a related quantity changes. The student is expected to:

(A) use tables and symbols to represent and describe proportional and other relationships involving conversions, sequences, perimeter, area, etc.

(6.8) Measurement.

The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement of length, area, time, temperature, capacity, weight, and angles. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate measurements and evaluate reasonableness of results

(B) select and use appropriate units, tools, or formulas to measure and to solve problems involving length (including perimeter and circumference), area, time, temperature, capacity, and weight

(D) convert measures within the same measurement system (customary and metric) based on relationships between units

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

The model now shows 40 feet of orange lights and an increase of  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$  over the original light supply.

Since 50% is greater than  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ , the Farleys increased their orange light supply by a greater percentage of their original amount.

3. Yes, 280 yards of lights is enough to light Boxgarden Light Lane this year.

For the Marley side of the street, there are 12 homes plus the Marley home, each to be lit with 30 feet of lights for a total of 390 feet.

$$13 \times 30 \text{ ft} = 390 \text{ ft}$$

For the Farley side of the street, there are 10 homes plus the Farley home, each to be lit with 40 feet of lights for a total of 440 feet.

$$11 \times 40 \text{ ft} = 440 \text{ ft}$$

Together, 830 feet of lights are needed to light Boxgarden Light Lane.

$$390 \text{ ft} + 440 \text{ ft} = 830 \text{ ft}$$

Since there are 3 feet in one yard, there are 840 feet in 280 yards.

$$280 \text{ yards} \times \frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yard}} = 840 \text{ feet}$$

Since 830 feet is less than 840 feet, 280 yards of lights will be enough to light Boxgarden Light Lane.

## Extension Questions

- If the number of houses varied, what rule could be used to show the relationship between the total number of feet of lights needed and the number of homes displaying lights in the same way as the Marleys' home?

$$f = 30h$$

*The variable  $f$  represents the number of feet of lights needed, and  $h$  represents the number of homes that will display lights.*

- If the number of houses varied, what rule could be used to show the relationship between the total number of feet of lights needed and the number of homes displaying lights in the same way as the Farleys' home?

$$f = 40h$$

*The variable  $f$  represents the number of feet of lights needed, and  $h$  represents the number of homes that will display lights.*

- For the winter holidays, all 24 homes on Boxgarden Light Lane agree to display 50 feet of white lights. Would 350 yards of white lights be enough to light Boxgarden Light Lane for the winter holidays? How do you know?

*No, 350 yards of lights would not be enough. The 24 homes would need 1,200 feet of lights.*

$$50 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ ft} = 1,200 \text{ ft}$$

*Since 1 yard is the same as 3 feet, 350 yards is the same as 1,050 feet.*

$$350 \text{ yards} \times \frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yard}} = 1,050 \text{ feet}$$

*This would be 150 ft less than what is needed.*

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

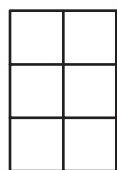
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## Gardens at the Marleys' and Farleys' grade 7

The Marley family and the Farley family are neighbors who live across the street from each other on Boxgarden Light Lane. They have been good friends for many years. Frequently, their projects for home improvement turn out to involve the same part of their homes. Both the Marleys and the Farleys like fresh vegetables grown in their own rectangular gardens. The following diagram shows the Marleys' garden last summer.



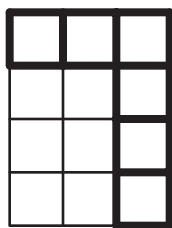
The next diagram shows the Farleys' garden last summer.



For each diagram in this problem, one segment      represents one meter.

This summer both families enlarged their gardens.

The Marleys' garden now looks like the following diagram.



The Farleys' garden now looks like the following diagram.





1. What are the dimensions of each garden for last summer and this summer?
2. Which family increased the size of their garden more? Describe how you determined your response.
3. Is your response to problem 2 the only possible answer? Explain.
4. Is the Marleys' new garden mathematically similar to their old garden? Is the Farleys' new garden mathematically similar to their old garden? Explain how you know if they are similar.



## Materials

Calculator

Color tiles or grid paper

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percent

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling,

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What are the dimensions of each garden?
- By how many square meters did the Marleys' garden increase?
- By how many square meters did the Farleys' garden increase?
- What is the percentage increase of the Marleys' garden from last summer to this summer?
- What is the percentage increase of the Farleys' garden from last summer to this summer?
- How can you use a pictorial model to represent the percentage increase of each garden from last summer to this summer?
- What are some different ways to make numerical comparisons of the Marley and Farley gardens?
- What are the critical attributes of similar shape?
- How can you show similarity between the original Marley garden and the enlarged Marley garden?  
Between the original Farley garden and the enlarged Farley garden?

### Sample Solutions

1. Last summer the Marley garden measured 2 meters by 3 meters. This summer the Marley garden measures 3 meters by 4 meters.

Last summer the Farley garden measured 1 meter by 2 meters. This summer the Farley garden measures 2 meters by 4 meters.

2. If we consider the number of square feet of increase in the garden, neither family increased their garden more than the other from last summer to this summer. Both families increased their garden by 6 square meters. This absolute change is determined by the subtraction of their areas.

Area of the Marley garden last summer

$$3 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} = 6 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of the Marley garden this summer

$$4 \text{ m} \times 3 \text{ m} = 12 \text{ m}^2$$

Difference in areas of the two gardens

$$12 \text{ m}^2 - 6 \text{ m}^2 = 6 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of the Farley garden last summer

$$2 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} = 2 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of the Farley garden this summer

$$4 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} = 8 \text{ m}^2$$

Difference in areas of the two gardens

$$8 \text{ m}^2 - 2 \text{ m}^2 = 6 \text{ m}^2$$

Another way to determine the absolute change in the area of each garden is by counting the additional square meters in this summer's garden compared with last summer's garden for each family.

3. The response to problem 2 is not the only response. Another correct response would be that the Farley garden increased more than the Marley garden.

The Marley garden increased from 6 square meters to 12 square meters. This is a 100% increase in the size of their garden from last summer to this summer. This relative change can be modeled using color tiles as shown.



Each square tile represents 1 square meter. The whole row of 6 square meters represents 100%.

Another row of tiles can be made with 2 different colors.

unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student compares and classifies shapes and solids using geometric vocabulary and properties. The student is expected to:

(D) use critical attributes to define similarity

(7.9) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement. The student is expected to estimate measurements and solve application problems involving length (including perimeter and circumference), area, and volume.

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences,

to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical,

Six of one color can represent the original area of 6 square meters, and another color can represent the additional square meters. Since 6 tiles represents 100%, twice the number of tiles represents 200%. This model shows that there has been a 100% increase in area.



Another way to determine this relative change is by a ratio and a percentage. The ratio of the amount of increase in the garden to the amount of original area in the garden is  $6 \text{ m}^2 : 6 \text{ m}^2$ .

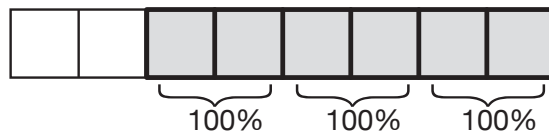
$$\frac{6}{6} = 100\%$$

The Farley garden increased from 2 square meters to 8 square meters. This is a 300% increase in the size of their garden from last summer to this summer. This relative change can also be modeled using color tiles as shown.



Each square tile represents 1 square meter. The row of 2 square meters represents 100%.

Another row of tiles can be made with 2 different colors. Two of one color can represent the original area of 2 square meters, and another color can represent the additional square meters. Since 2 tiles represents 100%, four times the number of tiles represents 400%. This model shows that there has been a 300% increase in area.



This model shows a 300% increase in the size of the Farley garden from last summer to this summer.

This percentage increase can also be determined by a ratio and a percentage. The ratio of the amount of increase in the garden to the amount of original area in the garden is  $6 \text{ m}^2 : 2 \text{ m}^2$ .

$$\frac{6}{2} = 300\%$$

Since 300% is greater than 100%, the Farley garden increased more from last summer to this summer.

4. The Marley gardens do not represent similar figures. Although corresponding angles are congruent, both corresponding dimensions did not increase by a common scale factor. The width increased from 2 meters to 3 meters by a factor of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ . The length increased from 3 meters to 4 meters by a factor of  $1\frac{1}{3}$ .

$$\frac{3 \text{ meters}}{2 \text{ meters}} = \frac{3}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{4 \text{ meters}}{3 \text{ meters}} = \frac{4}{3} = 1\frac{1}{3}$$

Another justification can be made using the “shape ratio,” comparing length to width for each rectangular garden.

$$\text{Original garden: } \frac{3 \text{ meters}}{2 \text{ meters}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{New garden: } \frac{4 \text{ meters}}{3 \text{ meters}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Since these ratios are not equivalent, these rectangular gardens do not have the same shape and are not similar.

The Farley gardens are similar figures. Corresponding angles are congruent with a measure of 90 degrees. Corresponding dimensions increased by a common scale factor of 2. The width increased from 1 meter to 2 meters. The length increased from 2 meters to 4 meters.

$$\frac{1 \text{ meters}}{2 \text{ meters}} = \frac{2 \times 1 \text{ meters}}{2 \times 2 \text{ meters}} = \frac{2 \text{ meters}}{4 \text{ meters}}$$

physical, or algebraic  
mathematical models

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By comparing the “shape ratios” for the original and new gardens, it can be shown that the rectangular gardens are similar.

$$\text{Original garden: } l : w = 2 : 1$$

$$\text{New garden: } l : w = 4 : 2$$

$$2 : 1 = 4 : 2$$

Since these ratios are equivalent, the gardens have similar shapes.

### Extension Questions

- This summer both families decided to fence in their gardens. Fencing costs \$1.50 per meter. Find the cost of the fence for each garden.

*The perimeter of the Marley garden this summer is 14 meters. At \$1.50 per meter, their cost for fencing is \$21.*

$$\text{Perimeter: } 2 \times 4 \text{ m} + 2 \times 3 \text{ m} = 14 \text{ m}$$

$$14 \text{ m} \times \$1.50 \text{ per meter} = \$21$$

*The perimeter of the Farley garden this summer is 12 meters. At \$1.50 per meter, their cost for fencing is \$18.*

$$\text{Perimeter: } 2 \times 2 \text{ m} + 2 \times 4 \text{ m} = 12 \text{ m}$$

$$12 \text{ m} \times \$1.50 \text{ per meter} = \$18$$

- If the Marleys had increased the dimensions of their garden by the same scale factor as the Farleys increased their garden, what would be the dimensions of the Marley garden this summer?

*If the dimensions of the Marley garden increased by the same scale factor of 2 as the Farley garden increased, the dimensions of the Marley garden this summer would be 4 meters by 6 meters.*

$$2 \text{ m} \times 2 = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$3 \text{ m} \times 2 = 6 \text{ m}$$

- How does the scale factor of 2 for the increase in the dimensions of the Farleys' garden affect the increase in area?

*The area of the Farley garden increased from  $2 \text{ m}^2$  to  $8 \text{ m}^2$ , which is a factor of 4. A factor of 4 is the square of the scale factor 2.*

$$\frac{8 \text{ m}^2}{2 \text{ m}^2} = \frac{4}{1}$$

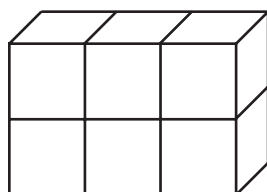
$$2^2 = 4$$

## Storage Boxes at the Marleys' and Farleys' grade 8

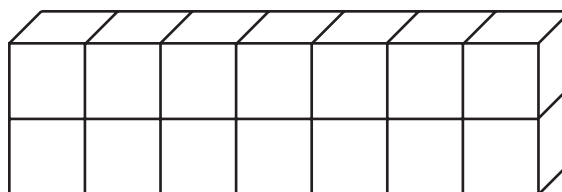
The Marley family and the Farley family are neighbors who live across the street from each other on Boxgarden Light Lane. They have been good friends for many years. Frequently, their projects for home improvement turn out to involve the same part of their homes. Both the Farleys and the Marleys have outdoor garden storage boxes for hoses, tools, etc. Last year, the Farleys' storage box looked like the rectangular prism in the diagram on the left and the Marleys' storage box looked like the rectangular prism in the diagram on the right.

For each storage box in the diagrams, one  $\square$  represents one meter.

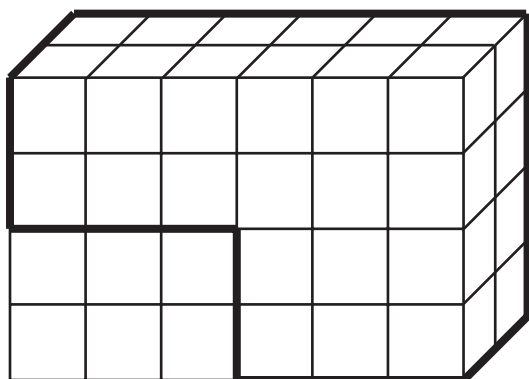
**Farleys' storage box last year**



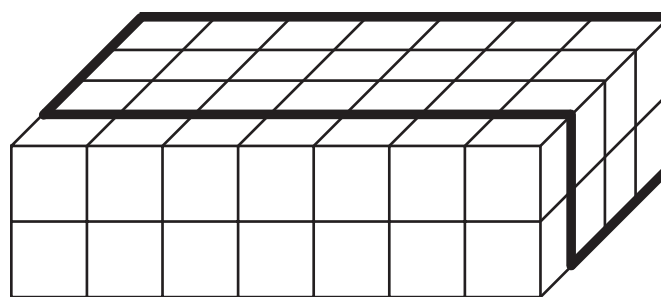
**Marleys' storage box last year**



This year the Farley family enlarged their storage box to look like the diagram on the left. The Marley family also enlarged their storage box to look like the diagram on the right.



**Farleys' storage box this year**



**Marleys' storage box this year**



1. What are the dimensions of each storage box?
2. Which family increased the size of their storage box more? Describe how you determined your response.
3. Is your response to problem 2 the only possible answer? Explain your thinking.
4. Is the Marleys' new storage box mathematically similar to their old storage box? Is the Farleys' new storage box mathematically similar to their old storage box? Explain how you know if they are similar.



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

Cubes or Isometric Dot Paper

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  $a = 1.4h$

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(A) compare and contrast proportional and non-proportional relationships

### Scaffolding Questions

- What are the dimensions of each storage box?
- By how many cubic meters did the Marley storage box increase?
- By how many cubic meters did the Farley storage box increase?
- What are some different ways to make numerical comparisons between the volume of the Marley storage boxes last year and this year? Between the volume of the Farley storage boxes last year and this year?
- What are the critical attributes of similar rectangular prisms?

### Sample Solutions

1. The dimensions of the Farleys' storage box last year were 3 meters by 1 meter by 2 meters. The dimensions of the Farleys' storage box this year are 6 meters by 2 meters by 4 meters.

The dimensions of the Marleys' storage box last year were 7 meters by 1 meter by 2 meters. The dimensions of the Marleys' storage box this year are 7 meters by 4 meters by 2 meters.

2. Neither family increased the volume of their storage box more than the other this year. Both families increased the volume of their storage boxes by 42 cubic meters. This absolute change is determined by the difference of their volumes.

$$\begin{aligned}3 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} &= 6 \text{ m}^3 \\6 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m} &= 48 \text{ m}^3 \\48 \text{ m}^3 - 6 \text{ m}^3 &= 42 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}7 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} &= 14 \text{ m}^3 \\7 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m} &= 56 \text{ m}^3 \\56 \text{ m}^3 - 14 \text{ m}^3 &= 42 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

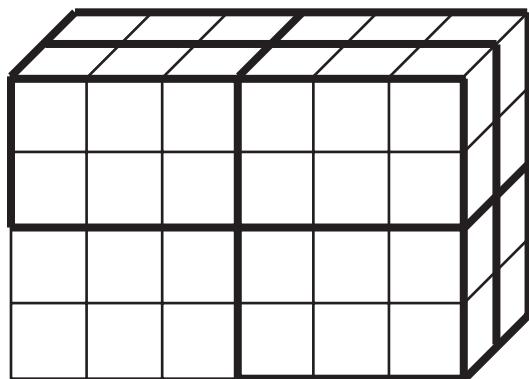
Cubes could also be used to model each box (Farleys' box last year and Farleys' box this year). A comparison of the number of cubes needed to build each Farley box would show a difference of 42 cubes. A comparison of the number of cubes needed to build each Marley box would show a difference of 42 cubes. Therefore, neither family increased the volume of their storage box more than the other family.

3. The response to problem 2 is not the only response. Another correct response would be that the volume of the Farley storage box increased more than the volume of the Marley storage box from last year to this year.

The Farley storage box increased from 6 cubic meters to 48 cubic meters. This is a 700% increase in the size of their storage box from last year to this year. This relative change can be determined using a visual model.

Use six cubes of one color to build the Farley storage box last year. Since the storage box increased by 42 cubic meters, use 42 cubes of another color to build as many storage boxes as possible that are the same as the one from last year.

Because 8 times 6 is 48, there should be 8 sets of 6 cubes altogether. The first set of 6 cubes represents the original volume of 6 cubic meters and 100%. There will be 7 more sets of 6 cubes each representing 100%, for a total of 700%. This set of 42 cubes of a different color represents a 700% increase in the volume of this year's box compared with the volume of last year's box.



(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(B) use geometric concepts and properties to solve problems in fields such as art and architecture

(8.8) Measurement. The student uses procedures to determine measures of solids. The student is expected to:

(B) connect models to formulas for volume of prisms, cylinders, pyramids, and cones

(C) estimate answers and use formulas to solve application problems involving surface area and volume

(8.9) Measurement. The student uses indirect measurement to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(B) use proportional relationships in similar shapes to find missing measurements

(8.10) Measurement. The student describes how changes in dimensions affect linear, area, and volume measures. The student is expected to:

(B) describe the resulting effect on volume when dimensions of a solid are changed proportionally

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates

Another way to show this relative change is by using a ratio expressed as a fraction and its equivalent percentage. The ratio is the ratio of the number of cubic meters of increase in volume to the original volume.

$$\frac{42 \text{ m}^3}{6 \text{ m}^3} = \frac{7}{1} = \frac{700}{100} = 700\%$$

The volume of the Marley storage box increased from 14 cubic meters to 56 cubic meters. This is a 300% increase in the size of their storage box from last year to this year. This relative change can be modeled with cubes as described in the Farley problem. Use 14 cubes of one color to build the Marley storage box for last year. Then use 42 cubes of a different color to build 3 more boxes.

Because 4 times 14 is 56, there should be 4 sets of 14 cubes altogether. The first set of 14 cubes represents the original volume of 14 cubic meters and 100%. There will be 3 more sets of 14 cubes, each representing 100%, for a total of 300%. This set of 42 cubes of a different color represents a 300% increase in the volume of this year's box compared to the volume of last year's box.

This can also be demonstrated using the ratio of the number of cubic meters of increase in volume to the original volume.

$$\frac{42 \text{ m}^3}{14 \text{ m}^3} = \frac{3}{1} = \frac{300}{100} = 300\%$$

4. The Marley storage boxes do not represent similar solids. Although corresponding angles are congruent, all three corresponding dimensions do not increase by a scale factor. The length and height did not change; however, the width changed from 1 meter to 4 meters, a factor of 4. If the solids were similar the dimensions would have all changed by the same scale factor.

The Farley storage boxes do represent similar solids. Corresponding angles are 90 degrees because the storage boxes are rectangular prisms. Corresponding dimensions increased by a scale factor of 2. The

length increased from 3 meters to 6 meters. The width increased from 1 meter to 2 meters, and the height increased from 2 meters to 4 meters. The ratios of the lengths of corresponding sides are equal.

$$\frac{\text{this year's box length}}{\text{last year's box length}} = \frac{6}{3} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{\text{this year's box depth}}{\text{last year's box depth}} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{\text{this year's box height}}{\text{last year's box height}} = \frac{4}{2} = \frac{2}{1}$$

### Extension Questions

- If the Marleys had increased their storage box by the same scale factor as the Farleys increased their storage box, what would be the dimensions of the Marleys' storage box this year?

*If the Marleys had increased the dimensions of their storage box by the same scale factor of 2 as the Farleys' storage box, the dimensions of the Marleys' storage box this year would be 14 meters by 2 meters by 4 meters.*

$$7 \text{ m} \times 2 = 14 \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ m} \times 2 = 2 \text{ m}$$

$$2 \text{ m} \times 2 = 4 \text{ m}$$

- How does a change in dimensions by a scale factor of 2 affect the surface area of the Farleys' storage box? The volume of the Farleys' storage box?

*We can express this relationship by comparing the scale factor for the changes in dimensions and the scale factor for surface areas of the two boxes. The corresponding dimensions of the Farleys' boxes from last year to this year changed by a scale factor of 2. The corresponding surface areas from last year to this year changed by a scale factor of 4. Therefore, a scale factor change of 2 in corresponding dimensions of the two similar boxes results in a scale factor change of 2 squared in corresponding surface areas of the boxes.*

understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

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*Surface area of the Farleys' storage box last year*

$$2(3 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m}) + 2(3 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}) + 2(2 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}) = \\ 2(6 \text{ m}^2 + 3 \text{ m}^2 + 2 \text{ m}^2) = 22 \text{ m}^2$$

*Surface area of the Farleys' storage box this year*

$$2(6 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m}) + 2(6 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m}) + 2(4 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m}) = \\ 2(24 \text{ m}^2 + 12 \text{ m}^2 + 8 \text{ m}^2) = 88 \text{ m}^2$$

*Ratio of surface areas*

$$\frac{88 \text{ m}^2}{22 \text{ m}^2} = \frac{4}{1}$$

*The ratio of the surface areas is 4 : 1 or 2<sup>2</sup> : 1.*

- How does the scale factor of 2 for the increase in the dimensions of the Farleys' storage box affect the increase in the volume of the storage box?

*The volume of the Farleys' storage box increased by a factor of 8. This is the cube of 2, the scale factor for the increase in corresponding dimensions.*

*Volume of the Farleys' storage box last year*

$$3 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} = 6 \text{ m}^3$$

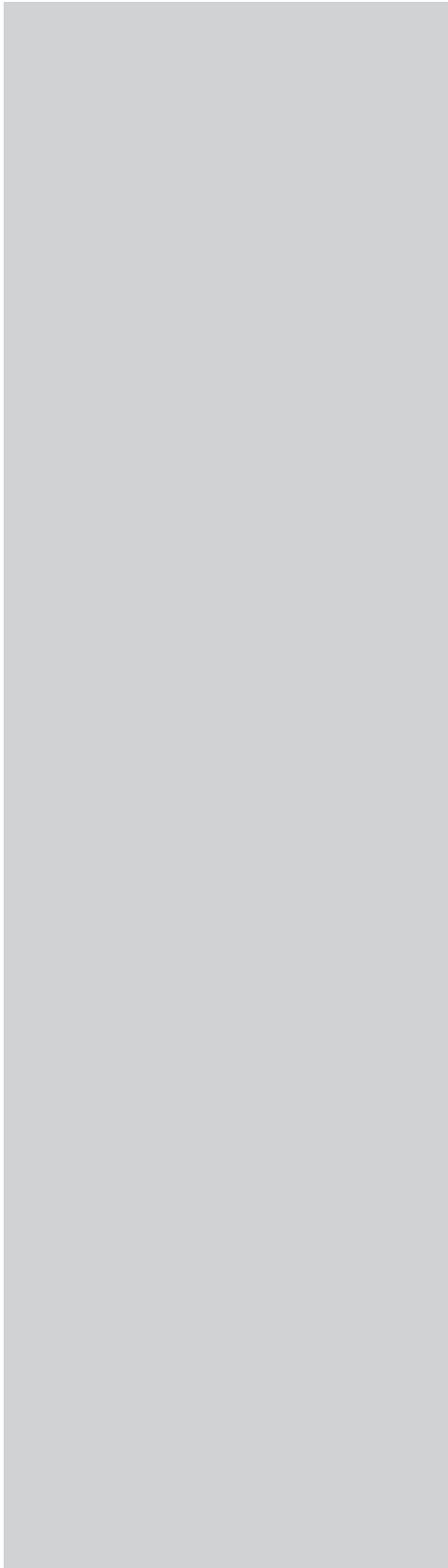
*Volume of the Farley's storage box this year*

$$6 \text{ m} \times 2 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m} = 48 \text{ m}^3$$

*Ratio of the volumes*

$$\frac{48 \text{ m}^3}{6 \text{ m}^3} = \frac{8}{1}$$

*The ratio of the surface areas is 8 : 1 or 2<sup>3</sup> : 1.*



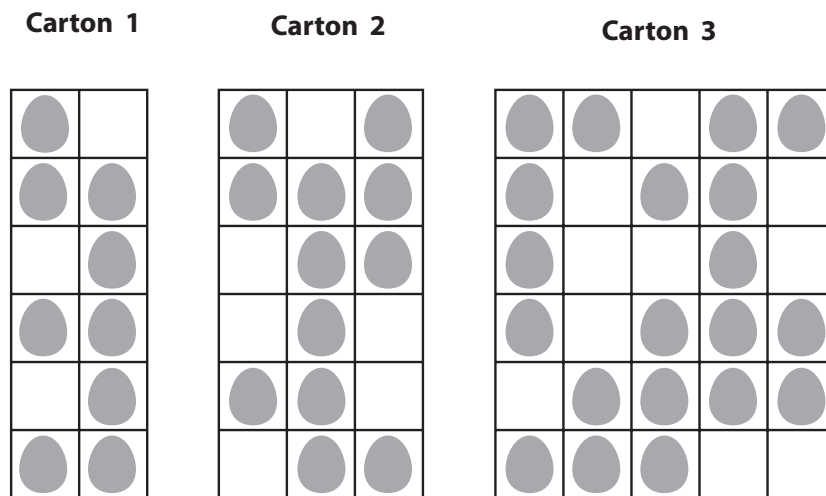




## Extravaganza grade 6

Festive cascarones (hollowed out eggs filled with confetti) are believed to date back to the Renaissance days. Today, children bump the cascarones on the heads of others and make a wish. If the eggshell breaks and showers the recipient's head with confetti, it is said the wish will come true.

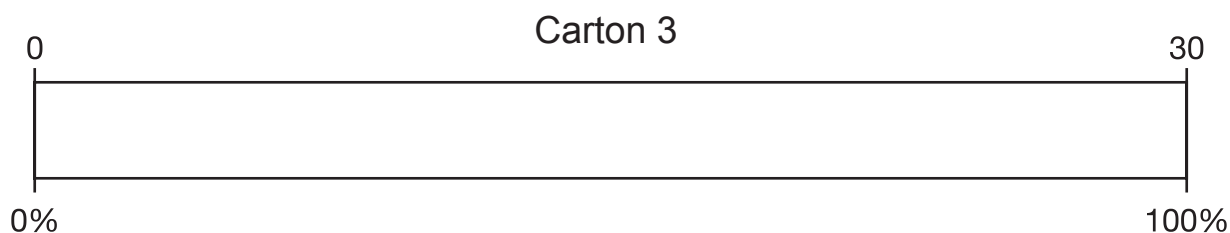
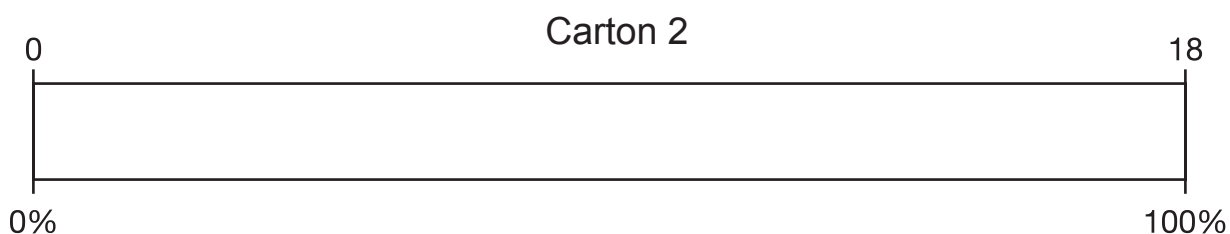
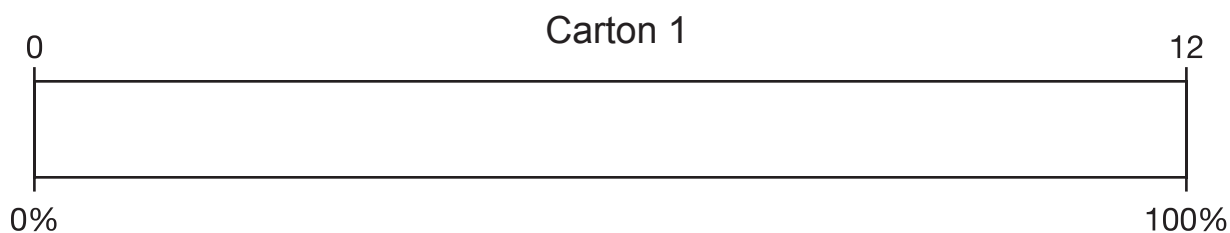
Juanita and her friends are creating cascarones for a party. They are filling each egg with 625 milligrams of confetti. The friends are using recycled egg cartons of different sizes to hold their cascarones. Carton 1 can hold one dozen cascarones. Carton 2 can hold one-and-a-half dozen cascarones. Carton 3 can hold two-and-a-half dozen cascarones. The diagrams below show how much of the cartons have been filled at this time.



- Complete the following information about each carton.

Carton number	Carton 1	Carton 2	Carton 3
Number of spaces with an egg			
Number of spaces without an egg			
Number of spaces in carton			
Fraction of spaces with an egg			
Fraction of spaces without an egg			

2. Shade each bar to show the amount of cascarones currently in each carton.



3. Which carton has more eggs? Explain your answer using the information from the diagrams and problems 1 and 2.
4. What is the total number of grams of confetti needed if all spaces in all three cartons are filled?
5. Suppose that 6 more cartons, labeled 4 through 9, were also available. Complete the table so that the number of spaces with an egg and the number of spaces without an egg in cartons 4 through 9 are proportional to the number of spaces with an egg and the number of spaces without an egg in carton 2.

Carton number	2	4	5	6	7	8	9
Number of spaces with an egg	12				30		2
Number of spaces without an egg	6		30			14	
Total number of spaces in carton	18	6		24			



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

(6.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses letters as variables in mathematical expressions to describe how one quantity changes when a related quantity changes. The student is expected to:

A) Use tables and symbols to represent and describe proportional and

### Scaffolding Questions

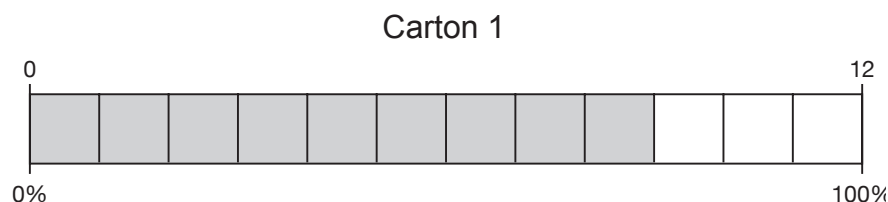
- How many individual eggs are in a dozen eggs?
- How many individual eggs are in  $1\frac{1}{2}$  dozen eggs?
- How many individual eggs are in  $2\frac{1}{2}$  dozen eggs?
- Where would the benchmark fractions  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\frac{3}{4}$  be located on the fraction bar?
- What percentages are equivalent to the benchmarks  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\frac{3}{4}$  ?
- How can a comparison be made among the three egg cartons using fractions and percentages?
- How many milligrams are equivalent to one gram?

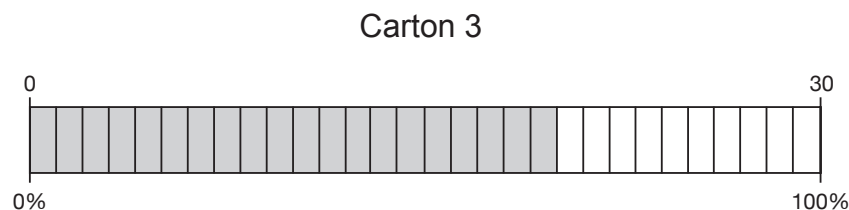
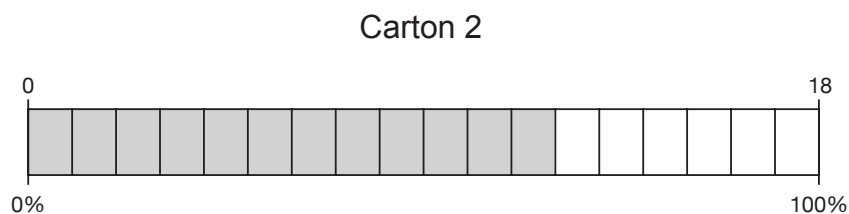
### Sample Solutions

1.

Carton number	Carton 1	Carton 2	Carton 3
Number of spaces with an egg	9	12	20
Number of spaces without an egg	3	6	10
Number of spaces in carton	12	18	30
Fraction of spaces with an egg	$\frac{9}{12}$	$\frac{12}{18}$	$\frac{20}{30}$
Fraction of spaces without an egg	$\frac{3}{12}$	$\frac{6}{18}$	$\frac{10}{30}$

2. The bars are marked with the number of spaces available in each carton. The number of spaces shaded is the number of eggs in the carton.





3. One correct response is that carton 3 has more eggs because it has 20 eggs, while cartons 2 and 1 have 12 eggs and 9 eggs respectively, and  $20 > 12 > 9$ . Another correct response is that carton 1 has more eggs proportionally. Carton 1 is  $\frac{3}{4}$  or 75% filled, while both cartons 2 and 3 are  $\frac{2}{3}$ , or  $66\frac{2}{3}\%$  filled.

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{12}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$$

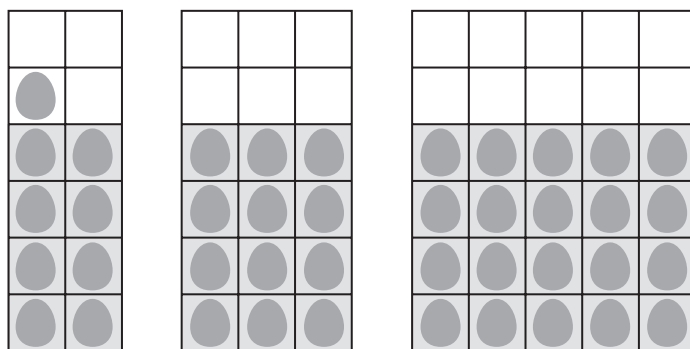
$$\frac{9}{12} > \frac{8}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} > \frac{2}{3}$$

$$75\% > 66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

The proportional comparison can also be shown visually by altering the cascarones' positions in the egg cartons.

The shaded parts represent  $\frac{2}{3}$  of each carton.



other relationships involving conversions, sequences, perimeter, area, etc.

(6.8) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement of length, area, time, temperature, capacity, weight, and angles. The student is expected to:

(D) convert measures within the same measurement system (customary and metric) based on relationships between units

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

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4. There are  $12 + 18 + 30$ , or 60 spaces available. Since each cascarone gets filled with 625 mg of confetti, the following proportions can be used to find that 37.5 grams of confetti are needed if all spaces in all three cartons are filled.

$$\frac{1 \text{ egg}}{625 \text{ mg of confetti}} = \frac{60 \text{ eggs}}{x \text{ mg of confetti}}$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ egg}}{625 \text{ mg of confetti}} \times \frac{60}{60} = \frac{60 \text{ eggs}}{37,500 \text{ mg of confetti}}$$

$$\frac{1,000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ gram}} = \frac{37,500 \text{ mg}}{y \text{ grams}}$$

$$\frac{1,000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ gram}} \times \frac{37.5}{37.5} = \frac{37,500 \text{ mg}}{37.5 \text{ grams}}$$

5. If there is a proportional relationship between the number of eggs in carton 2 and the number in cartons 4 through 9, there is a scale factor that can be determined for each set according to what information is given in the table.

Carton 4:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces in carton 4}}{\text{number of spaces in carton 2}} = \frac{6}{18} = \frac{1}{3}$$

The scale factor is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by  $\frac{1}{3}$  to determine the unknown amounts in carton 4.

$$12 \times \frac{1}{3} = 4 \qquad 6 \times \frac{1}{3} = 2$$

Carton 5:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces without an egg in carton 5}}{\text{number of spaces without an egg in carton 2}} = \frac{30}{6} = \frac{5}{1}$$

The scale factor is 5.

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by 5 to determine the unknown amounts in carton 4.

$$12 \times 5 = 60 \qquad 18 \times 5 = 90$$

Carton 6:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces in carton 6}}{\text{number of spaces in carton 2}} = \frac{24}{18} = \frac{4}{3}$$

The scale factor is  $\frac{4}{3}$ .

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by  $\frac{4}{3}$  to determine the unknown amounts in carton 6.

$$12 \times \frac{4}{3} = 16 \qquad 6 \times \frac{4}{3} = 8$$

Carton 7:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces with an egg in carton 7}}{\text{number of spaces with an egg in carton 2}} = \frac{30}{12} = \frac{5}{2}$$

The scale factor is  $\frac{5}{2}$ .

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by  $\frac{5}{2}$  to determine the unknown amounts in carton 7.

$$6 \times \frac{5}{2} = 15 \qquad 18 \times \frac{5}{2} = 45$$

Carton 8:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces without an egg in carton 8}}{\text{number of spaces without an egg in carton 2}} = \frac{14}{6} = \frac{7}{3}$$

The scale factor is  $\frac{7}{3}$ .

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by  $\frac{7}{3}$  to determine the unknown amounts in carton 8.

$$12 \times \frac{7}{3} = 28 \qquad 18 \times \frac{7}{3} = 42$$



Carton 9:

$$\frac{\text{number of spaces with an egg in carton 9}}{\text{number of spaces with an egg in carton 2}} = \frac{2}{12} = \frac{1}{6}$$

The scale factor is  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

Multiply the amounts in carton 2 by  $\frac{1}{6}$  to determine the unknown amounts in carton 9.

$$6 \times \frac{1}{6} = 1 \qquad 18 \times \frac{1}{6} = 3$$

The table has been completed using this information.

Carton number	2	4	5	6	7	8	9
Number of spaces with an egg	12	4	60	16	30	28	2
Number of spaces without an egg	6	2	30	8	15	14	1
Total number of spaces in carton	18	6	90	24	45	42	3

### Extension Questions

- If there were two cartons filled exactly like carton 1, two cartons filled exactly like carton 2, and two cartons filled exactly like carton 3, which cartons would have more cascarones?

*A chart describing the new situation is shown below.*

Carton number	Carton 1	Carton 2	Carton 3
Number of spaces with an egg	18	24	40
Number of spaces without an egg	6	12	20
Number of spaces in carton	24	36	60
Fraction of spaces with an egg	$\frac{18}{24} = \frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{24}{36} = \frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{40}{60} = \frac{2}{3}$
Fraction of spaces without an egg	$\frac{6}{24} = \frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{12}{36} = \frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{20}{60} = \frac{1}{3}$

Using absolute thinking, it can be found that the two number 3 cartons have more cascarones, since  $40 > 24 > 18$ .

Using relative thinking, it can be found that the fractions for spaces with eggs are equivalent to the fractions when there was only one carton of each size, so the two number 1 cartons have more cascarones proportionally than do the two number 2 cartons or the two number 3 cartons.

$$\frac{18}{24} = \frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4} = 75\%$$

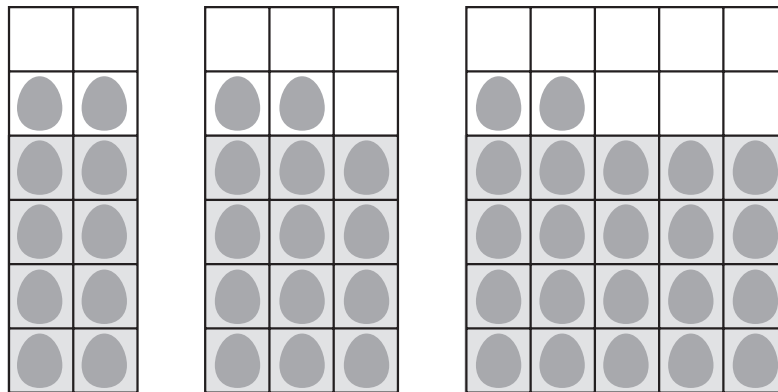
$$\frac{24}{36} = \frac{12}{18} = \frac{2}{3} = 66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

$$\frac{40}{60} = \frac{20}{30} = \frac{2}{3} = 66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

$$75\% > 66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

- If one more cascarone was added to carton 1 and two more cascarones were added to cartons 2 and 3, which carton would have more cascarones proportionally?

The new cartons could look like these diagrams.



The following table shows the statistics for the new diagrams.

Carton number	Carton 1	Carton 2	Carton 3
Number of spaces with an egg	10	14	22
Number of spaces without an egg	2	4	8
Number of spaces in carton	12	18	30
Fraction of spaces with an egg	$\frac{10}{12}$	$\frac{14}{18}$	$\frac{22}{30}$
Fraction of spaces without an egg	$\frac{2}{12}$	$\frac{4}{18}$	$\frac{8}{30}$

Comparing the fraction of spaces with an egg, carton 1 has more eggs proportionally.

$$\text{Carton \#1: } \frac{10}{12} = \frac{5}{6} = \frac{150}{180}$$

$$\text{Carton \#2: } \frac{14}{18} = \frac{7}{9} = \frac{140}{180}$$

$$\text{Carton \#3: } \frac{22}{30} = \frac{11}{15} = \frac{132}{180}$$

$$\frac{150}{180} > \frac{140}{180} > \frac{132}{180}$$

$$\frac{10}{12} > \frac{14}{18} > \frac{22}{30}$$

## Matchmaker grade 6

Follow the pattern to complete each table.

Cut out each verbal description, table, graph, and equation. For each measurement relationship, match the verbal description, the table, the graph, and the rule that correspond to each other. Glue the corresponding representations on another sheet of paper.

State at least three reasons why the relationships are proportional. Use examples from a variety of representations.

The number of grams is equal to 1000 times the number of kilograms.

The number of centimeters is equal to 100 times the number of meters.

The number of fluid ounces is equal to 8 times the number of cups.

The number of inches is equal to 36 times the number of yards.

x	y
1	8
2	16
3	
4	
5	
6	48

$$y = 36x$$

x	y
1	1000
2	2000
3	
4	
5	5000
6	

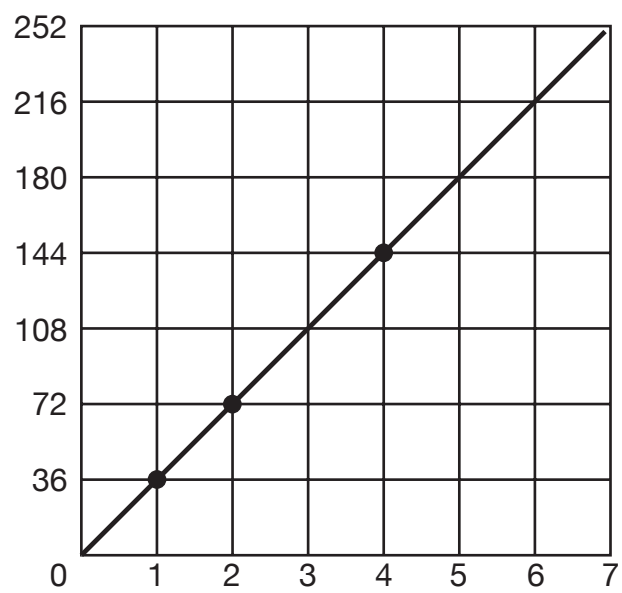
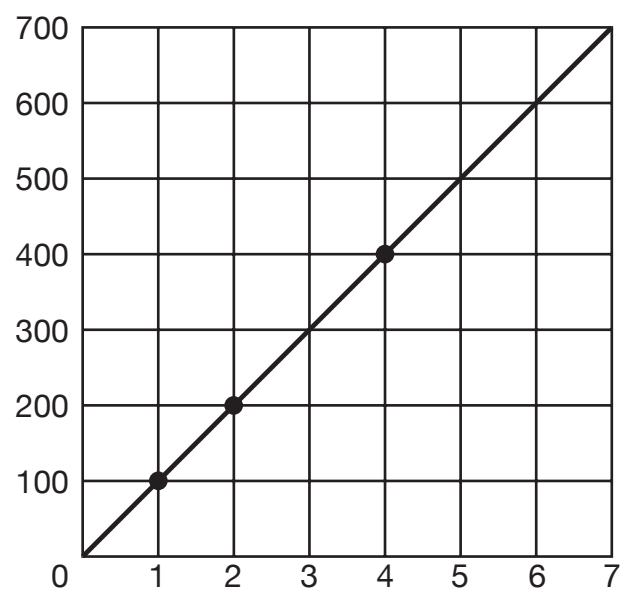
$$y = 100x$$

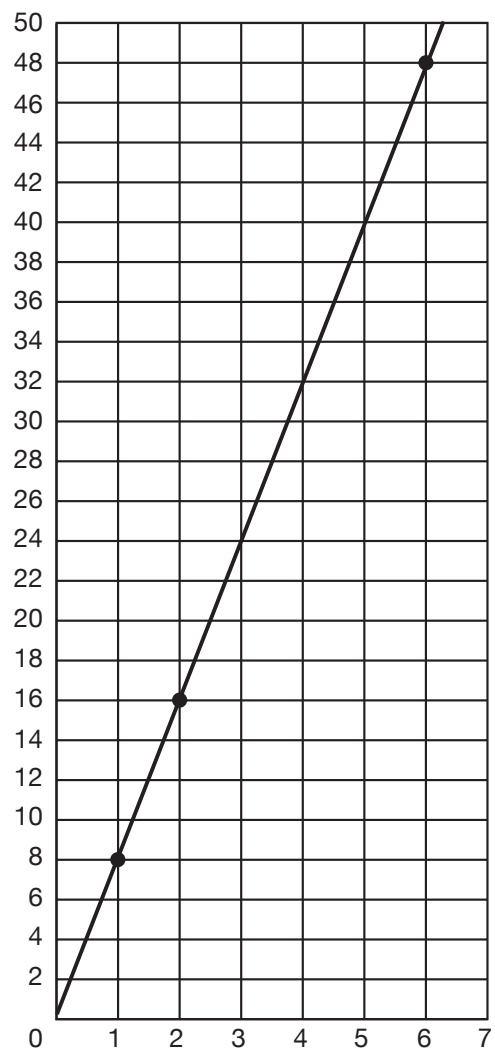
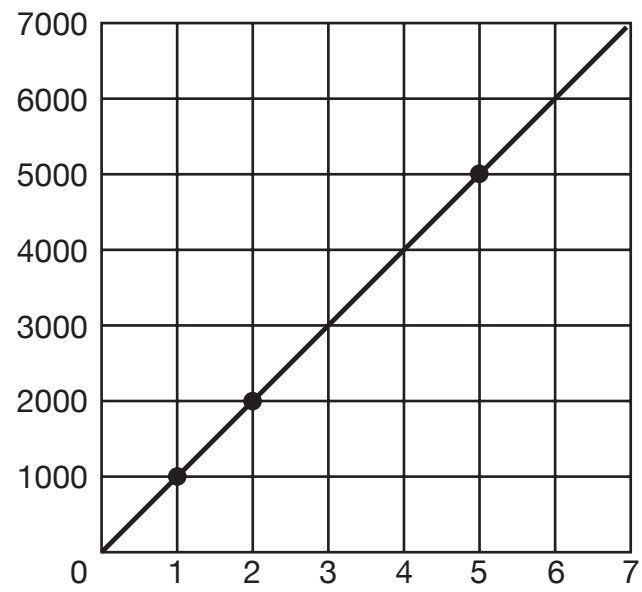
x	y
1	100
2	200
3	
4	400
5	
6	

$$y = 8x$$

x	y
1	36
2	72
3	
4	144
5	
6	

$$y = 1000x$$





## Materials

Calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.8) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement of length, area, time, temperature, capacity, weight, and angles.

(D) convert measures within the same measurement system (customary and metric) based on relationships between units

(6.10) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical representations to analyze data.

(D) solve problems by collecting, organizing, displaying, and interpreting data

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models.

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- In the table, what is the ratio  $y : x$  for each ordered pair  $(x, y)$ ?
- What is the significance of this ratio  $y : x$ ?
- What does the ordered pair  $(1, 8)$  mean in words?
- How do you graph the ordered pair  $(2, 16)$ ?
- What is the relationship between the number of kilograms and the number of grams?
- How many centimeters are there in 1 meter? 2 meters? 3 meters?
- How many fluid ounces are there in 1 cup? 2 cups? 3 cups?
- How many inches are there in 1 yard?
- How can you find the number of inches in 2 yards? 3 yards?
- How could you write an equation that expresses the relationship between the number of inches and the number of yards? The number of fluid ounces and the number of cups?
- How can you identify a proportional relationship from a table? Graph? Equation?

### Sample Solutions

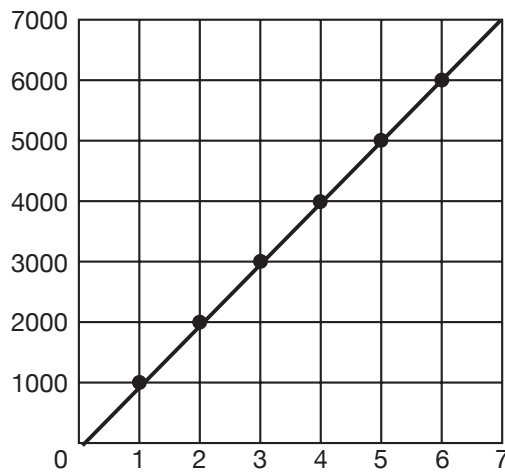
The first match with the graph, verbal description, equation, and table is given below. Each representation shows the relationship between the number of grams and the number of kilograms. The verbal description states that the number of grams is 1,000 times the number of kilograms. The formula  $y = 1,000x$  follows from this statement, where  $y$  represents the number of grams and  $x$ , the number of kilograms. The rate is 1,000 kilograms per gram. The formula or rule can also be derived from the table using a process column to show  $1,000(1)$ ,  $1,000(2)$ ,  $1,000(3)$  . . .  $1,000(x)$ .

Each ordered pair of the graph shows this multiplicative relationship.

$x$	$y$
1	1,000
2	2,000
3	3,000
4	4,000
5	5,000
6	6,000

The number of grams is equal to 1,000 times the number of kilograms.

$$y = 1,000x$$



The second match shows the connections among the different representations for the relationship between the number of fluid ounces and the number of cups. In the table, the ratio of  $y : x$  is  $8 : 1$  and can be expressed as  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{8}{1}$ . Since  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{8}{1}$ , the equation  $y = 8x$  can be written, where  $y$  represents the number of fluid ounces and  $x$ , the number of cups. The equation  $y = 8x$  states that the number of fluid ounces is 8 times the number of cups. The rate is 8 ounces per cup. Each ordered pair on the graph lies on the line  $y = 8x$ . Any point in the first quadrant on this line would represent this relationship. For example, the point  $(1.5, 12)$  means that 1.5 cups contains 12 ounces.

tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(6.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions.

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.

Objective 4: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and uses of measurement.

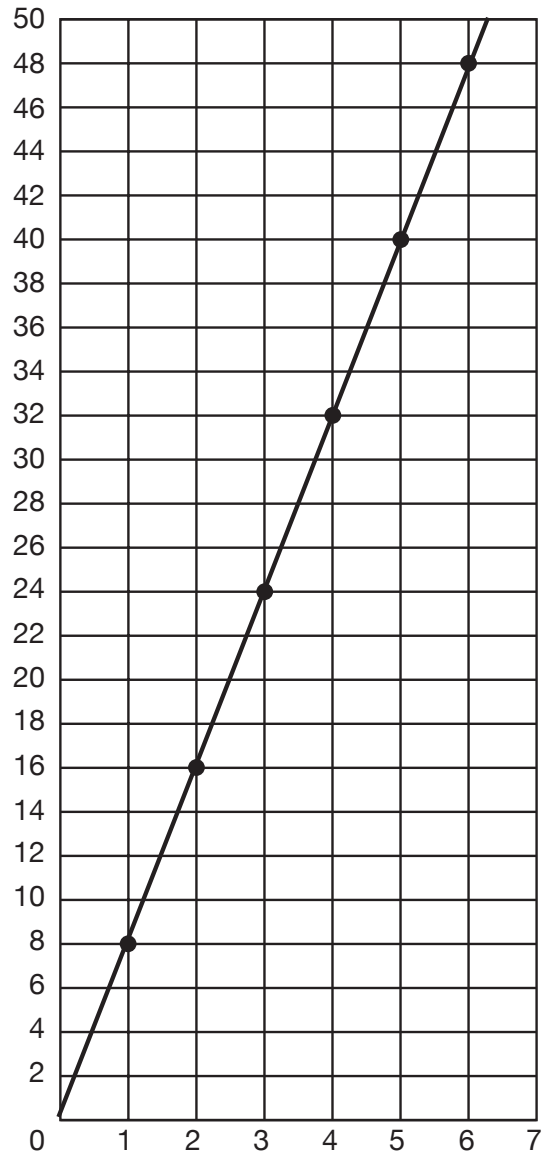
Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.



$x$	$y$
1	8
2	16
3	24
4	32
5	40
6	48

The number of fluid ounces is equal to 8 times the number of cups.

$$y = 8x$$

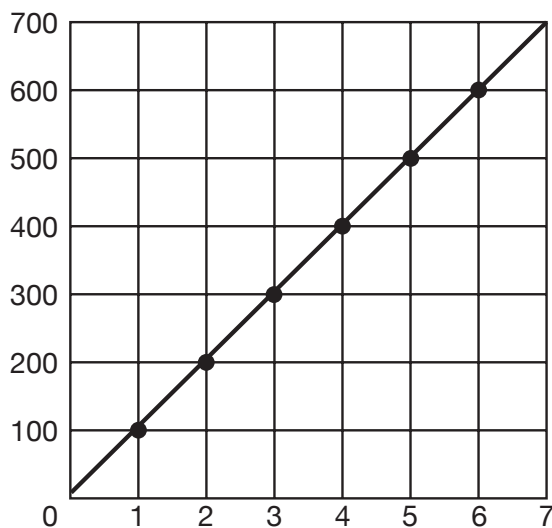


The third match makes connections among the different representations, all of which show the relationship between the number of centimeters and the number of meters. Each ordered pair on the graph represents an ordered pair of measurements that have a multiplicative relationship. The  $y$ -value is 100 times the  $x$ -value on the graph because the number of centimeters  $y$  is 100 times the number of meters  $x$ . The rate is 100 centimeters per meter. This relationship can be observed in the verbal statement, table, graph, and rule.

$x$	$y$
1	100
2	200
3	300
4	400
5	500
6	600

The number of centimeters is equal to 100 times the number of meters.

$$y = 100x$$

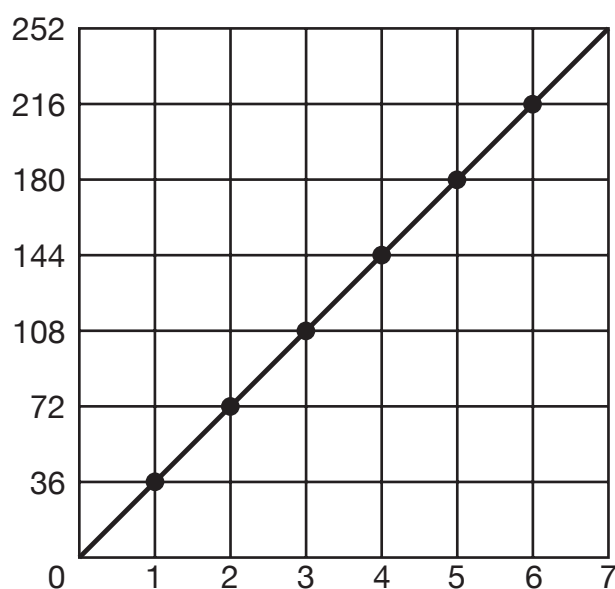


The fourth match shows the relationship between the number of inches and the number of yards. In each representation, the number of inches is 36 times the number of yards. The rate is 36 inches per yard. The graph shows that for each increase of 1 yard there is an increase of 36 inches. This can also be observed in the table by making vertical comparisons of consecutive values for  $x$  and  $y$ .

$x$	$y$
1	36
2	72
3	108
4	144
5	180
6	216

The number of inches is equal to 36 times the number of yards.

$$y = 36x$$



All four of these measurement conversions are proportional relationships because they have the following characteristics of a proportional relationship:

- When the points are connected on each graph with a line, the line contains the point  $(0,0)$ . In a proportional relationship, the line containing the data points also contains the origin.
- In each of these relationships, the ratio of  $y : x$  is a constant  $k$ .

number of grams : number of kilograms = 1,000 : 1

number of fluid ounces : number of cups = 8 : 1

number of centimeters : number of meters = 100 : 1

number of inches : number of yards = 36 : 1

This constant  $k$  is called the constant of proportionality.

Each of these problems has an equation of the form  $y = kx$ .

$$y = 1,000x$$

$$y = 100x$$

$$y = 8x$$

$$y = 36x$$

- There is a multiplicative relationship between the numbers in the ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  for each of the situations. For example, the ordered pair  $(3, 108)$  in the fourth match shows that the number of inches in 3 yards is  $3 \times 36$ , or 108. Another way to think about this relationship is as follows: The number of yards in 108 inches is  $108 \div 36$ , or 3.

### Extension Questions

- Does the point  $(8, 288)$  belong to any of the four relationships? If so, what does it mean?

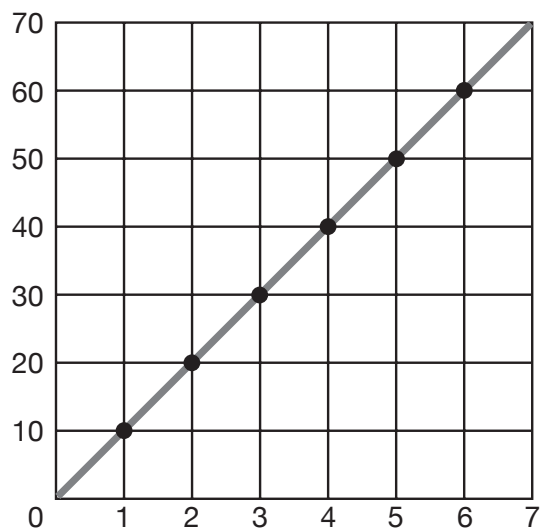
*The point  $(8, 288)$  belongs to the relationship between yards and inches. Since 1 yard contains 36 inches, 8 times 36 is 288, the number of inches in 8 yards.*

- What are verbal, tabular, symbolic, and graphical representations for the relationship between millimeters and centimeters? Explain how each representation models the characteristics of a proportional relationship.

$x$	$y$
1	10
2	20
3	30
4	40
5	50
6	60

The number of millimeters is equal to 10 times the number of centimeters.

$$y = 10x$$



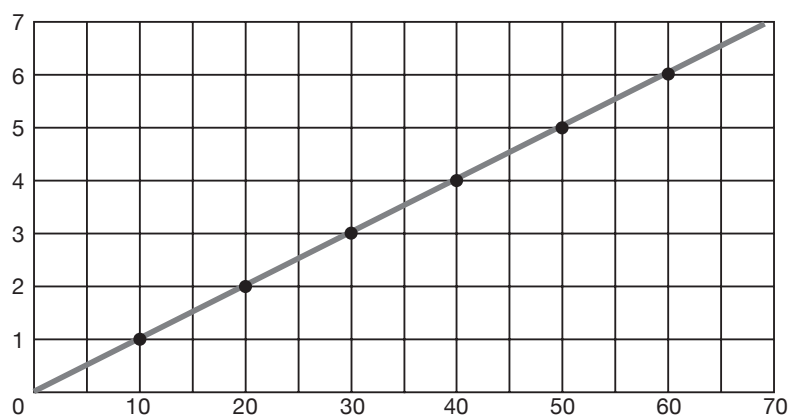
The graph shows a line that passes through the origin. The ratio  $\frac{y}{x}$  is a constant 10 for all ordered pairs  $(x, y)$ . This ratio  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{10}{1}$  can be expressed as  $y = 10x$ , which is of the form  $y = kx$  for a proportional relationship. The verbal description states a multiplicative relationship between the number of centimeters and the number of millimeters: The number of millimeters is 10 times the number of centimeters.

The following representations show another way of stating the relationship between millimeters and centimeters: The number of centimeters is  $\frac{1}{10}$  the number of millimeters where  $y$  represents the number of centimeters and  $x$  represents the number of millimeters. The ordered pair  $(30, 3)$  on the graph shows the multiplicative relationship between the number of millimeters and the number of centimeters: 30 millimeters is 10 times the number of centimeters.

$x$	$y$
10	1
20	2
30	3
40	4
50	5
60	6

The number of centimeters is equal to  $\frac{1}{10}$  times the number of millimeters.

$$y = \frac{1}{10} x$$

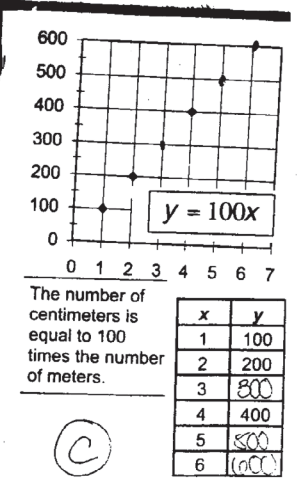
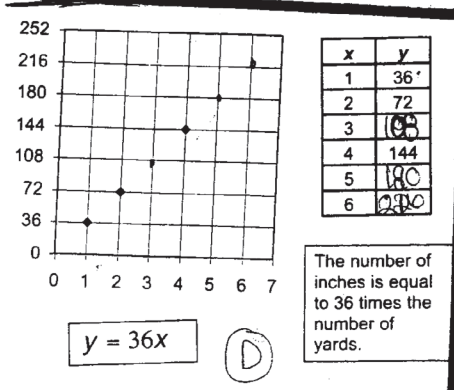
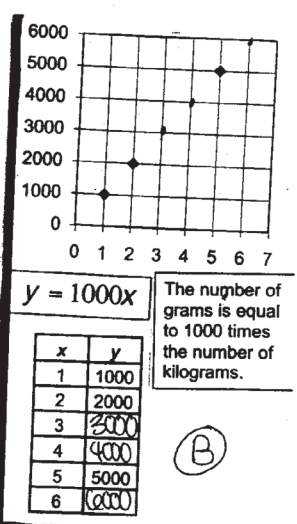
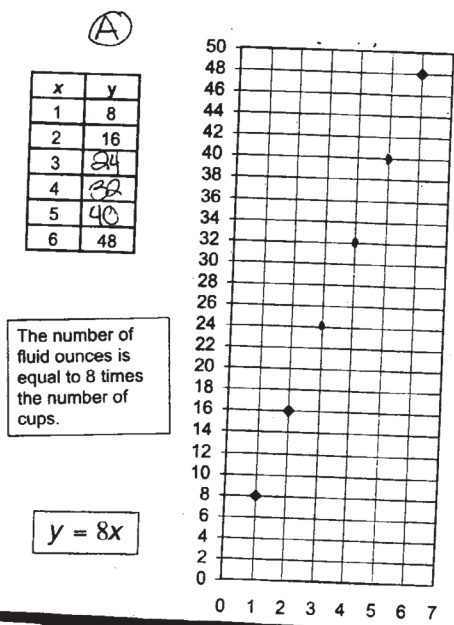
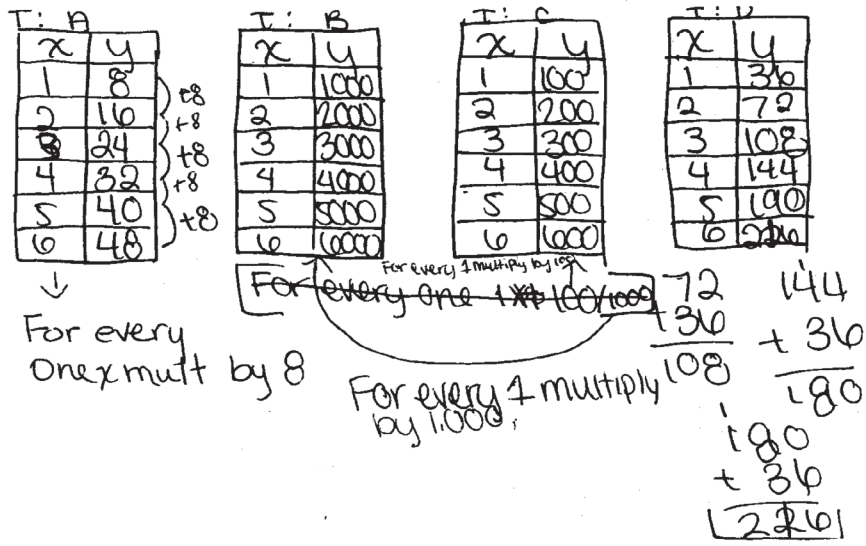


## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows that the student recognizes that there is proportional growth in the tables.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them





There is a number you can multiply  $x$  by to get  $y$  in every table. ex:

T:A multiply by 8, T:B multiply by multiply 1000, T:C multiply by 100, and T:D multiply by 36. (T:A means table A)

When I connect the points on the graph it forms a line which crosses at  $(0,0)$  or the origin.

If you look at the equation the number in front of the  $x$  tells you what to multiply by. ex:

$$y = 8x \quad \text{if } x = 9 \text{ then } 8 \times 9 = 72$$

## Bug Juice grade 7

When campers get thirsty, out comes the well-known camp beverage: Bug Juice!

The Camp Big Sky version of this popular beverage is made with four ounces of Mix A added to tap water to make two quarts of Bug Juice. Four ounces of Mix A costs \$0.78.

The Camp Wild Flowers version of Bug Juice is made from a package of Mix B. It takes 0.14 of an ounce of mix with 4 ounces of sugar and tap water to make two quarts. Mix B costs \$0.20 a package. Sugar costs \$0.36 a pound.

Each camp has 180 campers. During a typical day, each camper drinks two 8-ounce cups of Bug Juice.

1. Each camp has budgeted \$30 for their daily Bug Juice. Is \$30 a day enough? How do you know?
2. Campers begin to complain. They want their Bug Juice “buggier.” How could each camp change their recipe, continue to serve 180 campers two 8-ounce cups of Bug Juice daily, and not spend more than a budget of \$40 a day for Bug Juice? Explain your reasoning.

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

Measurement conversion charts (one per student)

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions.

(B) use addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division to solve problems involving fractions and decimals

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships.

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional

### Scaffolding Questions

- How are cups and fluid ounces related?
- How are pounds and solid ounces related?
- How many ounces does each camper drink per day?
- What are some different strategies that you could use to determine how many ounces of Bug Juice 180 campers drink per day?
- What is the cost of 2 quarts of Bug Juice for Camp Big Sky? Camp Wild Flowers?
- How could you use equivalent ratios to find the cost of Bug Juice for 180 campers per day?
- How could you use a proportion to help solve this problem?

### Sample Solution

1. The budgeted amount of \$30 is enough for Camp Wild Flowers, but it is not enough for Camp Big Sky.

Multiply both parts of the ratio  $\frac{16 \text{ ounces}}{1 \text{ camper}}$  by the scale factor 180 to get an equivalent ratio  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{180 \text{ campers}}$ .

$$\frac{16 \text{ ounces}}{1 \text{ camper}} \times \frac{180}{180} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{180 \text{ campers}}$$

The ratio  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{180 \text{ campers}}$  means 2,880 ounces of Bug Juice are needed for 180 campers who drink 16 ounces of Bug Juice daily.

There are 64 ounces in 1 recipe of Bug Juice (2 quarts).

$$\frac{2 \text{ quarts}}{1 \text{ recipe of Bug Juice}} \times \frac{8 \text{ ounces}}{1 \text{ cup}} \times \frac{2 \text{ cups}}{1 \text{ pint}} \times \frac{2 \text{ pints}}{1 \text{ quart}} = \frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{1 \text{ recipe of Bug Juice}}$$

At Camp Big Sky, 2 quarts, or 64 ounces of Bug Juice costs \$0.78. Knowing that 2,880 ounces are needed for 180 campers, the following proportion can be written to find the cost,  $c$ , for 180 campers.

$$\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.78} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{c}$$

Since  $2,880 \div 64 = 45$ , the ratio  $\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.78}$  multiplied by  $\frac{45}{45}$  equals  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{\$35.10}$ . The cost for 180 campers at Camp Big Sky to have two 8-ounce cups of Bug Juice using Mix A is \$35.10, which is greater than the \$30 budgeted.

At Camp Wild Flowers, the cost for 2 quarts of their version of Bug Juice is determined by adding the cost of Mix B, \$0.20 for 0.14 of an ounce, to the cost of 4 ounces of sugar. Knowing that sugar costs \$0.36 for 1 pound or 16 ounces, the following proportion can be solved to find the cost of 4 ounces of sugar,  $s$ .

$$\frac{\$0.36}{16 \text{ ounces}} = \frac{s}{4 \text{ ounces}}$$

Since  $4 \div 16 = \frac{4}{16}$  or  $\frac{1}{4}$ , the ratio  $\frac{\$0.36}{16 \text{ ounces}}$  multiplied by  $\frac{1}{4}$  equals  $\frac{\$0.09}{4 \text{ ounces}}$ .

Thus, 4 ounces of sugar cost \$0.09.

Add the cost of 4 ounces of sugar to the cost of Mix B ( $\$0.09 + \$0.20 = \$0.29$ ) to get the total cost of 2 quarts of Bug Juice.

Knowing that 2,880 ounces are needed for 180 campers, the following proportion can be written to find the cost,  $c$ , for 180 campers at Camp Wild Flowers.

$$\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.29} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{c}$$

relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.9) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement. The student is expected to estimate measurements and solve application problems involving length (including perimeter and circumference), area, and volume

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

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Multiplying the ratio  $\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.29}$  by  $\frac{45}{45}$  equals  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{\$13.05}$ . A scale factor of 45 increases from 64 ounces to 2,880 ounces. The cost for 180 campers at Camp Wild Flowers to have two 8-ounce cups of Bug Juice using Mix B is \$13.05, which is less than the budgeted \$30 amount.

2. Answers will vary. Here is one possible solution.

At Camp Big Sky, the Bug Juice can be made slightly “buggier” and still fit the new \$40 budget by adding  $\frac{1}{8}$  more of the original Mix A to the tap water. The cost will be  $1\frac{1}{8}$  times the original cost of \$0.78, which is \$0.8775, or about \$0.88. The following proportion can be solved to determine the cost,  $c$ , for 180 campers at Camp Big Sky to have Bug Juice that is  $\frac{1}{8}$  buggier.

$$\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.88} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{c}$$

Multiplying the ratio  $\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.88}$  by  $\frac{45}{45}$  equals  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{\$39.60}$ . The cost for 180

campers at Camp Big Sky to have Bug Juice that is  $\frac{1}{8}$  buggier is \$39.60, which is less than the new budgeted amount of \$40.

At Camp Wild Flowers, Bug Juice can be made considerably buggier than at Camp Big Sky. For example, the amount of Mix B could be tripled from 0.14 of an ounce to 0.42 of an ounce. The cost would change by tripling the cost of 0.14 ounce of Mix B ( $3 \times \$0.20 = \$0.60$ ) and adding the cost of 4 ounces of sugar (\$0.09). The total cost for the “buggier” juice is  $\$0.60 + \$0.09 = \$0.69$ .

The following proportion can be solved to find out the cost,  $c$ , for 180 campers at Camp Wild Flowers to have Bug Juice that is three times buggier.

$$\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.69} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{c}$$

Multiplying the ratio  $\frac{64 \text{ ounces}}{\$0.69}$  by  $\frac{45}{45}$  equals  $\frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{\$31.05}$ .

The cost for 180 campers at Camp Wild Flowers to have Bug Juice that is three times “buggier” is \$31.05, which is less than the new budgeted amount of \$40. However, this may be too “buggy” because no additional sugar is being added in this situation.

## Extension Questions

- What is another way for campers at Camp Big Sky and Camp Wild Flowers to have buggier Bug Juice and stay within the \$40 budget?

*The number of ounces of water used to make Bug Juice for each camper daily could be reduced to create a “buggier” taste. No additional cost would be incurred for this new version of Bug Juice because no additional mix is added. However, each camper would be served smaller amounts.*

- Camp Armadillo makes their version of Bug Juice from Mix C, a liquid concentrate. Twelve ounces of concentrate are added to 36 ounces of water for their Bug Juice recipe. The 12 ounces of liquid concentrate cost \$1.44. Will Camp Armadillo with 180 campers also meet the original \$30 budgeted amount for Bug Juice? How do you know?

*Camp Armadillo will not meet the original \$30 budgeted amount for Bug Juice. Actually, Camp Armadillo will nearly triple the budgeted amount.*

*Knowing that 2,880 ounces are needed for 180 campers, the following proportion can be written to find the cost,  $c$ , for 180 campers at Camp Armadillo. The 48 ounces is obtained by adding the 12 ounces of concentrate to three cans or 36 ounces of water for this recipe of Bug Juice.*

$$\frac{48 \text{ ounces}}{\$1.44} = \frac{2,880 \text{ ounces}}{c}$$

*Since  $2,880 \div 48 = 60$ , the ratio  $\frac{48 \text{ ounces}}{\$1.44}$  can be multiplied by  $\frac{60}{60}$  and equals*  
$$\frac{2,880}{\$86.40} .$$

*The cost for 180 campers at Camp Armadillo to have two 8-ounce cups of Bug Juice using Mix C is \$86.40, far above the \$30 budgeted amount.*

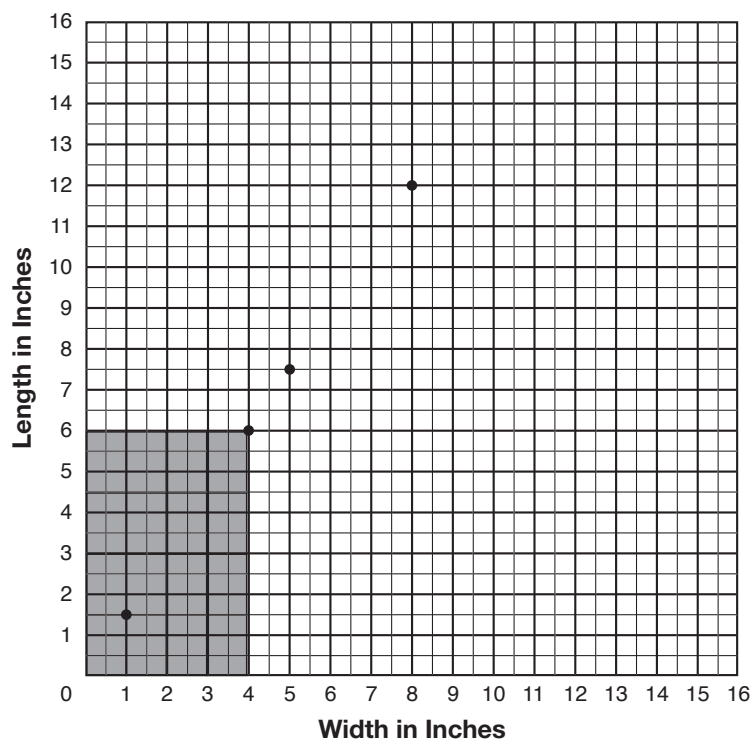


## Photographic Memories grade 7

Family photo albums are filled with rectangular pictures of great memories that measure 4 inches in width by 6 inches in length.

At Texan Photo Magic, families bring their film to be processed in a special way. With a push of a button, a photo technician can view the picture as it will develop into a 4-inch by 6-inch photo, or he or she can choose to make enlargements or reductions that are mathematically similar. Amazingly, the machinery at Texan Photo Magic also plots a graph of the width and length of the potential similar photos as the technician views them.

The graph below shows the 4-inch by 6-inch photo and three similar photos the technician viewed on the machine.



1. Describe how proportions can be used to show that the three photos are similar to the 4-inch by 6-inch photo.



2. In what other ways can the evidence for similarity be provided?
3. If a similar photo has a length of 15 inches, what will be its width? Explain your reasoning.
4. Will a photo measuring 9 inches by 13 inches follow the same pattern in the graph as the other similar photos? How do you know?
5. How many of the 1-inch by 1.5-inch photos could be printed on the same size paper as the 4-inch by 6-inch photo? How could you use the graph to demonstrate your answer?



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

1-inch graph paper

Markers

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(B) graph data to demonstrate relationships in familiar concepts such as conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

### Scaffolding Questions

- What do the ordered pairs on this graph represent? What does the ordered pair (5, 7.5) mean on this graph?
- Do all the points on the graph lie on a line? How do you know?
- What are coordinates of another point that would lie on this line?
- Does this graph represent a proportional relationship? Explain.
- If the length of a photo is 9 inches, how could you use this graph to find its width?
- How can you determine if two rectangles are similar?

### Sample Solutions

1. Two rectangles are similar if the corresponding sides are proportional and corresponding angles are congruent. Since the angles of any rectangle are right angles, the corresponding angles are congruent. Equivalent ratios can be used to show corresponding sides proportional by demonstrating that both dimensions of a new photo can be multiplied by the same scale factor to produce the corresponding dimensions in the original photo. The points on the graph that represent width in inches and length in inches are (1, 1.5), (4, 6), (5, 7.5), and (8, 12). The following shows the scale factor that is used to demonstrate equivalent ratios:

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{1.5 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ inch}} \times \frac{4}{4} = \frac{6 \text{ inches}}{4 \text{ inches}} \\ \frac{7.5 \text{ inches}}{5 \text{ inches}} \times \frac{0.8}{0.8} = \frac{6 \text{ inches}}{4 \text{ inches}} \\ \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{8 \text{ inches}} \times \frac{0.5}{0.5} = \frac{6 \text{ inches}}{4 \text{ inches}} \end{array}$$

Corresponding sides can also be shown to be proportional by using the ratio  $l : w$ . The ratio  $l : w$  is  $6 : 4$  for the original photo and is equivalent to corresponding ratios for the other photos represented on the graph:  $6 : 4 = 12 : 8 = 7.5 : 5 = 1.5 : 1$ . Since all the photos represented on the graph have the same ratio  $l : w$ , they have the same shape. Scale factors affect the size of the rectangular photos and can be used to “size up” or “size down” the photos.

- The line that contains the points on the graph will also contain the origin. This is one of the characteristics of a proportional relationship. Therefore, the rectangles with dimensions represented by the ordered pairs  $(w, l)$  will have corresponding sides in proportion. Since corresponding angles are also congruent (all 4 right angles of a rectangle are congruent), the graph in the first quadrant represents the set of all similar rectangles having  $l : w = 1.5 : 1$ . For every inch of width on the graph, the length is 1.5 inches. All photos similar to the original 4-inch by 6-inch photo must lie on this straight line (quadrant 1 only) that passes through the origin.
- The width of a similar photo with a length of 15 inches will be 10 inches. A scale factor is determined by  $15 \div 6 = 2\frac{1}{2}$  or 2.5. This scale factor of 2.5 will scale up the 6-inch length to 15 inches. Since the photos will be similar, the 4-inch width must also be scaled up by this same factor as shown below. The ratio  $10 : 15$  is equivalent to the ratio  $4 : 6$ , the ratio of the number of inches in the width to the number of inches in the length.

$$\frac{6 \text{ inches}}{4 \text{ inches}} \times \frac{2.5}{2.5} = \frac{15 \text{ inches}}{10 \text{ inches}}$$

- A photo measuring 9 inches by 13 inches will not follow the same pattern on the graph as the other similar photos. In the set of similar photos on the graph, the ratios of  $l : w$  are equivalent to  $6 : 4$  or  $3 : 2$ . The ratio of  $13 : 9$  is not equivalent to  $6 : 4$  or  $3 : 2$ . Therefore, the photo indicated by the point  $(9, 13)$  is not on the straight line containing the given points of the similar photos.

Another strategy involves the use of a graphing calculator. Since the ratio of length to width in the set of

(7.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student compares and classifies shapes and solids using geometric vocabulary and properties. The student is expected to:

(D) use critical attributes to define similarity

(7.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to describe location on a plane. The student is expected to:

(A) locate and name points on a coordinate plane using ordered pairs of integers

(7.8) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(C) use geometric concepts and properties to solve problems in fields such as art and architecture

(7.9) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement. The student is expected to

estimate measurements and solve application problems involving length (including perimeter and circumference), area, and volume.

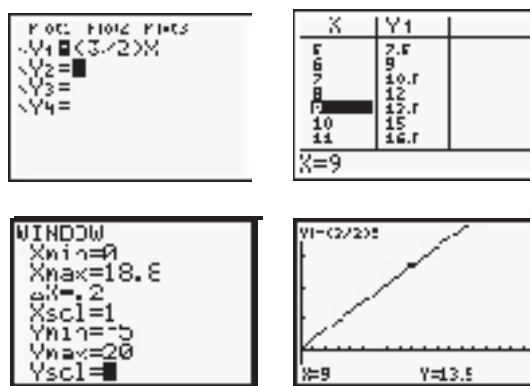
(7.11) Probability and statistics. The student understands that the way a set of data is displayed influences its interpretation. The student is expected to:

- (B) make inferences and convincing arguments based on an analysis of given or collected data

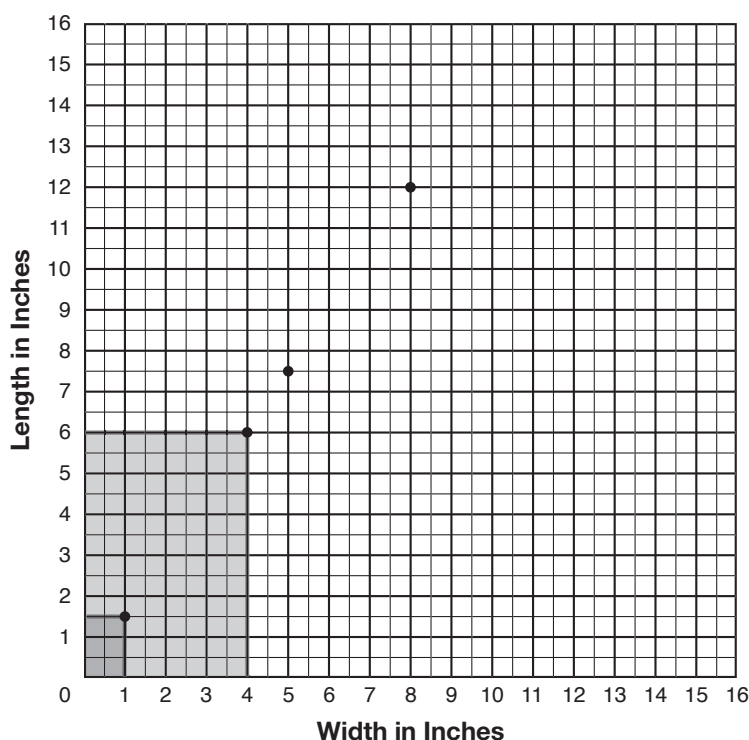
(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics
- (C) select or develop an appropriate

similar rectangles is  $3 : 2$ ,  $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{3}{2}$  can be written, where  $y$  represents the length and  $x$ , the width. Another way to write this equation is  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$ . Enter the equation  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$  in a graphing calculator and use the table feature to find  $x = 9$  and read the corresponding  $y$ -value of 13.5. The trace feature of the graphing calculator may also be used to find the point on the graph for which  $x = 9$ . A rectangle with a width of 9 inches must have a length of 13.5 to be similar to the other rectangles on the graph. The photo measuring 9 inches by 13 inches does not fit the pattern.



5. Sixteen photos measuring 1 inch by 1.5 inches could be printed on the same size paper as the 4-inch by 6-inch photo. Graph the points with coordinates (0,0), (4,0), (4,6), and (0,6) to form a rectangle with a width of 4 inches and a length of 6 inches on 1-inch graph paper. Start at the origin and place a mark at 1-inch intervals along the  $x$ -axis for a total of 4 inches. Begin at the origin and place a mark at  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch intervals along the  $y$ -axis for a total of 4 intervals. Draw horizontal and vertical line segments from these marks along the axes to form a set of 16 rectangles with dimensions 1 inch by 1.5 inches. All 16 rectangles completely cover the grid for the 4-inch by 6-inch photo.



### Extension Questions

- What are at least 3 other photos similar to the ones already indicated on the graph? How do you know they are similar?

Enter the equation  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$  in a graphing calculator and use the table feature to scroll for other ordered pairs (width, length) that are on the graph of similar photos. Examples: (2,3), (7, 10.5), (12,18), (10,15). These new photos with the dimensions given in the ordered pairs above have a length-to-width ratio of 3 : 2.

$$\frac{10.5}{7} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{18}{12} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{15}{10} = \frac{3}{2}$$

This means that the rectangles all have the same ratio.

Another strategy would be to graph the set of rectangles with dimensions given in the ordered pairs (2,3), (7, 10.5), (12,18), and (10,15) on the same grid. Then draw diagonals from the origin for all the

problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(7.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

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Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.

rectangles. The diagonals will all lie on the same line. Graph the line  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$ . This line would contain all the ordered pairs whose coordinates represent similar rectangles with the same ratio 3 : 2. The line  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$  is the same line as the line containing the diagonals of the given rectangles.

- If you double the dimensions of the 4-inch by 6-inch photo, by what factor does the area change?

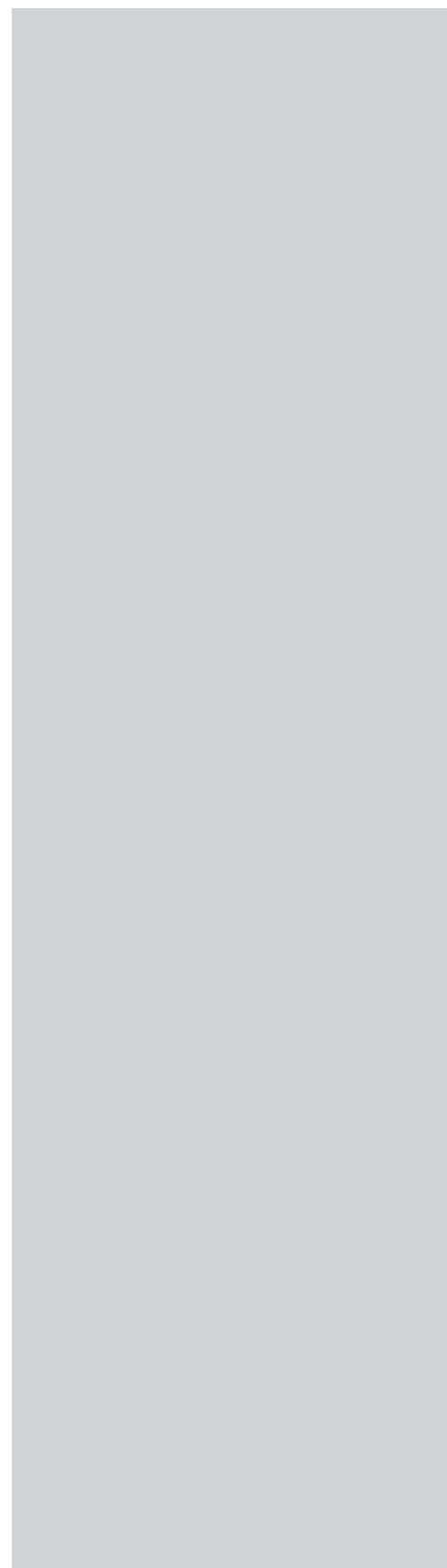
*When the dimensions of the 4-inch by 6-inch photo are doubled to 8 inches by 12 inches, the area increases from 24 square inches to 96 square inches. This is an increase by a factor of 4 because  $96 \div 24 = 4$ . When the dimensions of a figure are changed by a scale factor  $n$ , the area is changed by a factor of  $n^2$ , the square of the scale factor.*

## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows the use of multiple ways of finding percentages, including scaling, division, and knowledge of benchmark fractions and percentages.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Describes mathematical relationships
- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations
- Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them





# Photographic Memories

1)  $\frac{\text{width}}{\text{length}} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$  stretch  $\frac{8}{12}$

all similar

width  $\frac{4}{6} \times 1.25 = \frac{5}{7.5}$

$\frac{4}{6} = \frac{4 \div 2}{6 \div 2} = \frac{2}{3}$   
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width  $\frac{4}{6} \times 1.5 = \frac{10}{15}$

2)  $\frac{8}{12} = \frac{66.6\%}{100}$

change to %

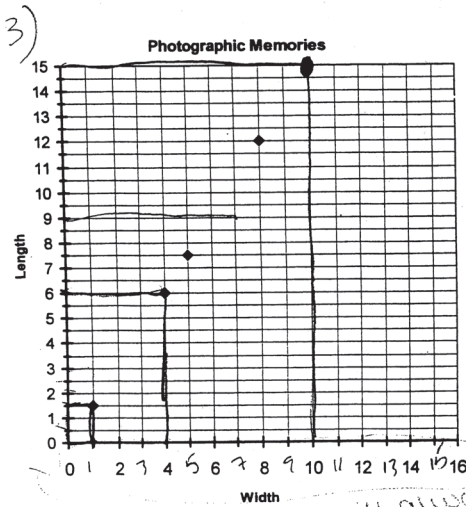
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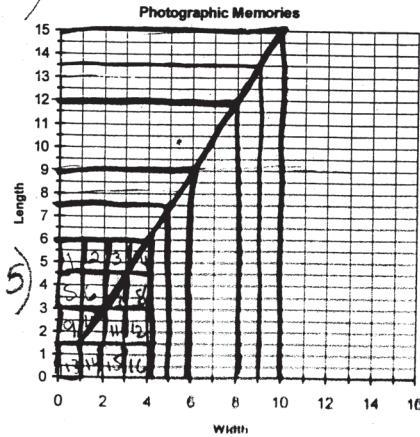
$\frac{4}{6} = \frac{66.6\%}{100}$  I know  $\frac{2}{3} = 66.6\%$

3)  $\frac{4}{6} = \frac{10}{15}$  → width see graph 4

$\frac{9}{13} = \frac{69.2\%}{100}$  no, because all of the pictures have to be 66.6% to be similar



Graph means length will always be 1.5 x width.



- extending line
- the photo size.
- 44
- 5) 10 can fit

Photo size	Length	width
4x6 (original)	6	4
5x7.5	7.5	5
6x9	9	6
7x10.5	10.5	7
8x12	12	8
9x13.5	13.5	9
10x15	15	10

9x13.5 not 9x13

gain by 1/2 gain by 1

## Liberty Enlightening the World!

### grade 8

The Statue of Liberty was given to the United States more than 100 years ago by France in recognition of our friendship. Building the Statue of Liberty was a massive task. Lady Liberty holds in her left hand a tablet stating in Roman numerals July 4 (IV), 1776 (MDCCLXXVI). The tablet measures 7.19 meters long, 4.14 meters wide, and 0.61 meter thick.

The distance from the ground to the tip of the torch is 92.99 meters. The distance across one of the statue's eyes is 0.71 meter.

The gift shop sells a miniature Statue of Liberty to take home as a souvenir. The miniature statue is a scaled model of the actual statue.

1. If the distance across Lady Liberty's eye is 0.5 centimeter in the miniature statue, what is the scale factor from the miniature statue to the actual statue? Explain your thinking.
2. What are the approximate dimensions of the tablet in the miniature statue? Show how you determined these.
3. If the Statue of Liberty's tablet is solid, what would be the volume of the tablet? What would be the volume of the tablet in the miniature Statue of Liberty? How do these relate?
4. If you wanted a scaled model of the Statue of Liberty to be as tall as yourself, what information do you need?

## Materials

Calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  $a = 1.4h$

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you find a scale factor when the actual height and miniature height are known?
- How can you use a scale factor to find the dimensions of the tablet in the miniature statue?
- How do you change meters to centimeters?
- How can you determine the volume of a rectangular prism?
- What is the resulting effect on volume when the dimensions are changed by a scale factor of 2?

### Sample Solutions

1. Since the actual distance across Lady Liberty's eye is 0.71 meter, change 0.71 meter to 71 centimeters.

$$0.71 \text{ m} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ meter}} = 71 \text{ cm}$$

To find a scale factor from the miniature dimension of 0.5 cm to the corresponding actual dimension of 71 cm, find the rate.

$$\frac{71 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}}{0.5 \text{ centimeters on the miniature}} = \frac{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}}{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature}}$$

Since the miniature is being scaled up, the scale factor will be greater than 1.

2. The actual dimensions of the tablet are 7.19 meters long, 4.14 meters wide, and 0.61 meter thick. The rate is

$$\frac{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}}{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature}} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature statue}}{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}}$$

To convert from the actual dimension to the miniature dimension, multiply by this rate.

$$7.19 \text{ meters} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ meter}} \times \frac{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature statue}}{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}} \approx 5.06 \text{ cm}$$

$$4.14 \text{ meters} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ meter}} \times \frac{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature statue}}{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}} \approx 2.92 \text{ cm}$$

$$0.61 \text{ meters} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ meter}} \times \frac{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature statue}}{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}} \approx 0.43 \text{ cm}$$

3. The volume of the actual tablet is  $719 \text{ cm} \times 414 \text{ cm} \times 61 \text{ cm} = 18,157,626 \text{ cm}^3$ .

The volume of the tablet in the miniature Statue of Liberty is approximately  $5.06 \text{ cm} \times 2.92 \text{ cm} \times 0.43 \text{ cm} = 6.353336 \text{ cm}^3$ .

The volume of the actual tablet is approximately 3,000,000 times larger since  $18,157,626 \text{ cm}^3 \div 6.353336 \text{ cm}^3 = 2,857,967.216$ .

Notice that if you cube the scale factor 142, you find that  $142^3$  is 2,863,288, or close to 2,857,967.216.

When the dimensions of a figure are changed by a scale factor of  $c$ , the volume is changed by  $c^3$ , the cube of the scale factor.

4. To keep a scaled model of the Statue of Liberty in proportion, you need to know your height in order to compute the scale factor for other parts of the statue. Also, a decision would need to be made whether to use the Statue of Liberty data for distance from the heel to the top of the head or to use the height from the base to the torch.

### Extension Questions

- What would be the approximate distance from the tip of the torch to the ground for the miniature Statue of Liberty in problem 1?

$$92.99 \text{ meters} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ meter}} \times \frac{1 \text{ centimeter on the miniature statue}}{142 \text{ centimeters on the actual statue}} \approx 65 \text{ cm}$$

*The distance from the tip of the torch to the ground for the miniature Statue of Liberty is approximately 65 cm, or 0.65 meters.*

(8.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(B) use geometric concepts and properties to solve problems in fields such as art and architecture

(8.8) Measurement. The student uses procedures to determine measures of solids. The student is expected to:

(C) estimate answers and use formulas to solve application problems involving surface area and volume

(8.9) Measurement. The student uses indirect measurement to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(B) use proportional relationships in similar shapes to find missing measurements

(8.10) Measurement. The student describes how changes in dimensions affect linear, area, and volume measures. The student is expected to:

(B) describe the resulting effect on volume when dimensions of a solid are changed proportionally

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

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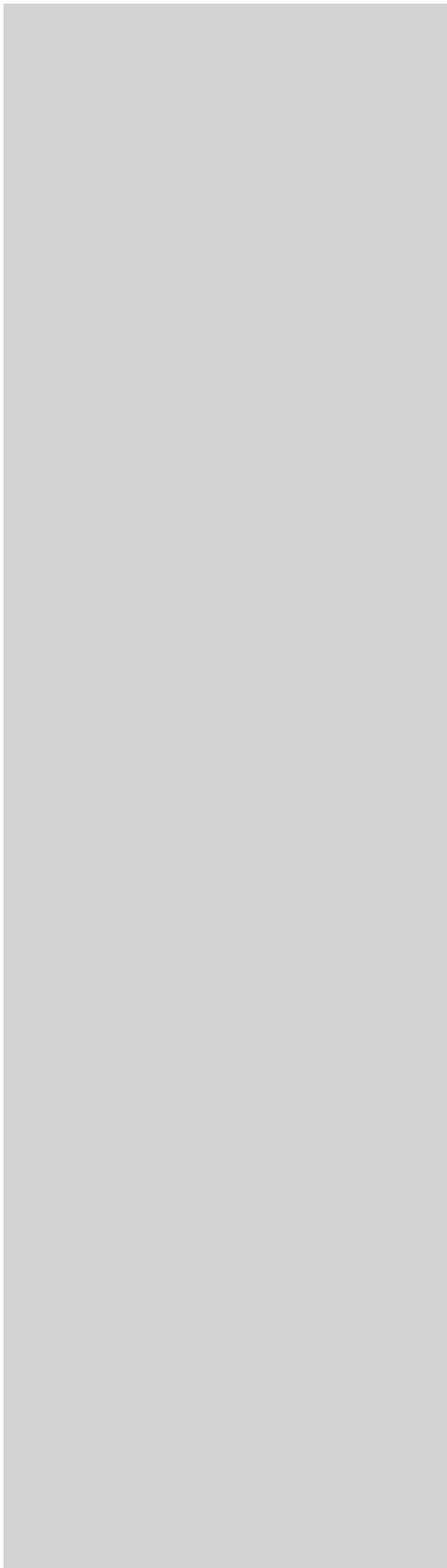
Objective 4: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and uses of measurement.

- The distance from the heel to the top of the head of the Statue of Liberty is 33.86 m. What is the scale factor from your “heel to top of the head” height to the corresponding distance of the actual Statue of Liberty?

*Answers will vary for this question depending on the height of the person. For example, if a person were 140 cm tall, a scale factor of 24.2 could be determined using division.*

$$33.86 \text{ m} = 3,386 \text{ cm}$$

$$3,386 \text{ cm} \div 140 \text{ cm} \approx 24.2$$

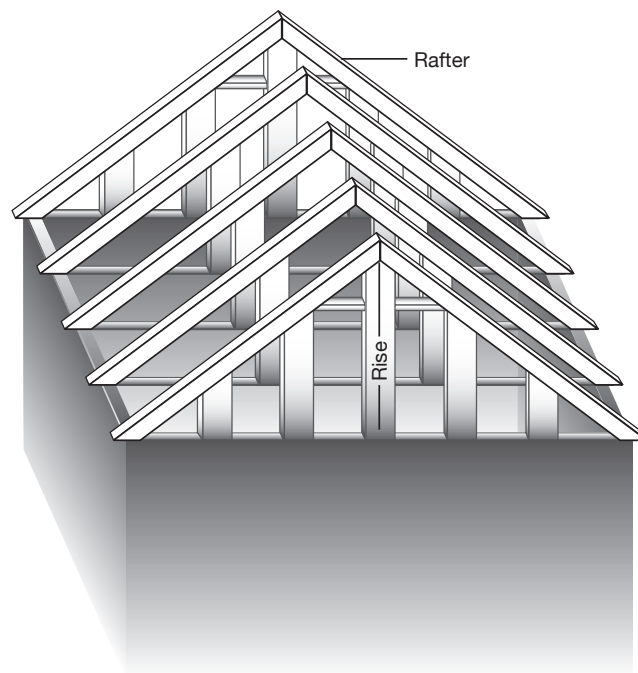




## In the Rafters grade 8

The Whitman family is building a beautiful home. They want Angel, their loveable dog, to feel very comfortable. For the times Angel must remain outdoors, the Whitmans are also going to build a scaled model of their home, including a matching roof.

The slope of the roof will be determined by the ratio 3 inches of rise (vertical length) for every 4 inches of run (horizontal length).



1. If the run of the roof is 156 inches in the Whitman home, how high will the roof rise?
2. The rafters extend from the top ridge of the roof to the bottom of the lower border that overhangs the walls. There are 5 rafters on the right side of the roof and 5 more on the left. What is the length of each of the rafters at the Whitman home?
3. The scale factor from the run of the roof in Angel's doghouse to the run of the roof of the Whitman home is 13. What will be the lengths of the rise and run of the doghouse?
4. What will be the length of the rafters on Angel's doghouse?



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

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(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  
 $a = 1.4h$

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

### Scaffolding Questions

- How could you label the roof of the Whitman home with the measurements that are given?
- How would a triangle similar to one on the roof be labeled to show the relationships between rise and run?
- How do you find the length of the hypotenuse of a right triangle?

### Sample Solution

1. The slope of a roof is determined by the ratio of 3 inches of rise for every 4 inches of run. The scale factor is 39 because  $156 \text{ in.} \div 4 \text{ in.} = 39$ .

$$\frac{3 \text{ inches of rise}}{4 \text{ inches of run}} \times \frac{39}{39} = \frac{117 \text{ inches of rise}}{156 \text{ inches of run}}$$

Therefore, the rise of the Whitman home is 117 feet.

2. A right triangle is formed by the rise, the run, and the connecting rafter, so the Pythagorean Theorem may be used to find the length of one rafter. The legs of the right triangle are the rise and the run. The hypotenuse is the rafter.

$$3^2 + 4^2 = (\text{hypotenuse})^2$$

$$9 + 16 = 25$$

$$25 = 5^2$$

This means that for every 3 inches of rise and every 4 inches of run, the rafter must be 5 inches long.

The proportion  $\frac{3 \text{ inches of run}}{5 \text{ inches of rafter}} = \frac{117 \text{ inches of run}}{f}$  can be solved to find  $f$ , the number of inches of rafter needed for the Whitman home. Since  $117 \text{ in.} \div 3 \text{ in.} = 39$  and  $39 \text{ in.} \times 5 \text{ in.} = 195$ , 195 inches of rafter are needed for each rafter of the Whitman home.

3. Using the given scale factor of 13, the proportion  $\frac{x \text{ inches of rise}}{y \text{ inches of run}} \times \frac{13}{13} = \frac{117 \text{ inches of rise}}{156 \text{ inches of run}}$  can be solved for  $x$  and  $y$  using division.

$$117 \text{ in.} \div 13 \text{ in.} = 9 \text{ in.} \text{ and } 156 \text{ in.} \div 13 \text{ in.} = 12 \text{ in.}$$

This means that the roof in Angel's home will have a rise of 9 inches and a run of 12 inches.

4. Because  $9^2 + 12^2 = 81 + 144 = 225 = 15^2$ , each rafter will be 15 inches in length.

### Extension Questions

- How many feet of wood are needed for all 10 rafters in Angel's home?

*Each rafter is 15 inches and there are 10 rafters, so 150 inches of wood are needed.*

$$150 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ foot}}{12 \text{ inches}} = 12.5 \text{ feet}$$

- As much as possible, rafters are continuous pieces of wood for sturdiness, instead of a lot of pieces of wood patched together. Rafters should be patched at most once per rafter. If rafters are made of boards of wood 10 feet long, how many actual 10-foot boards are needed for all 10 rafters in the Whitman home?

*Since one rafter is 195 inches or 16.25 ft. long and  $16.25 \div 10 = 1.625$ , 1.625 pieces of 10-foot board are needed for one rafter. Since there can only be one patched piece, you will need 20 boards for the rafters.*

*Each rafter will need one 10-foot board and  $\frac{5}{8}$  of a second board. Since there is only  $\frac{3}{8}$  of the second board left, this piece will be scrapped.*

(8.6) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses transformational geometry to develop spatial sense. The student is expected to:

(A) generate similar shapes using dilations including enlargements and reductions

(8.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses geometry to model and describe the physical world. The student is expected to:

(B) use geometric concepts and properties to solve problems in fields such as art and architecture

(8.9) Measurement. The student uses indirect measurement to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) use the Pythagorean Theorem to solve real-life problems

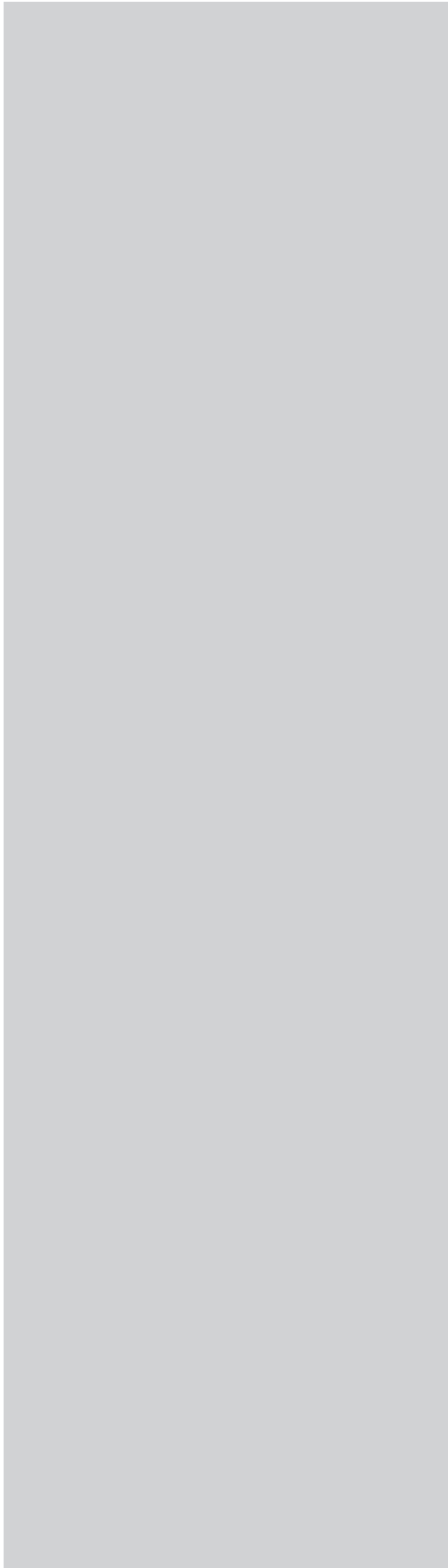
(B) use proportional relationships in similar shapes to find missing measurements

## **Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills**

Objective 2: The student will demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relationships, and algebraic reasoning.

Objective 3: The student will demonstrate an understanding of geometry and spatial reasoning.

Objective 4: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and uses of measurement.



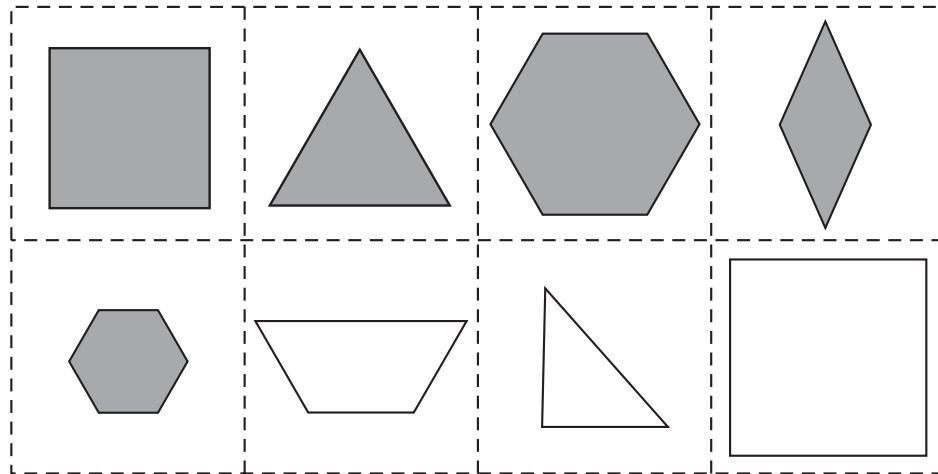


**Chapter 5:**  
*Probability and  
Statistics*



## Perplexing Polygons grade 6

## OVERARCHING PERPLEXING POLYGONS



Cut along dotted lines

In Mrs. Mac's class each student is given a set of polygon cards to cut out. The polygons are either shaded or not shaded, as shown above. Juan and Monica cut out each of their cards and put them in their own brown paper bag. Answer the following questions.

1. Determine the following probabilities. Justify your answers.
  - a. Juan draws a triangle from his bag.
  - b. Juan draws a polygon that is not a triangle from his bag.
2. If Juan draws from the bag 60 times and replaces the polygon each time before drawing again, how many times would you expect the polygon to be shaded?
3. Juan and Monica both put their polygons in one bag. If Juan draws from the bag 60 times and replaces the polygon each time before drawing again, how many times would you expect the polygon to be shaded?
4. Juan puts his shaded polygons in one bag and his unshaded polygons in another bag. If Juan draws one polygon from each bag, what is the sample space? What is the probability of drawing a shaded hexagon and a nonshaded square?



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.9) Probability and statistics. The student uses experimental and theoretical probability to make predictions. The student is expected to:

(A) construct sample spaces using lists, tree diagrams, and combinations

(B) find the probabilities of a simple event and its complement and describe the relationship between the two

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you determine the probability of an event?
- Which of the polygons are quadrilaterals? How do you know?
- Explain the relationship between the questions in 1a and 1b.
- How do you find the probability of drawing a shaded polygon from the bag?
- Describe the effect of pulling a polygon from the bag 60 times.
- What is the effect of putting two sets of polygons together in a bag?
- What does *sample space* mean?

### Sample Solutions

1. a. There are two triangles in the set of eight polygons.

$$P(\text{drawing a triangle}) = \frac{2 \text{ triangles}}{8 \text{ polygons}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

- b. The probability of not drawing a triangle is the complement of drawing a triangle.

$$P(\text{not drawing a triangle}) = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{6 \text{ nontriangles}}{8 \text{ polygons}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

2. There are 5 shaded polygons in the bag and 8 total polygons in the bag.

$$P(\text{drawing a shaded polygon}) = \frac{5 \text{ shaded polygons}}{8 \text{ polygons}} = \frac{5}{8}$$

The experimental probability would be about  $\frac{5}{8}$ . If students know that a shaded polygon would be drawn 5 out of 8 attempts, then they can find an equivalent ratio for 60 attempts.

$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{?}{60}$$

The number you multiply 8 by to get 60 is 7.5.

$$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{7.5}{7.5} = \frac{37.5}{60}$$

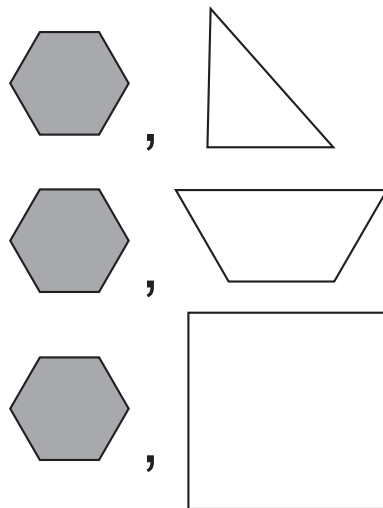
A shaded polygon would be drawn between 37 and 38 times.

3. The probability is not affected by putting two sets of polygons in the bag, because the probability of drawing a shaded polygon is still  $\frac{5}{8}$ . There are now 10 shaded polygons out of 16 polygons.

$$\frac{10}{16} = \frac{5}{8}$$

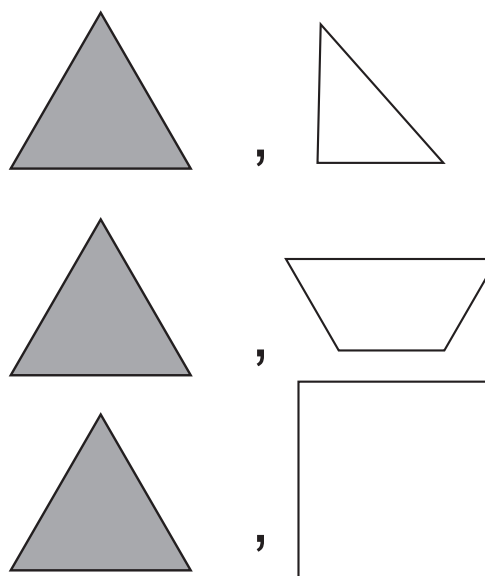
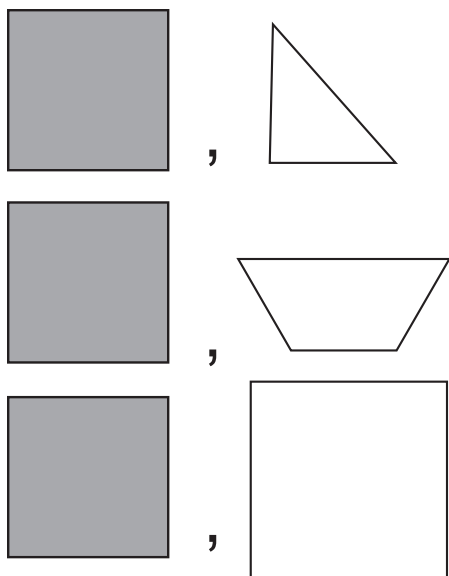
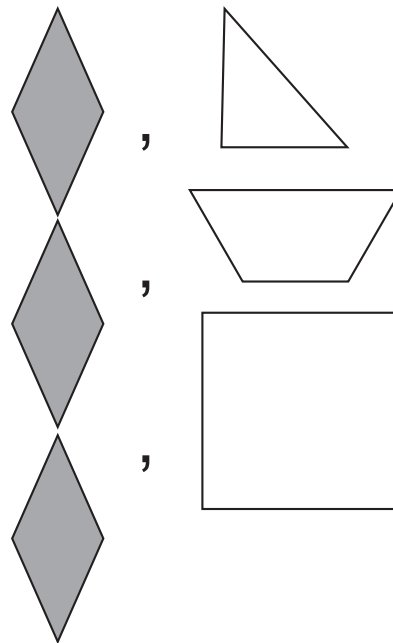
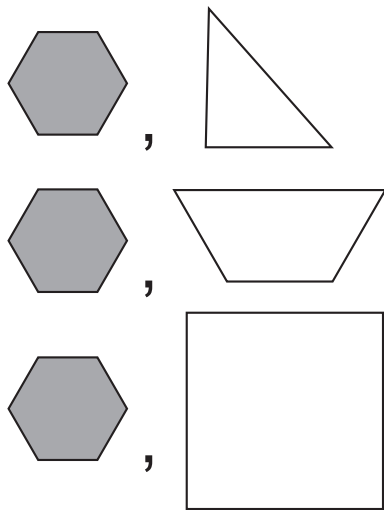
As in problem 2, a shaded polygon would be drawn between 37 and 38 times.

4. The *sample space* is the set of all possible combinations of figures. Because there are 5 shaded polygons and three nonshaded polygons, there are 5 times 3, or 15 possible combinations.



## Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.



Two out of the 15 possibilities have a shaded hexagon and a nonshaded square. The probability of drawing a shaded hexagon and a nonshaded square is  $\frac{2}{15}$ .

### Extension Questions

- Describe what could be done to Juan's set of polygons so that the probability of drawing a triangle is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

*One possibility is to leave the two triangles in the set of polygons and remove two other polygons from the set. The total number of polygons would then be 6.*

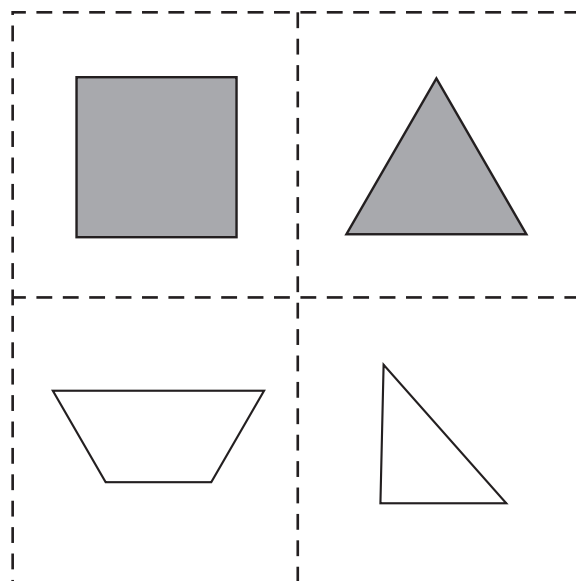
$$\frac{2 \text{ triangles}}{6 \text{ polygons}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

- Consider the situation described in problem 4. Describe how removing the triangles from both bags would change your answer.

*The number of shaded polygons would be 4, and the number of nonshaded polygons would be 2. The total number of combinations would be 4 times 2, or 8.*

*There would still be two desired outcomes. The probability would be  $\frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$ .*

## Perplexing Polygons grade 7

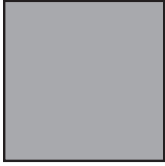
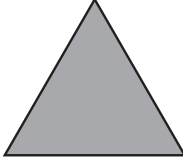

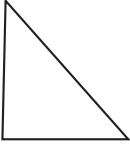


Cut along dotted lines

In Mrs. Mac's class each student is given a set of polygon cards to cut out. The polygons are either shaded or not shaded, as shown above. Juan and Monica cut out each of their cards and put them in their own brown paper bag. Answer the following questions.

1. What is the probability that Juan will draw a shaded polygon from his bag and then Monica will draw a triangle from her bag? Show a sample space to support your answer. If they each draw from the bag 40 times and replace the polygon each time before drawing again, how many times would Juan be expected to draw a shaded polygon and Monica to draw a triangle?
2. Juan draws twice from his bag of polygons and after the first draw he does not put the polygon back into the bag. What is the probability that he will first draw a square and then a triangle? Show a sample space to support your answer.

3. Four of the students each put three of their polygons into the same bag. They do not tell which of the polygons they placed into the bag. A student draws from the bag. The results are shown below.

Type				
Number of times drawn	11	18	10	21

Based on these results, what is the experimental probability of drawing each of the polygons from the bag? What polygon will most likely be drawn next?

## Materials

Calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.10) Probability and statistics. The student recognizes that a physical or mathematical model can be used to describe the probability of real-life events. The student is expected to:

(A) construct sample spaces for compound events (dependent and independent)

(B) find the approximate probability of a compound event through experimentation

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

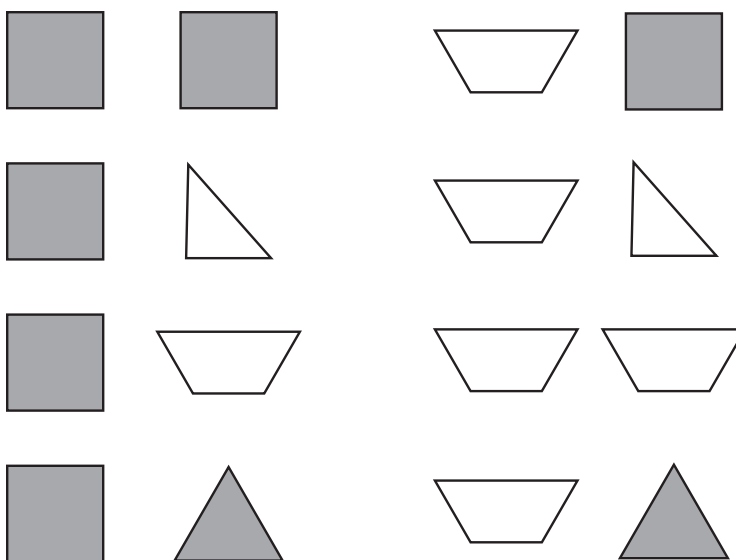
## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you determine the probability of an event?
- How do you find the probability of drawing a shaded polygon from the bag?
- How do you find the probability of drawing a triangle from the bag?
- Is the event described in problem 1 simple or compound?
- Is the event dependent or independent?
- Describe the effect of pulling a polygon from the bag 40 times.
- What is the effect of putting four sets of polygons together in a bag?
- Explain how to find out how many polygons are in a bag.
- Based on the table of results in problem 3, how can you find out many times the experiment was conducted?

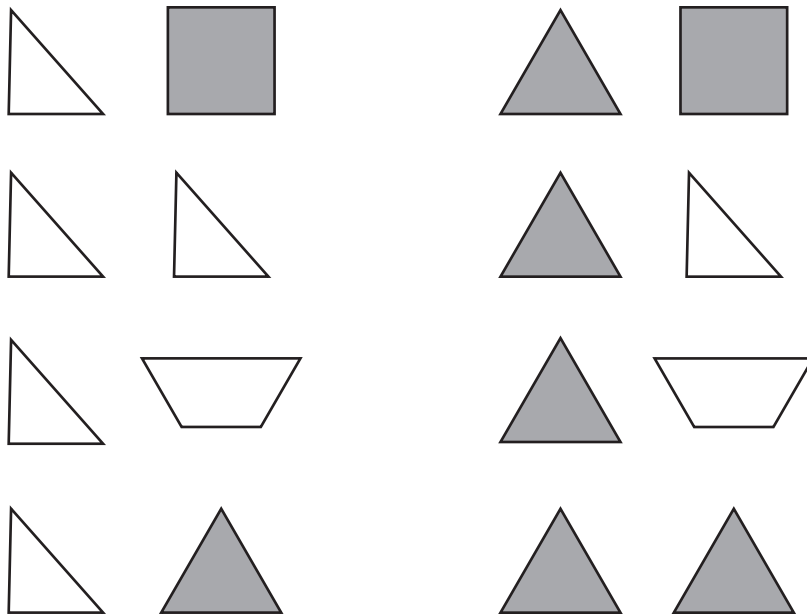
### Sample Solutions

1.



**Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills**

Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.



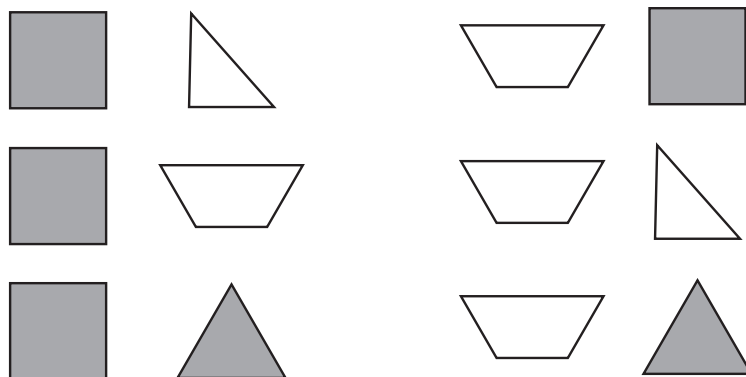
The sample space above shows that the probability of Juan drawing a shaded polygon from his bag and then Monica drawing a triangle from her bag is  $\frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$ .

If the experiment is conducted 40 times, the number of times the desired situation might occur is predicted by multiplying the probability by 40.

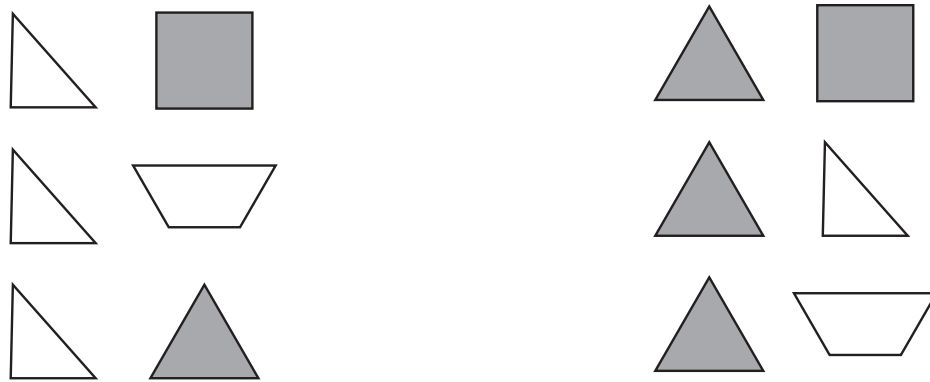
$$40 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{40}{4} = 10$$

It would be expected to happen 10 times.

2.







In the sample space above, the probability that Juan will first draw a square and then a triangle is 2 out of 12, or  $\frac{2}{12}$ .

The probability of drawing a square is  $\frac{1}{4}$ . If the polygon is not replaced there are now 3 polygons in the bag. The probability of drawing a triangle is now 2 out of 3, because there could be 2 triangles left in the bag.

The probability of drawing a square and then a triangle is

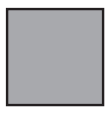
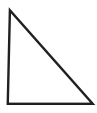
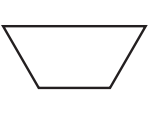

$$\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{12}$$

3. The total number of times the experiment was conducted is the sum of the numbers in the table.

$$11 + 21 + 18 + 10 = 60$$

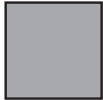
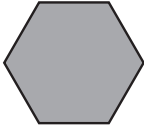

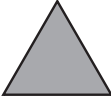

The experiment was conducted 60 times, so to find the probability of drawing each shape, find the number of favorable outcomes and divide by the total number of trials.

$$\frac{\text{number of favorable outcomes}}{\text{total number of trials}}$$

<b>Type</b>				
<b>Probability</b>	$\frac{11}{60}$	$\frac{18}{60} = \frac{3}{10}$	$\frac{10}{60} = \frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{21}{60}$

Based on the experimental probabilities found for drawing each shape, the equilateral triangle has the best probability of being selected.


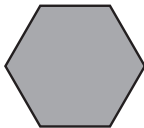

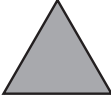

### Extension Questions

Type					
Number of times drawn	10	6	5	18	21


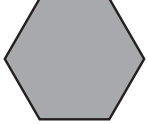

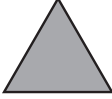

- Four students each put 3 polygons in a bag and conduct an experiment drawing shapes from the bag. The results are recorded above. Predict the number of each type of polygon in the bag.

*If 4 students each put 3 polygons in the bag, there are 12 polygons in the bag.*

*Multiply each probability by 12.*

Type					
Probability	$\frac{10}{60} = \frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{6}{60} = \frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{5}{60} = \frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{18}{60} = \frac{3}{10}$	$\frac{21}{60}$
Fraction times 12	$\frac{1}{6}(12) = 2$	$\frac{1}{10}(12) = 1.2$	$\frac{1}{12}(12) = 1$	$\frac{3}{10}(12) = 3.6$	$\frac{21}{60}(12) = 4.2$

*There cannot be a fractional number of polygons in a bag, so the numbers must be rounded to whole numbers. One possible way to round is as follows:*

<b>Type</b>					
<b>Possible number</b>	2	1	1	4	4

## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows the use of different graphic organizers to find solutions.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Develops and carries out a plan for solving a problem that includes understand the problem, select a strategy, solve the problem, and check
- Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations
- Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them
- Communicates clear, detailed, and organized solution strategy

# Perplexing Problems

1. 2 created poly games

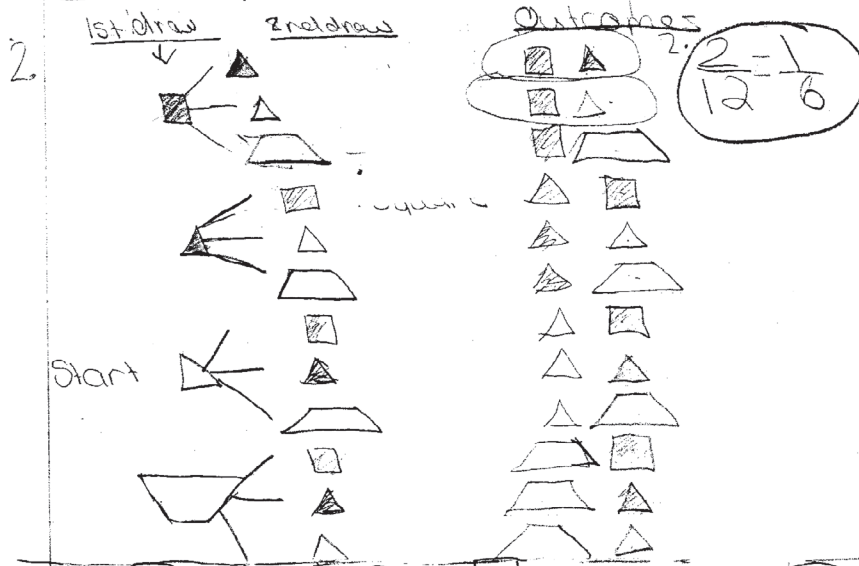
Examples

Juan	Monica	Juan	Monica
SS	stri	STri	stri
SS	SS	STri	SS
SS	Tri	STri	Tri
SS	Trap	STri	Trap

Juan	Monica	Juan	Monica
Tri	stri	Trap	stri
Tri	SS	Trap	SS
Tri	tri	Trap	tri
Tri	Trap	Trap	trap

1. 4 how much meet criteria  
 160 possible outcomes  
 $4 \times 40 = 160$   
 $160 \times 40$   
 2.5 is the scale factor



3.

shaded square	$\frac{11}{60}$	shaded triangle	$\frac{18}{60} = \frac{3}{10}$	unshaded triangle	$\frac{10}{60} = \frac{1}{6}$	unshaded trapezoid	$\frac{21}{60} = \frac{7}{20}$
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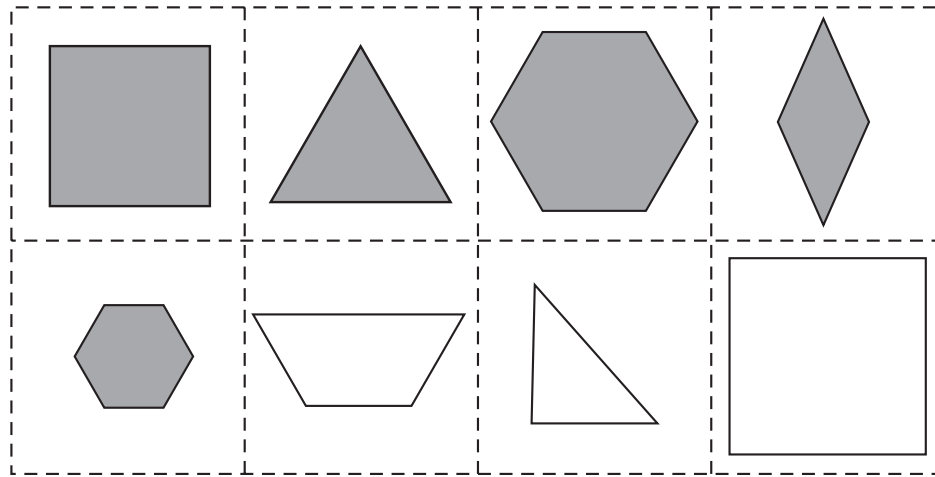
the top number means how many drawn out of 60  
 the total number of shapes drawn

3. The probability for picking a shaded triangle is greater.

TYPE				
NUMBER OF TIMES DRAWN	11	18	10	21

$11 + 18 + 10 + 21 = 60$   
 $11 \times 60$



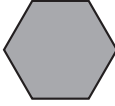





## Perplexing Polygons grade 8



Cut along dotted lines

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1. Juan draws a polygon from his bag and then Monica draws a polygon from her bag. If they each draw from the bag 50 times and replace the polygon each time before drawing again, how many times would Juan be expected to draw a shaded polygon and Monica to draw a triangle?
2. Juan draws twice from his bag of polygons and after the first draw he does not put the polygon back into the bag. Predict the number of times that he might draw a square and then a triangle if he conducts the experiment 24 times.
3. Five of the students each put four of their polygons into the same bag. They do not tell which of the polygons they placed into the bag. They conduct an experiment to see if they can tell which of the polygons were placed in the bag. The results are shown below. Predict the contents of the bag. Justify your reasoning.

Type								
Number of times drawn	10	14	11	23	6	9	0	27

- Eight of the students in the class place all of their polygons into a bag. What is the probability of drawing a hexagon? They are asked to remove 16 polygons from the bag. How can they do this so that the probability of drawing a hexagon remains the same?
- Eight of the students in the class place all of their polygons into a bag. Describe how to remove polygons from this bag so that the probability of drawing a hexagon is  $\frac{1}{5}$ .





## Materials

Calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.11) Probability and statistics. The student applies concepts of theoretical and experimental probability to make predictions. The student is expected to:

(A) find the probabilities of compound events (dependent and independent)

(B) use theoretical probabilities and experimental results to make predictions and decisions

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates.

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How do you determine the probability of an event?
- How do you find the probability of drawing a triangle from the bag?
- Is the event described in problem 1 simple or compound? Explain how you know.
- Is the event dependent or independent? Describe how you know.
- Describe the effect of pulling a polygon from the bag 50 times.
- What is the effect of putting four sets of polygons together in a bag?
- Explain how to find out how many polygons are in the bag.
- Based on the results in the table in problem 3, how can you find out many times the experiment was conducted?
- Based on the results in the table in problem 3, how many times was a shaded square drawn from the bag? What does that mean about the possible number of shaded squares in the bag?

### Sample Solutions

1. This is a problem about two independent events. The probabilities should be multiplied.

$$P(\text{drawing a shaded polygon from Juan's bag}) \cdot P(\text{drawing a triangle from Monica's bag}) =$$

$$\frac{5}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{8} = \frac{10}{64} = \frac{5}{32}$$

If the experiment is conducted 50 times, the number of times the desired situation might occur is predicted by multiplying the probability by 50.

$$50 \cdot \frac{5}{32} = \frac{250}{32} = 7.8125$$

It would be expected to happen between 7 and 8 times.

2. The probability of drawing a square the first time is 2 out of 8 or  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

If the polygon is not replaced, there are now 7 polygons in the bag. The probability of drawing a triangle is now 2 out of 7, because there could be 2 triangles left in the bag.









The probability of drawing a square and then a triangle is

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{7} = \frac{2}{28} = \frac{1}{14}$$

If Juan conducts the experiment 24 times, he will probably repeat the desired outcome between 1 and 2 times because  $24 \cdot \frac{1}{14} \approx 1.7$ .

3. There are 5 groups of 4, or 20 polygons in the bag. The experiment was conducted 100 times, because the sum of the numbers in the table is 100.



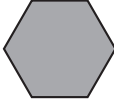

The probabilities may be computed.





Type								
Number of times drawn	10	14	11	23	6	9	0	27
Probability	$\frac{10}{100} = \frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{14}{100} = \frac{7}{50}$	$\frac{11}{100}$	$\frac{23}{100}$	$\frac{6}{100} = \frac{3}{50}$	$\frac{9}{100}$	0	$\frac{27}{100}$

To determine the possible number of each type, multiply the probability by the number of polygons, 20.



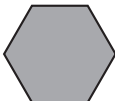



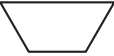

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Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.

Type				
Number of times drawn	10	14	11	23
Probability	$\frac{10}{100} = \frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{14}{100} = \frac{7}{50}$	$\frac{11}{100}$	$\frac{23}{100}$
Possible number	$\frac{1}{10}(20) = 2$	$\frac{7}{50}(20) = 2.8$	$\frac{11}{100}(20) = 2.2$	$\frac{23}{100}(20) = 4.6$

Type				
Number of times drawn	6	9	0	27
Probability	$\frac{6}{100} = \frac{3}{50}$	$\frac{9}{100}$	0	$\frac{27}{100}$
Possible number	$\frac{6}{100}(20) = 1.2$	$\frac{9}{100}(20) = 1.8$	0	$\frac{27}{100}(20) = 5.4$

The number of polygons in the bag cannot be a fractional amount. The numbers should be rounded so that the total number of polygons is 20. One possible answer is as follows:

Type								
Possible number of polygons	2	3	2	5	1	2	0	5

4. There are 8 groups of 8, or 64 polygons in the bag. In each group there are 2 hexagons, one large and one small. There are 16 hexagons in the bag. So the probability of drawing a hexagon is  $\frac{16}{64} = \frac{1}{4}$ . To remove 16 polygons and keep the probability of drawing a hexagon the same, one-fourth of the polygons removed must be hexagons. So 4 hexagons must be removed.

$$16 \times \frac{1}{4} = 4$$

The probability of selecting a hexagon becomes  $\frac{12}{48} = \frac{1}{4}$ .

5. There are 8 groups of 8, or 64 polygons in the bag. In each group there are 2 hexagons, one large and one small. There are 16 hexagons in the bag. For the probability to be  $\frac{1}{5}$ , 4 of the hexagons could be removed from the bag. The probability would then be  $\frac{12}{60} = \frac{1}{5}$ .

### Extension Questions

- Construct a bag where the probability of drawing a shaded square is  $\frac{1}{4}$  and the probability of drawing a right triangle is  $\frac{1}{10}$ . You must have at least 1 of each of the 8 shapes in your bag.

*There are many possible solutions. One solution is to have a bag that consists of 10 shaded squares, 4 right triangles, 5 trapezoids, 8 large squares, 2 large hexagons, 4 small hexagons, 5 equilateral triangles, and 2 rhombi. There would be a total of 40 polygons, which would make the probability of drawing a shaded square  $\frac{10}{40}$ , or  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the probability of drawing a right triangle  $\frac{4}{40}$ , or  $\frac{1}{10}$ .*



## Science Quiz grade 6

Ms. Ross's sixth-grade class at Longhorn Middle School took a science quiz and did not do very well. Below are the grades 18 students received.

10	30	50
60	70	60
70	40	30
40	50	10
40	60	20
40	30	30

Ms. Ross decided to find the median, mode, and range of the grades. She did not like what she discovered, so she decided she would adjust the grades.

1. What were the median, mode, and range that Ms. Ross found? Explain how she found them.
2. Mr. Gray suggested that Ms. Ross just add 30 points to everyone's grade. If she does this, what will the new grades be? Will this change the median, mode, and range of the grades? What are the new median, mode, and range?
3. Ms. Brown suggested that Ms. Ross increase everyone's grade by 20% instead. If Ms. Ross decides to do this, what will the new grades be? Will this change the median, mode, and range of the grades? What are the new median, mode, and range?
4. How are the median, mode, and range affected by the change Mr. Gray suggested? How are they affected by Ms. Brown's suggestion? How are these changes alike and how are they different?

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.10) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical representations to analyze data. The student is expected to:

(B) use median, mode, and range to describe data

(D) solve problems by collecting, organizing, displaying, and interpreting data

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How do you find the median of the data?
- How do you find the mode of the data?
- How do you find the range of the data?
- If you made a 70, how would Mr. Gray's suggestion affect your grade?
- If you made a 70, how would Ms. Brown's suggestion affect your grade?
- What are the grades if 30 points are added to each?
- What are the grades if 20% of the grade is added to each?
- Do you get more points when 30 points are added or when 20% of the grade is added?

### Sample Solutions

1. Ms. Ross needs to order the grades from least to greatest and determine the grade for which half the grades received are below that grade and half the grades are above that grade.

Here are the grades in order from least to greatest:

10,10,20,30,30,30,30,40,40,40,40,50,50,60,60,60,70,70

Since there are 18 grades, two of these grades, 40 and 40, fit the requirement. Average those two grades and the median grade will be 40:

$$40 + 40 = 80$$

$$80 \div 2 = 40$$

The mode of the grades is the grade that most students received. In this data there are 2 modes, since the grades, 30 and 40 appear 4 times each on the list.

The range of the data can be described as the interval from the least grade to the greatest grade or the difference between the greatest grade received and the least grade received. The range of the grades will be 10 to 70, or 60.

Median: 40

Mode: 30 and 40

Range: 10 to 70, or 60

2. If Ms. Ross takes Mr. Gray's suggestion, the grades will be as follows:

40	60	80
90	100	90
100	70	60
70	80	40
70	90	50
70	60	60

Here are the new grades in order from least to greatest:

40,40,50,60,60,60,60,70,70,70,70,80,80,90,90,90,100,100

The median and mode will each increase by 30 points, but the range will not increase.

Median: 70

Mode: 60 and 70

Range: 40 to 100, or 60

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 5: The student will demonstrate an understanding of probability and statistics.



3. If Ms. Ross takes Ms. Brown's suggestion, 20% of the grade will be added to the grade, or each grade will be multiplied by 120% or 1.2. The grades will be as follows:

12	36	60
72	84	72
84	48	36
48	60	12
48	72	24
48	36	36

Here are the new grades in order from least to greatest:

12, 12, 24, 36, 36, 36, 36, 48, 48, 48, 48, 60, 60, 72, 72, 72, 84, 84

The median, mode, and range will all increase from the original grades.

Median: 48

Mode: 36 and 48

Range: 12 to 84, or 72

4. With Mr. Gray's suggestion, all grades are increased by 30 points; therefore, the median and the mode also increased by 30. The range was not affected because everyone's grade shifted when 30 points was added to each grade.

With Ms. Brown's suggestion, each grade increases depending on the original grade. Grades increased 2 points for every 10 points of the original grade. The new median, mode, and range were increased by 20%.

When 30 points are added to each grade, all the grades increase by the same amount; therefore, the median and mode also increase by the same amount. The range is not affected because the spread of the data remains the same.

However, if each grade is increased by a rate of 20%, not only are the median and mode increased by 20%, but the spread of the data is also increased by 20% because individual grades increased not by the same amount but by a rate of 20%.

## Extension Questions

- Ms. Ross likes Ms. Brown's suggestion, but she wants at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  of her students to pass. Help Ms. Ross achieve her goal.

*If Ms. Ross wants to use a suggestion like Ms. Brown's, the grades must all increase by the same percentage. The grades will have to increase so that  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the students pass. If you look at the median grade of 40, that grade will have to increase by 30 points to a 70. Fifty percent of 40 is 20, which is not enough points. Ms. Ross would need another 10 points to get the original grade to 70. If 50% adds 20 points to the grade, another 25% would add 10 points; therefore, Ms. Ross needs to increase the percentage to 75%.*

$$75\% \text{ of } 40 \text{ is } 30 \text{ and } 30 + 40 = 70$$



## Big Money Prizes grade 7

A local radio station is planning a contest. Each winner will select a money envelope. The radio station is planning on having 150 winners and giving away \$6,000. Below is the plan for filling the envelopes.

Number of envelopes	Amount of money
1	\$5,000
2	250
4	50
12	10
6	5
25	2
100	1

1. What is the typical amount of money a winner will receive? What are the mean, median, mode, and range of the amount won?
2. The sponsors decide to double the amount of contest money they give away. The station manager wants to double the amount of money in each of the envelopes. How would this affect the typical amount of money a winner would receive? How would this affect the mean, median, mode, and range of the amount won?
3. The DJs think it would be better to double the number of winners rather than doubling the amount of money in each envelope. They want to double the numbers of envelopes containing each money amount. How would this affect the typical amount of money a winner would receive? How would this affect the mean, median, mode, and range of the amount won?

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator (optional)

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units.

(7.12) Probability and statistics. The student uses measures of central tendency and range to describe a set of data. The student is expected to:

(A) describe a set of data using mean, median, mode, and range

(B) choose among mean, median, mode, or range to describe a set of data and justify the choice for a particular situation

### Scaffolding Questions

- What does the mean of the data tell you? What do the median, mode, and range tell you?
- How many envelopes contain \$50?
- How much money will be given away in \$50 envelopes?
- How many envelopes contain \$2?
- How much money will be given away in \$2 envelopes?
- How can you find the mean of the data?
- How can you find the median of the data?
- How can you find the mode of the data?
- How can you find the range of the data?

### Sample Solutions

1. The typical amount of money can be described by using the mean, median, or mode. The mean is the total amount of money given away divided by the number of winners.

The number of winners is the sum of the number of envelopes, or 150 winners.

To verify that \$6,000 is given away, consider the amount times the number of people who received that amount.

$$1(\$5,000) + 2(\$250) + 4(\$50) + 12(\$10) + 6(\$5) + 25(\$2) + 100(\$1) = \$6,000$$

Since \$6,000 will be the amount given to 150 winners, the mean amount of money will be  $\$6,000 \div 150$  winners = \$40 per winner. The median amount of money will be the amount for which half the winners receive at least that amount and half the winners receive at most that amount. One-half of 150 is 75. Since 100 people receive

the least amount of money, \$1, the median amount will be \$1. The mode amount of money will be the amount of money that most winners will receive. There are 100 people receiving \$1. The mode amount of the money will be \$1. The range of the data can be described as the interval from the least amount won to the greatest amount or the difference between the greatest amount won and the least amount won. The range of the winnings will be \$1 to \$5,000, or \$4,999.

2. If the amount of money in each of the envelopes is doubled, the typical amount of money will double. The mean is \$12,000 divided by 150, or \$80. The mean and the median would be the minimum amount, or \$2. The mean, median, and mode will double. The mean will be \$80, the median will be \$2, and the mode will be \$2. The range of the new amounts will be \$2 to \$10,000, or \$9,998.
3. If the number of winners is doubled by doubling the number of envelopes containing each amount of money, the typical amount of money a winner will receive stays the same as in the original plan. Consider the amount times the number of people who received that amount.

$$2(\$5,000) + 4(\$250) + 8(\$50) + 24(\$10) + 12(\$5) + 50(\$2) + 200(\$1) = \$12,000$$

The mean will be  $\$12,000 \div 300$  winners or \$40 per winner. The median amount will be \$1. The mode amount of the money will be \$1. The range of the winnings will be \$1 to \$5,000, or \$4,999.

### Extension Questions

- Is there another way of giving away the extra \$6,000 so that the mean doubles but the mode and median stay the same?

*A possible scenario would be to give the top winner \$11,000 while the rest of the winnings remain the same.*

- If the radio station decides to triple the amount in each of the envelopes, how would this affect the

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typical amount of money a winner will receive? What if they quadruple the amount? Increase the amount by 5 times? Describe how scaling the amount in each envelope affects the typical amount of money a winner will receive.

*To examine the effects, the student can create a table as follows:*

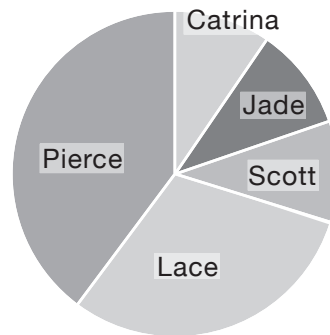
Scaling of the amount in envelope	Mean	Median	Mode
1	40	1	1
2	80	2	2
3	120	3	3
4	160	4	4
5	200	5	5

*The mean, median, and mode are increased by the same factor as the amounts in the envelopes.*

## Five Friends grade 8

Five friends got an after-school job cleaning out Mr. Hill's garage. The circle graph below shows the amount of the time each friend worked.

Fraction of Time Each  
Friend Worked



Catrina, Jade, and Scott all worked the same length of time. Pierce and Catrina together worked  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the total amount of the time the group worked. Lace worked a total of 3 hours; the amount of time she worked was equal to the amount of time that Catrina, Jade, and Scott worked all together.

1. Find the mode, median, mean, and range for the number of hours each worked.
2. If the group got paid \$40, how much should each get paid? What will the mode, median, mean, and range for the amount each earned be if the friends split the \$40 proportional to the amount of time they worked?
3. Mr. Hill decided to give the friends a bonus of \$10 because they did such a good job. If they split the bonus evenly, how would this affect the amount each friend earned? How would this affect the mode, the median, the mean, and the range of the amount that each earned?
4. Pierce said, "It's not fair to split the bonus evenly. I think we should split it proportional to the amount of time each of us worked." If the friends follow Pierce's plan, how much of the bonus will each earn? If the bonus is divided this way, how do the mode, median, mean, and range of the total amount that each earned change due to the bonus? How does this compare with the change from the even split?



## Materials

Scissors

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.12) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical procedures to describe data. The student is expected to:

(A) select the appropriate measure of central tendency to describe a set of data for a particular purpose

(B) draw conclusions and make predictions by analyzing trends in scatterplots

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How can you find the mode of a set of data?
- How can you find the median of a set of data?
- How can you find the mean of a set of data?
- How can you find the range of a set of data?
- What does the circle graph represent?
- What do you get when you add up the different fractional parts of the circle graph?
- How do you find what each part of the circle graph represents?
- Who has worked the greatest amount of time?
- Who has worked the least amount of time?
- Do you see any relationships among the amount of time each friend worked?
- How do you divide the money evenly?
- How do you divide the money based on the amount of hours worked by each friend?

### Sample Solutions

1. Using the circle graph and the information given, students can establish the amount of time each person worked. First, Catrina, Jade, and Scott all worked an equal amount of time. To verify this using the circle graph, students can cut out the portion of time Catrina worked and overlay this portion of the circle graph on Jade's and Scott's portion of the graph. The three friends had the same portion of the circle graph. If Lace worked 3 hours and this was equivalent to the amount of time Catrina, Jade and Scott worked, then Catrina, Jade, and Scott must have each worked one hour.

By looking at the circle graph, students can figure out that  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the time worked by the group equals 5 hours because Jade's 1 hour + Scott's 1 hour + Lace's 3 hours = 5 hours. If  $\frac{1}{2}$  the time was equal to 5 hours, then Pierce must have worked 4 hours, because Catrina's 1 hour + Pierce's time must equal 5 hours,  $\frac{1}{2}$  the time. Therefore, Catrina worked 1 hour, Jade worked 1 hour, Scott worked 1 hour, Lace worked 3 hours, and Pierce worked 4 hours.

Based on the amount of time found above, the mode, median, mean, and range could now be found. Since 3 of the 5 friends worked 1 hour each, this amount of time was most often worked; therefore, the mode is 1 hour.

The median of the data may be found by ordering the data from the least amount of time worked to the greatest amount of time worked then finding the data point for which half of the values of the data fall below it and half the values of the data are above it. When this is done, the median is found.

1, 1, 1, 3, 4

The median of the data is 1 hour.

The mean of the data can be found by adding the amounts of time each worked and dividing the sum by 5, because there were 5 amounts.

$$1 + 1 + 1 + 3 + 4 = 10$$

$$10 \div 5 = 2$$

The mean of the data is 2 hours.

Finding the least amount of time worked and the greatest amount of time worked will give the spread of the data or the range. The range can also be the difference of these amounts. The least amount of time worked was 1 hour and the greatest amount of time worked was 4 hours, so the range of the data is 1 hour to 4 hours, or 3 hours.

2. If the friends decided to divide the money evenly, then each would get  $\$40 \div 5$ , or \$8. If this were done the

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mode would be \$8. The median would be \$8, the mean would be \$8, and there would be no difference in the range of amounts of money each received, so the range would be from \$8 to \$8, or 0. However, if the friends decided to divide the money based on the amount of time each worked, this would change the mode, median, mean, and range. This may be done by finding an amount of money each should get per hour worked,  $\$40 \div 10 \text{ hours} = \$4 \text{ per hour}$ . Since Catrina, Jade, and Scott worked 1 hour each would get \$4. Lace worked 3 hours so she would get \$12, and Pierce, who worked 4 hours, would get \$16.

The amounts of money received are \$4, \$4, \$4, \$12, and \$16.

With this data the mode would be \$4, the median would be \$4, the mean would be \$8, and the range would be from \$4 to \$16, or \$12. The mean would stay the same because even though each friend earned a different amount of money, they still received a total of \$40 for the five to split up.

3. If they split the bonus evenly, each friend would get \$2 more. If they divided the original amount by 5, then each person would receive  $\$8 + \$2$ , or \$10. If they were paid proportional to the amount of time they worked, each person would get \$2 more, which means Catrina, Jade, and Scott would get \$6, Lace would get \$14, and Pierce would get \$18.

The amounts of money received are \$6, \$6, \$6, \$14, and \$18.

In this case, the mode would be \$6, the median would be \$6, the mean would be \$10, and the range would be from \$6 to \$18, or \$12. If each friend got \$2 more, the mode, median, and mean would each increase by \$2; however, the range would stay the same since the least amount of money earned would be \$6 and the greatest amount would be \$18. The range of the data shifted, but the spread or difference of the range remained \$12.

4. If the friends decided to divide the bonus based on the amount of time each worked, they could find the hourly rate for the bonus and give each friend that amount based on the amount of time worked. The hourly bonus rate would be  $\$10 \div 10 \text{ hours worked}$  equals \$1 per hour; therefore, Catrina, Jade, and Scott would each get \$1 added to their \$4 earned, for a total of \$5 each. Lace would get \$3 added because she worked 3 hours originally, which would make her total earnings \$15, and Pierce would get \$4 of the bonus since he originally worked 4 hours, which would make his total earnings \$20.

The amounts of money received are \$5, \$5, \$5, \$15, and \$20.

The mode would now be \$5, the median would be \$5, the mean would be the same as when the bonus is divided evenly, or \$10, and the range would be from \$5 to \$20, or \$15.

Notice that when the bonus was distributed proportionally, each friend's earnings were

increased by a scale factor of  $\frac{5}{4}$  because the amount of money with the bonus is \$50, or  $\frac{5}{4}(\$40)$ .

The mode, median, mean, and range were all increased by that same scale factor.

Mean or Median	Mean	Range
$\frac{5}{4}(\$4) = \$5$	$\frac{5}{4}(\$8) = \$10$	$\frac{5}{4}(\$12) = \$15$

This would not be the case if the bonus were split evenly. The mean was the same for each scenario because the total amount earned for the job stayed at \$50 split among 5 friends.

The range changed because now each of the amounts the friends earned grew proportionally. The friends who worked the least amount of time received the least amount of bonus, and the friends who worked more received a larger amount of the bonus, so the range of the data became greater.

### Extension Questions

- If the total number of hours increased to 30 hours and the friends still worked proportionally the same amount of time, how many hours did each friend work?

*If each friend still works proportionally the same amount of time, then the amount of time they work for 30 hours will increase proportionally. If the total hours worked increased from 10 hours to 30 hours, the time was increased by 3 times the amount. Therefore Catrina, Jade, and Scott each worked 3 times the original amount of time,  $3 \times 1 \text{ hour} = 3 \text{ hours}$ . Lace worked  $3 \times 3 \text{ hours} = 9 \text{ hours}$ , and Pierce worked  $3 \times 4 \text{ hours} = 12 \text{ hours}$ .*

$$3 \text{ hours} + 3 \text{ hours} + 3 \text{ hours} + 9 \text{ hours} + 12 \text{ hours} = 30 \text{ hours}$$

- If Jade worked a total of 10 hours and everyone else still worked proportionally the same amount of time, how many total hours did the group work?

*If Jade worked 10 hours, this means that Catrina and Scott also worked 10 hours each. Lace worked the same number of hours as did Catrina, Jade, and Scott all together, so Lace worked a total of 30 hours. Jade, Scott, and Lace worked  $\frac{1}{2}$  the time, which means they worked  $10 \text{ hours} + 10 \text{ hours} + 30 \text{ hours} = 50 \text{ hours}$ . Since Catrina's hours plus Pierce's hours also equals  $\frac{1}{2}$  the amount of the total time the group worked, then Pierce had to have worked 40 hours. Another way to find the amount of time each worked is to find the scale at which Jade increased the number of hours worked. Jade went from 1 hour to 10 hours, a scale factor of 10. Since everyone worked proportionally, this means everyone worked 10 times the amount*

*of time they had originally worked. Catrina, Jade, and Scott worked  $1 \text{ hour} \times 10 = 10$  hours. Lace worked  $3 \text{ hours} \times 10 = 30$  hours, and Pierce worked  $4 \text{ hours} \times 10 = 40$  hours.*

- If each data point in a data set is doubled, will the mode, median, mean, and range of the resulting data set all be two times the values for the original data set? How would doubling each point affect the shape of a line plot of the data?

*Yes, scaling each data point results in all of the measures of center and range scaled by the same factor. The line plot will have a similar shape but will be dilated (rescaled).*





**Chapter 6:**  
*Underlying Processes  
and Mathematical Tools*





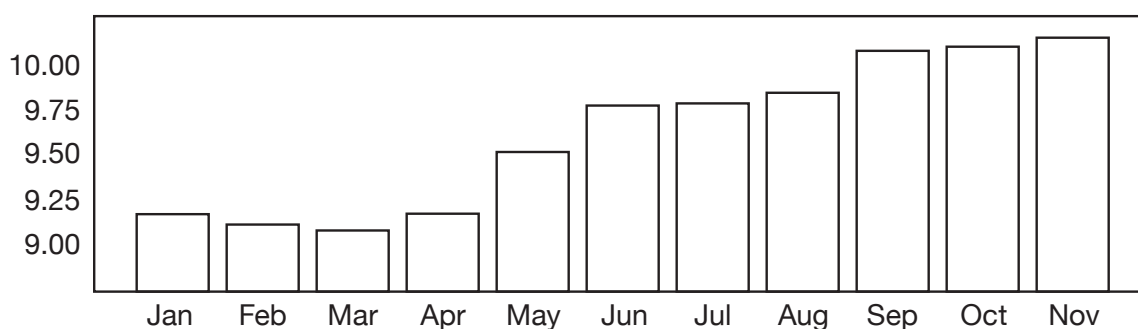
## What's in Your Wallet? grade 6

## OVERARCHING WHAT'S IN YOUR WALLET?

Upon returning from a two-week vacation in the year 2002 from Mexico City, the Marcos family visited a bank to exchange their unspent Mexican pesos for U.S. dollars. They had 178 pesos they wished to exchange for U.S. dollars.

Below is the average number of Mexican pesos (MXN) for one U.S. Dollar (1 USD).

**Exchange rates for Mexican pesos to 1 U.S. dollar, 2002**



January	9.164	MXN
February	9.106	MXN
March	9.073	MXN
April	9.166	MXN
May	9.509	MXN
June	9.767	MXN
July	9.779	MXN
August	9.838	MXN
September	10.071	MXN
October	10.094	MXN
November	10.144	MXN

1. Based on this data, approximately how many USDs should the family expect to receive in exchange for their pesos? Justify your answer.

2. Explain how you could determine which month would have resulted in fewer USDs in exchange for the pesos. Use language and graphical, numerical, physical, and/or algebraic models to communicate your reasoning.



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student represents and uses rational numbers in a variety of equivalent forms. The student is expected to:

(A) compare and order non-negative rational numbers

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) use multiplication and division of whole numbers to solve problems including situations involving equivalent ratios and rates

(D) estimate and round to approximate reasonable results and to solve problems where exact answers are not required

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

### Scaffolding Questions

- What does the information given in the table mean?
- What is an approximate exchange rate for changing Mexican pesos to USDs?
- Approximately how many Mexican pesos would the family need to exchange in order to receive 1 USD? 2 USDs? 3 USDs?
- How could you organize this information?
- What patterns do you see?
- What is the scale on the vertical axis of the bar graph?

### Sample Solutions

1. According to the table, the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and Mexican peso fluctuated between about 9 and 10 Mexican pesos for every 1 USD. The conversions are organized in the table below.

Lower-end approximate exchange rate:  
1 USD  $\approx$  9 Mexican pesos

<b>USD</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...	10	20	<i>d</i>
<b>Pesos</b>	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	...	90	180	<i>9d</i>

A pattern exists that for every 1 USD there are about 9 times as many pesos. Therefore, 20 USDs is about 180 pesos ( $20 \times 9 = 180$ ).

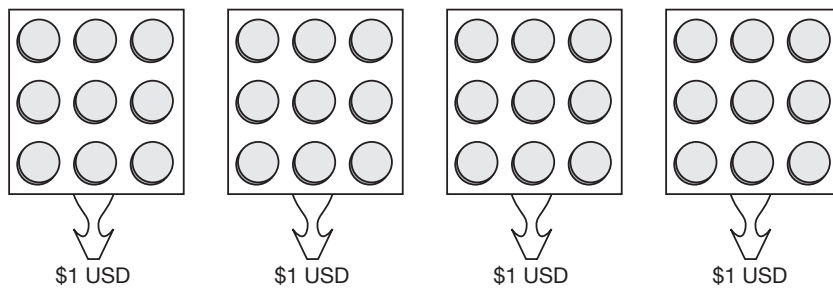
Higher-end approximate exchange rate:  
1 USD  $\approx$  10 Mexican pesos

<b>USD</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...	17	18	19	20	<i>d</i>
<b>Pesos</b>	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	...	170	180	190	200	<i>10d</i>

Now the pattern states that for every 1 USD there are about 10 times as many pesos. Therefore, 18 USDs is about 180 pesos ( $18 \times 10 = 180$ ).

If the Marcos family exchanged their 178 pesos for USDs, they would receive approximately \$18 to \$20, depending on the daily exchange rate.

2. According to the bar graph, November had the highest exchange rate with a rate of about 10.14 pesos for 1 USD. This means that it would take more pesos to equate to 1 USD in November than it would in March, when it would take only 9 pesos to equate to 1 USD. Consider the simple example given below, where each circle represents 1 peso.



In March, the 36 pesos above could have been exchanged for about 4 USDs at the rate of 1 USD for every 9 pesos. In November, when the exchange rate was at its highest average, 36 pesos could not be exchanged for 4 USDs. It would take 40 pesos to equate to 4 USDs at the rate of 1 USD for every 10 pesos. Therefore, the higher the exchange rate, the more pesos are needed to make 1 USD, which means you get fewer U.S. dollars for your peso.

Based on the tables given in problem 1, the Marcos family would have received nearly 20 USDs in exchange for their 178 pesos in March. However, in November, the same 178 pesos would have been exchanged for only \$18 dollars (approximately).

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

(6.10) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical representations to analyze data. The student is expected to:

(B) use median, mode, and range to describe data

(D) solve problems by collecting, organizing, displaying, and interpreting data

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas

### Extension Questions

- If the Marcos family exchanged their pesos in the month of May at an exact exchange rate of 9.5 pesos to 1 USD, how could you determine the amount of USDs the family would receive?

*Exchange rate: 1 USD = 9.5 Mexican pesos*

<b>USD</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...	10	...	?	<i>d</i>
<b>Pesos</b>	9.5	19	28.5	38	47.5	57	66.5	...	95	...	<b>178</b>	<i>9.5d</i>

*The pattern shows that to find the number of pesos, you multiply the number of USDs by 9.5.*

*Use a calculator to see how many groups of 9.5 are in 178. Divide as shown below:*

$$178 \div 9.5 \approx 18.74$$

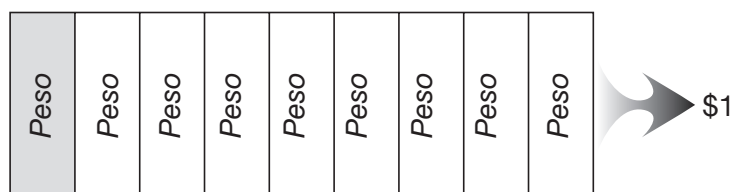
*Multiplying the rate  $\frac{1 \text{ USD}}{9.5 \text{ pesos}}$  by  $\frac{18.74}{18.74}$  gives an equivalent rate.*

$$\frac{1 \text{ USD} \times 18.74}{9.5 \text{ pesos} \times 18.74} \approx \frac{18.74 \text{ USD}}{178 \text{ pesos}}$$

*The Marcos family would receive 18.74 USDs in exchange for their 178 Mexican pesos.*

- If the average exchange rate for 2002 is approximately 9 pesos for every 1 USD, how many U.S. dollars would 1 peso be worth?

*If the exchange rate is 9 pesos for every 1 USD, then 1 peso would be worth  $\frac{1}{9}$  of a dollar. The figure below represents 1 USD. It has been divided into 9 equal parts to represent 9 pesos = 1 USD. Therefore, 1 peso equals  $\frac{1}{9}$  of the dollar.*



using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(B) evaluate the effectiveness of different representations to communicate ideas

(6.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

### **Texas Assessment Knowledge and Skills**

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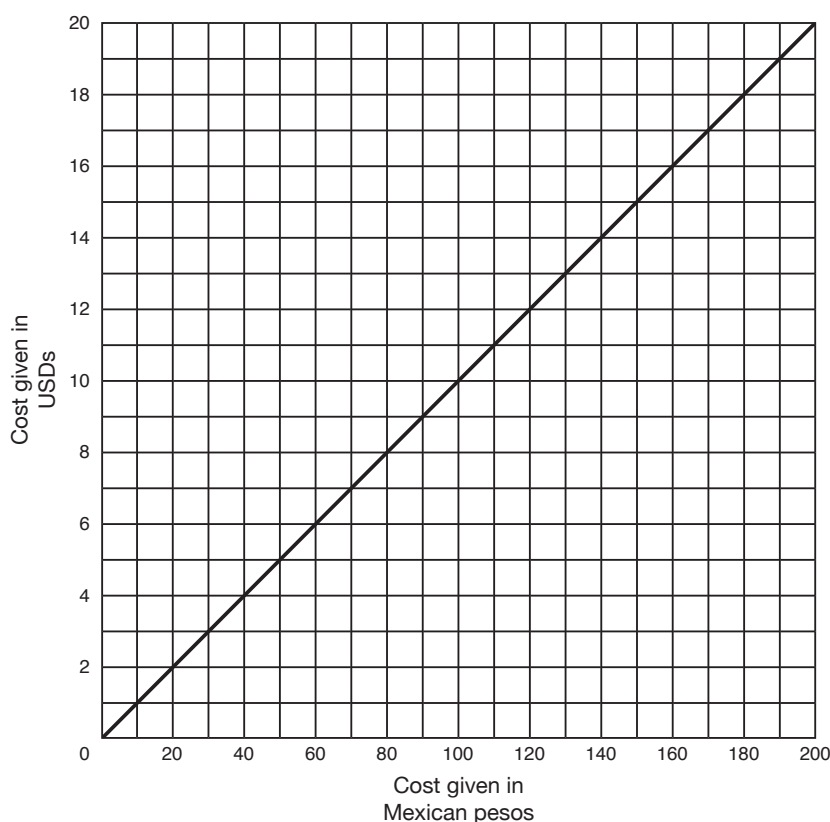




## What's in Your Wallet? grade 7

During a two-week trip to Mexico, the Marcos family purchased several mementos. John, the youngest son, purchased a T-shirt for 85 pesos. Cindy, the oldest daughter, purchased a leather belt for 150 pesos. Mrs. Marcos brought back a piñata for which she spent 90 pesos.

**USD and Mexican peso conversion graph**



1. How much did the souvenirs cost in USDs? How did you determine this?
  - a. T-Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Leather belt: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Piñata: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did the exchange rate appear to be at the time of the Marcos family vacation? What is your evidence?

3. To help convert pesos into dollars quickly, the Marcos family wanted to create a table showing the relationship between the USD and the peso. Based on the exchange rate found in question 2 above, find the missing values in the table.

**USD and Mexican peso conversion chart**

Value in USDs		0.50	1	2		7	
Value in Mexican pesos	1				35		100

4. Describe a rule (in words) that the Marcos family could use to determine the number of USDs they are spending for an item that is priced in pesos.
5. If Mr. Marcos purchased an iron sculpture for 1,250 pesos, would the exchange rate given in USD be found at the point (1,250, 12.50)? Give reasons to validate your answer.



## Materials

Graphing calculator  
(optional)

Ruler or straight edge

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

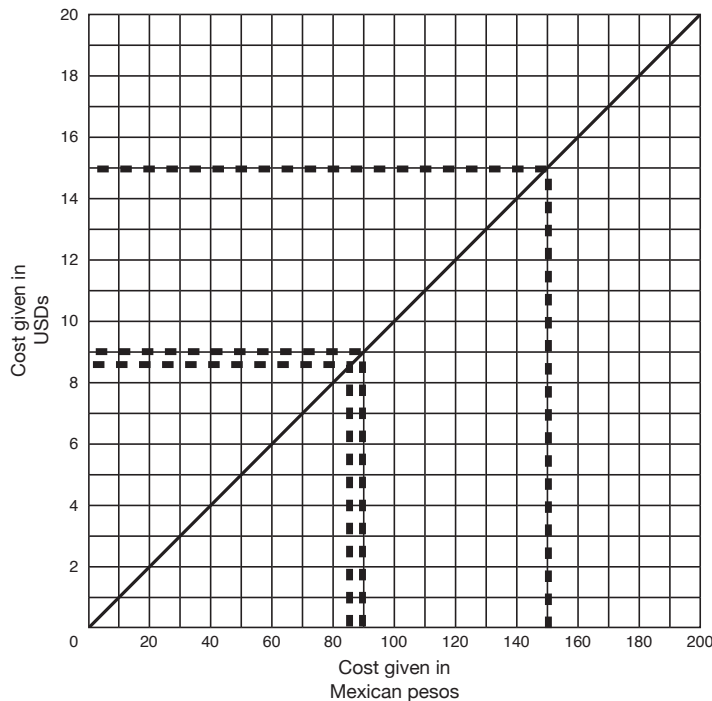
## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- How could you use the graph to find the number of pesos that are equal to 1 USD?
- Explain why this rate is important. What is the name of this special rate?
- How could you use this rate to complete the graph?
- Using the graph, how many pesos are equivalent to 2 USDs? 3 USDs? 4 USDs?
- How could you organize this data?
- What patterns do you observe?
- Using the unit rate and graph, how can you validate the cost in USDs of the T-shirt that was purchased for 85 pesos?

## Sample Solutions

- Using the graph, the cost of each item purchased in pesos can be determined in USDs. Find the cost in pesos along the x-axis and use a ruler or straight edge while drawing a vertical line segment from this point to the line on the graph.



From this point of intersection, draw a horizontal line segment to the  $y$ -axis. Read the cost in USDs at this point of intersection on the  $y$ -axis.

- T-shirt: \$8.50
  - Leather belt: \$15.00
  - Piñata: \$9.00
- The exchange rate was approximately 1 USD = 10 pesos. This rate can be determined from the linear pattern of the graph. The graph is a straight line. The relationship between the number of dollars and the number of pesos is proportional. The constant of proportionality is determined by finding a point on the graph (20, 2).

$$\frac{2 \text{ dollars}}{20 \text{ pesos}} = \frac{1 \text{ dollar}}{10 \text{ pesos}} \text{ or 1 dollar for every 10 pesos}$$

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(B) graph data to demonstrate relationships in familiar concepts such as conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

(7.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to describe location on a plane. The student is expected to:

(A) locate and name points on a coordinate plane using ordered pairs of integers

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to

everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(7.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(7.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

This rate may also be written

$$\frac{\$1}{10 \text{ pesos}} = \frac{\$1 \div 10}{10 \text{ pesos} \div 10} = \frac{\$0.10}{1 \text{ peso}} \text{ or } \$0.10 \text{ per peso}$$

- To complete the table, use the conversion rate from problem 2: \$0.10 for 1 peso and \$1 for 10 pesos. To find other values in the table multiply by the scale factor. The completed table showing the relationship between the USD and the peso is given below.

**USD and Mexican peso conversion chart**

Value in USDs	0.10	$5(0.10)=0.50$	1	$2(1)=2$	$3.5(1)=3.5$	$7(1)=7$	$10(1)=10$
Value in Mexican pesos	1	$5(1)=5$	10	$2(10)=20$	$3.5(10)=35$	$7(10)=70$	$10(10)=100$

- A rate of 1 peso to 0.10 of a USD is determined by the table. This means that for every peso, the value in USDs is \$0.10. To find the amount of USDs an item would cost, take the price given in pesos and multiply by \$0.10. Let  $d$  be the number of USDs and let  $p$  be the number of pesos.

$$d = 0.10p$$

- No, the point with coordinates (1,250, 12.50) does not represent the correct conversion in USDs for the iron sculpture purchased for 1,250 pesos. Using the graph, if the amount given in USDs is \$12.50, its corresponding peso value would be 125 pesos and located at the point with coordinates (125, 12.50). If the sculpture cost 1,250 pesos, the amount of the sculpture given in USDs would be \$125 because the value of the peso is  $\frac{1}{10}$  the value of the U.S. dollar. Dimensional analysis can be used to determine the amount paid in USDs, as shown below.

$$\frac{1,250 \text{ pesos} \times 1 \text{ USD}}{10 \text{ pesos}} = 125 \text{ USD}$$

## Extension Questions

- On any given day the exchange rate can fluctuate. Suppose the exchange rate had been 1 USD = 9 pesos. How would this have affected your graph?

*The new ordered pairs (pesos, USDs) would include (9, 1), (85, 9.4), (150, 16.67), and (90, 10). This would have produced a different pattern and hence a different line. The line would be slightly steeper than the original line in the first quadrant. In the original graph, there was a vertical change of \$0.10 for every peso; whereas, in this graph, there is a vertical change of \$1 for every 9 pesos. This rate can be converted to about \$0.11 for every peso.*

$$\frac{\$1}{9 \text{ pesos}} = \frac{\$1 \div 9}{9 \text{ pesos} \div 9} \approx \$0.11 \text{ for every 1 peso}$$

- How would this new exchange rate have affected the Marcos family?

*An exchange rate of 1 USD = 9 pesos would have meant the Marcos family would have had to spend more USDs on their souvenir items. With the original exchange rate, the Marcos family would have spent \$1 for something valued at 10 pesos. Now that same \$1 can only buy an item worth 9 pesos.*

- Is the relationship between the number of pesos and the number of U.S. dollars proportional? Give reasons to support your answer.

*Yes. Examine the table of values showing the relationship between pesos and USDs. The ratio of USDs to pesos is 0.10 to 1 and can be expressed as  $\frac{d}{p} = 0.10$  where  $d$  represents the value in USDs and  $p$ , the value in pesos. There is a constant of proportionality of 0.10 or  $\frac{1}{10}$ . Each ordered pair (pesos, USDs) shows a multiplicative relationship between the value in USDs and the value in pesos. For example, the ordered pair (20, 2) shows that for 2 dollars, the number of pesos is 10 times 2, or 20. This same ordered pair shows that for 20 pesos the number of USDs is  $\frac{1}{10}$  times 20, or 2.*

## Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

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Any pair of related values can be found using another related pair of values as shown in the table.

Value in USDs	0.10	0.50	1	2	3.5	7	10
Value in Mexican pesos	1	5	10	20	35	70	100

- Give two rules that describe the relationship between USDs and pesos in this problem.

Let  $d$  represent the amount given in USDs and  $p$  represent the amount given in pesos. If the exchange rate is 1 USD = 10 pesos, then

$$d = \frac{1}{10}p \text{ or } p = 10d$$

## What's in Your Wallet?

### grade 8

Alfred won a radio contest where the prize was a trip around the world, visiting the countries of Canada, Great Britain, Germany, and Mexico. In addition to having all travel expenses paid for, Alfred was given \$500 to spend in each country. However, Alfred was soon faced with the challenge that the prices in each country were given in the currency of that particular country—not USDs (U.S. dollars). Afraid that he would spend more than his allotted 500 USD, Alfred went online to find the current exchange rates and found the data below.

	<b>USD</b> United States Dollar	<b>EUR</b> Euro	<b>GBP</b> United Kingdom Pound	<b>JPY</b> Japan Yen	<b>CAD</b> Canada Dollar	<b>MXN</b> Mexican Peso
1 <b>USD</b> Buys	1.00000	0.973710	0.623950	120.396	1.55069	10.1910
Inverse	1.00000	1.02700	1.60269	0.00830782	0.64487	0.098126

1. Using the information from the table above, Alfred estimated about how much money he could spend based on the countries' currencies. What would be a reasonable estimate for each of the 4 countries?

Canada (Canadian dollar): \_\_\_\_\_

Great Britain (British pound): \_\_\_\_\_

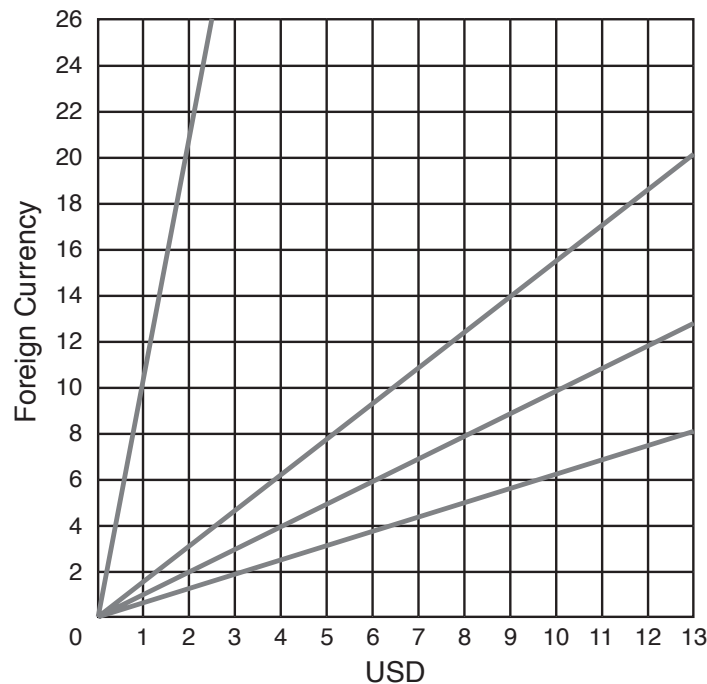
Germany (Euro): \_\_\_\_\_

Mexico (Mexican peso): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Worried that an estimate might not be sufficient, Alfred made the following table for a more accurate exchange calculation.

USD	\$1	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$10	$n$
CAD							
GBP							
EUR							
MXN							

- a. Complete the table to show the exchange amounts.
- b. After further investigation online, Alfred saw the exchange rates displayed as a graph. Alfred thought this representation would be helpful on his trip; so he printed the graphs, only to find that some information did not print. Help Alfred determine which line represents each country's exchange rate by labeling each line appropriately. Explain how you made your determination.



- c. If Alfred has \$500 to spend in each country, how much money is this in foreign currency? Validate these amounts by using two strategies that produce the same conclusions.

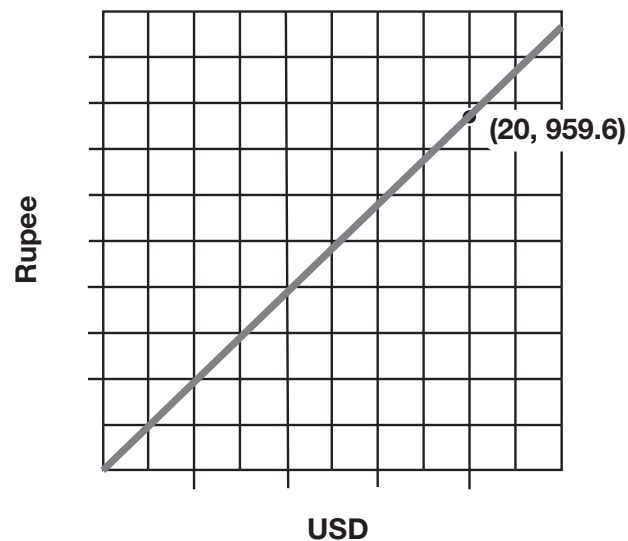
Canada (Canadian dollar): \_\_\_\_\_

Great Britain (British pound): \_\_\_\_\_

Germany (Euro): \_\_\_\_\_

Mexico (Mexican peso): \_\_\_\_\_

- d. Which line would the ordered pair (55.50, 86.06) most likely belong to? Give evidence to validate your conclusion.
- e. Sketch the line relating Australian dollars to U.S. dollars in the previous graph if 1 USD buys 1.78 Australian dollars.
- f. What would be true if a country's exchange rate was shown on this graph as the line  $y = x$ ?
3. On a one-night layover in Tokyo, Japan, Alfred spent 90 yen. What type of item would be a reasonable purchase for that amount of money? Explain your reasoning.
4. The graph below shows the exchange rate between the USD and the Indian rupee. Using the information provided, is it possible to determine how much an item would cost in rupees if it cost 5 USDs? Explain your reasoning.



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student understands that different forms of numbers are appropriate for different situations. The student is expected to:

(B) select and use appropriate forms of rational numbers to solve real-life problems including those involving proportional relationships

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) evaluate a solution for reasonableness

(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  
 $a = 1.4h$

### Scaffolding Questions

- About how much of a Euro does 1 USD buy? 2 USDs? 3 USDs? Repeat question for each of the currencies.
- How could you use your graphing calculator to help you answer this question?
- What does the ordered pair (5, 7.75) mean on the graph in the context of the problem?
- What would that graph look like if the ratio between USDs and a foreign currency was 1 to 1? 1 to 2?
- What information do you have concerning the relationship between the yen and the USD?
- How could you describe this relationship in words? In symbols? With a graph?

### Sample Solutions

1. One USD buys approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Canadian dollars. If Alfred had 500 USDs then he could spend 500 groups of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Canadian dollars. This can be done mentally by breaking  $1\frac{1}{2}$  into two parts, 1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$ . One whole group of 500 is 500; half a group of 500 is 250. Adding these parts together gives approximately 750 Canadian dollars for 500 USDs.

The USD buys about 0.62 or 60% of the Great Britain pound. By expressing 60% as 50% + 10%, students can do the computation mentally: 50% of 500 = \$250 and 10% of 500 = \$50. Combining the parts together gives about 300 pounds for 500 USDs. Sixty percent of 500 is the same as 50% of 500 plus 10% of 500 because there is a proportional relationship between a number and the percentage of that number. As the percentage increases, the percentage of a given number also increases proportionally.

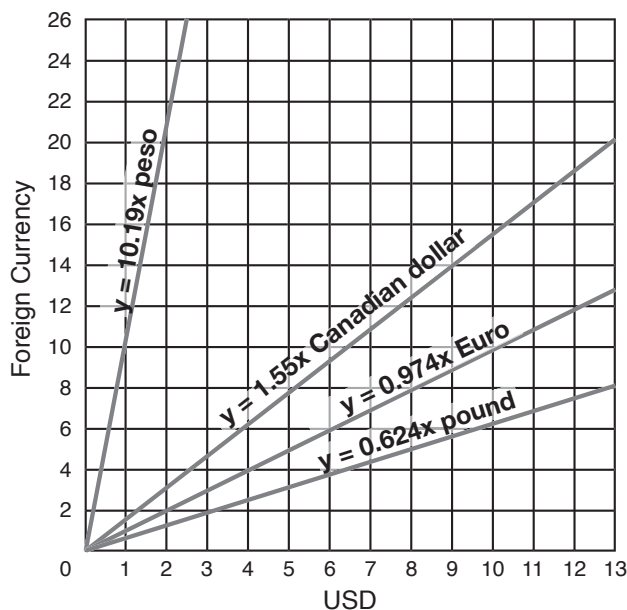
The Euro has about a 1 to 1 ratio with the USD.  
Therefore, 500 USDs would buy about 500 Euros.

The USD buys about 10 times as many pesos;  
therefore, 500 USDs would buy about 5,000 pesos.

2. a. Alfred's completed table shows an exchange rate among the currencies in the 5 countries he will visit.

USD	\$1	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$10	$n$
CAD	1.55	3.10	4.65	6.20	7.75	15.51	$1.55069n$
GBP	0.62395	1.25	1.87	2.50	3.12	6.24	$0.62395n$
EUR	0.97371	1.95	2.92	3.89	4.87	9.74	$0.97371n$
MXN	10.191	20.38	30.57	40.76	50.96	101.91	$10.191n$

- b. To label the lines the student may look for the rates that appear in his table. The steepest graph contains the point (1, 10.191) on the line that represents the relationship between the dollar and the peso. The point (1, 1.55) is on the line that represents the relationship between the dollar and Canadian dollar. The point (1, 0.974) is on the line that represents the relationship between the dollar and the Euro. The point (1, 0.624) is on the line that represents the relationship between the dollar and the pound. The completed graph shows the relationship between the USD and other currencies.



(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

- c. Using the rules found in the table, the exchanges for 500 USDs can be computed for Canada, Great Britain, Germany, and Mexico as shown below.

**Canada (Canadian dollar):**

$$1.55069n = 1.55069 \times 500 \approx 775.35 \text{ Canadian dollars}$$

**Great Britain (British pound):**

$$0.62395n = 0.62395 \times 500 \approx 311.98 \text{ pounds}$$

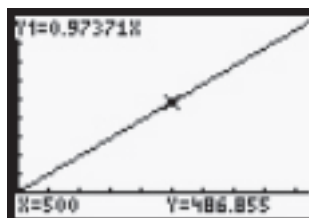
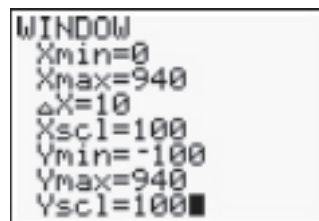
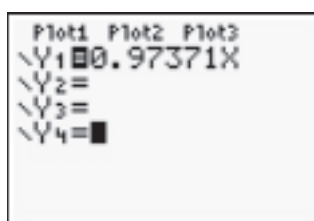
**Germany (Euro):**

$$0.97371n = 0.97371 \times 500 \approx 486.86 \text{ Euros}$$

**Mexico (Mexican peso):**

$$10.191n = 10.191 \times 500 \approx 5,095.50 \text{ pesos}$$

These amounts are reasonable when compared to estimates in problem 1. The answers can be validated by entering each equation into a graphing calculator and using the trace feature or table feature to find the amount of foreign currency equal to 500 USDs. For example, to compute the number of Euros, graph the rule  $y = 0.97371x$ .

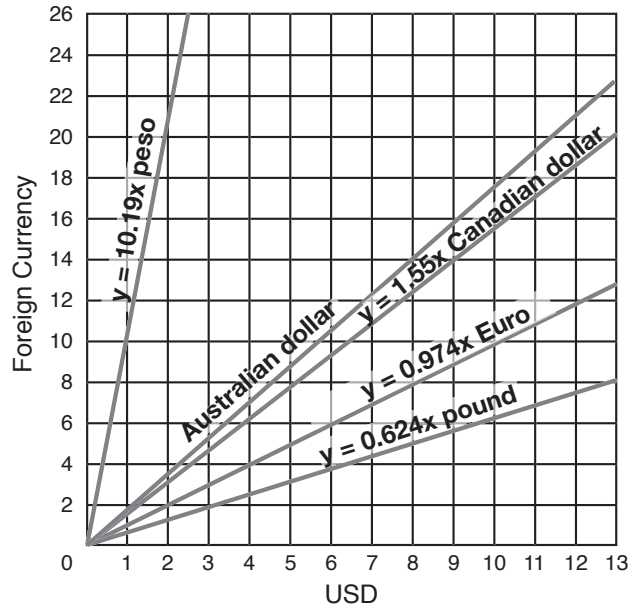


- d. The ordered pair (55.50, 86.06) will most likely lie on the graph  $y = 1.55069x$ , because 86 is approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the value of 55. To validate this conclusion, substitute the values for  $x$  and  $y$  in the equation  $y = 1.55069x$  as follows:

$$86.06 = (1.55069)(55.50)$$

$$86.06 = 86.06$$

- e. The graph depicting the relationship between Australian dollars and U.S. dollars is shown below. The graph was created by plotting the points (0, 0) and (1, 1.78).



- f. The line  $y = x$  would represent a 1 to 1 ratio. In other words, 1 USD would buy 1 unit of foreign currency; 2 USDs would buy 2 units of foreign currency; 3 USDs would buy 3 units of foreign currency.
3. From the table, 1 USD can buy about 120 yen. Since 90 yen is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 120 yen, then 90 yen are equal to  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a USD, or \$0.75. For this price, it is reasonable to assume Alfred made a small purchase, like a soft drink, for example.
4. If 20 USD can buy 959.6 rupees, then  $\frac{1}{4}$  of that amount, 5 USDs, should buy  $\frac{1}{4}$  the number of rupees or 239.9 rupees. The ordered pair would be (5, 239.9).

(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(8.16) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

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## Extension Questions

- Why do all the graphs meet at the origin?

*The relationships between the USD and the foreign currencies are proportional, and the graphs of the proportional relationships will contain the point (0, 0). In this case the ordered pair (0, 0) means 0 USD will buy 0 units of foreign currency.*

- Exchange rates fluctuate daily. If the exchange rate changes so that 1 USD buys 9.9179 pesos, how would this affect its graph? What would this change mean in terms of the buying power of the USD?

*The slope of the line would be less steep because the exchange rate is less than it was before, causing the line to increase at a slower rate. For example, on December 20, 2002, 1 USD could purchase more than 10 pesos. However, at the new rate, the same 1 USD could purchase less than 10 pesos (9.9179 pesos).*

- Find a currency converter online. What currency would produce a graph that would lie between the graphs of the Canadian dollar and the Mexican peso?

*Answers will vary depending on the market rate. However, students must find a currency with an exchange rate between 1.55 and 10.191 units per USD.*

- Find a currency converter online. Find the currency that would produce the steepest line in relation to the USD. What does this rate mean in terms of the buying power of the USD?

*Answers will vary depending on the market rate. However, the greater the exchange rate the stronger the dollar, meaning you can buy more units of currency per 1 USD.*

- Find the currency that would produce the least steep line in relation to the USD. What does this rate mean in terms of the buying power of the USD?

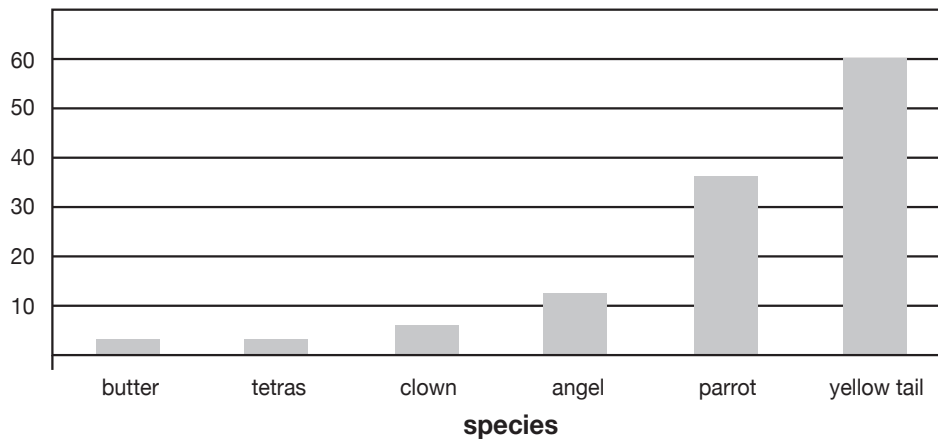
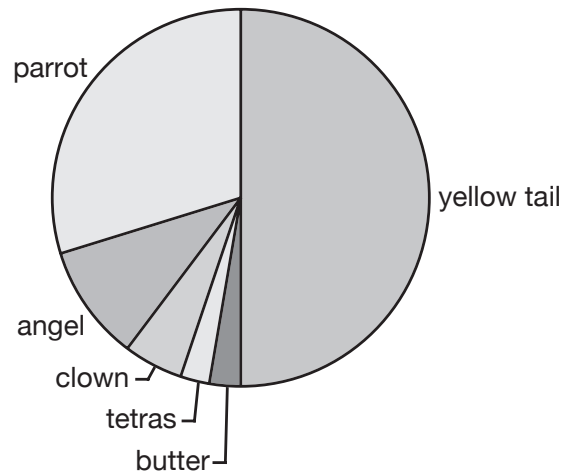
*Answers will vary depending on the market rate. However, the lesser the exchange rate the weaker the dollar, meaning you cannot buy as many units of currency per 1 USD.*

## Gone Fishin' grade 6

The Aqua Shoppe is installing a giant aquarium to house the tropical fish that they sell. The store sells angelfish, clown fish, parrot fish, butterfly, yellow tail damsels, and tetras. Based on demand, the manager requested the tank to be stocked with twice as many angelfish as clown fish; three times as many parrot fish as angelfish;  $\frac{1}{2}$  as many butterfly as clown fish, and the same number of tetras as butterfly. Any remaining fish could be stocked as the sales clerk wished as long as every fish the store sold was represented in the tank and the tank contained its recommended quantity of 120 fish.

1. How many of each fish can the sales clerk order? Explain your reasoning.
2. Based on the sales order in question 1, what percentage of the fish in the aquarium will be
  - a. Angelfish?
  - b. Clown fish?
  - c. Parrot fish?
  - d. Butterfly?
  - e. Yellow tail damsels?
  - f. Tetras?
3. What is the maximum number of parrot fish that can be ordered for the tank? Explain.
4. What is the smallest number of parrot fish that can be ordered for the tank? Justify your answer.
5. What is the ratio of angelfish to butterfly? Use mathematical language to explain why this relationship exists.
6. If the sales clerk stocked the tank with 20% parrot fish, how many angelfish were ordered? Explain your answer.
7. When the manager of the Aqua Shoppe asked the sales clerk to leave the fish inventory on his desk, the clerk left the following graphical representations of the order.

### Fish inventory



If possible, how could you help the manager determine the number of fish ordered from the information the sales clerk made available? If it is not possible, communicate your reasons.

8. If Aqua Shoppe got a new fish tank that contained 8 times as much water as the old tank, and was stocked with the same proportion of tropical fish, how many of each fish would be in the new tank if it contained 20% parrot fish? What would be the total number of fish in the aquarium? Explain your reasoning.

a. Number of angelfish: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Number of clown fish: \_\_\_\_\_

- c. Number of parrot fish: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Number of butterflyfish: \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Number of tetras: \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Number of yellow tail damsels: \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Total number of fish: \_\_\_\_\_

## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Grid paper, 10 inches by 12 inches

Multicolored cubes (ample amounts of 6 different colors to represent the 6 different kinds of fish)

Calculator (optional)

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(C) use multiplication and division of whole numbers to solve problems including situations involving equivalent ratios and rates

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

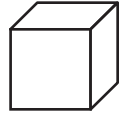
### Scaffolding Questions

- What are the conditions that the sales clerk must follow when ordering fish?
- According to the information, are there more angelfish or clown fish? How do you know?
- According to the information, are there more butterflyfish or clown fish? How do you know?
- If you know how many angelfish you have, how would you determine the number of parrot fish?
- What is the ratio of angelfish to clown fish? Parrot fish to angelfish? Butterflyfish to clown fish?
- How can you use ratios to find possible combinations of fish that could be ordered?
- How can you organize all the possible combinations of fish that could be ordered?
- How can you determine when you have found the correct combinations?
- Could there be more than one combination that meets the conditions the manager gave the sales clerk? How do you know?

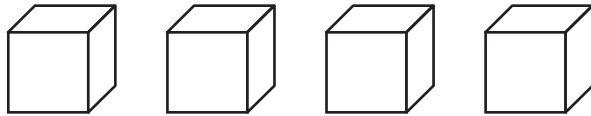
### Sample Solutions

1. There are 5 possible solutions to the problem. One option the clerk has is to order the following:
  - 8 angelfish (twice as many as clown)
  - 4 clown fish
  - 24 parrot fish (three times as many as angel)
  - 2 butterflyfish (half as many as clown)
  - 2 tetras (same number as butter)
  - 80 yellow tail damsels

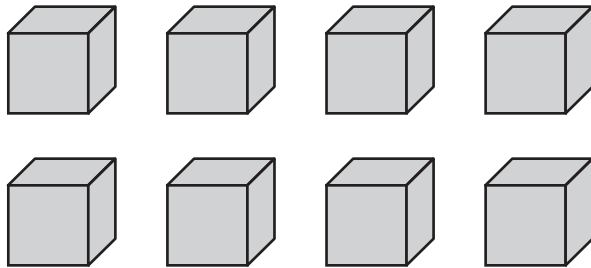
Multicolored cubes can be used to represent the different fish, along with a guess-and-check solution strategy to model this problem. For example: Let one cube



represent a clown fish. Then four clown fish can be represented by four cubes:



Twice as many angelfish can be represented by 8 cubes:



The ratio of angelfish to clown fish is 2 : 1

All possible solutions are given in the table in the table below.

Angelfish	Clown fish	Parrot fish	Butterfish	Tetras	Yellow tail damsels
4	2	12	1	1	100
8	4	24	2	2	80
12	6	36	3	3	60
16	8	48	4	4	40
20	10	60	5	5	20

2. Using the sales clerk's order, the tank will contain the following percentages of fish:

$$8 \div 120 = 0.06667 \approx 6.67\% \text{ angelfish}$$

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(C) use ratios to make predictions in proportional situations

(6.10) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical representations to analyze data. The student is expected to:

(A) draw and compare different graphical representations of the same data

(C) sketch circle graphs to display data

(D) solve problems by collecting, organizing, displaying, and interpreting data

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and

outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas

$$4 \div 120 = 0.0333 \approx 3.33\% \text{ clown fish}$$

$$24 \div 120 = 0.2 = 20\% \text{ parrot fish}$$

$$2 \div 120 = 0.016667 \approx 1.67\% \text{ butterflyfish}$$

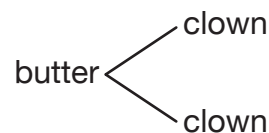
$$2 \div 120 = 0.016667 \approx 1.67\% \text{ tetras}$$

$$80 \div 120 = 0.6667 \approx 66.67\% \text{ yellow tail damsels}$$

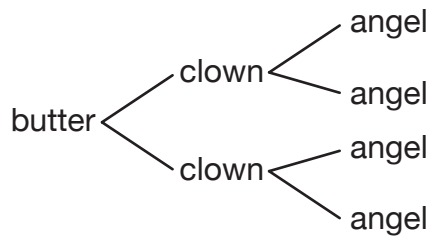
This process is used for all the possible combinations.

Angelfish	Clown fish	Parrot fish	Butterfish	Tetras	Yellow tail damsels
$4 \div 120 \approx 3.3\%$	$2 \div 120 \approx 1.7\%$	$12 \div 120 \approx 10\%$	$1 \div 120 \approx 0.8\%$	$1 \div 120 \approx 0.8\%$	$100 \div 120 \approx 83.3\%$
$8 \div 120 \approx 6.6\%$	$4 \div 120 \approx 3.3\%$	$24 \div 120 \approx 20\%$	$2 \div 120 \approx 1.7\%$	$2 \div 120 \approx 1.7\%$	$80 \div 120 \approx 66.7\%$
$12 \div 120 \approx 10\%$	$6 \div 120 \approx 5\%$	$36 \div 120 \approx 30\%$	$3 \div 120 \approx 2.5\%$	$3 \div 120 \approx 2.5\%$	$60 \div 120 \approx 50\%$
$16 \div 120 \approx 13.3\%$	$8 \div 120 \approx 6.6\%$	$48 \div 120 \approx 40\%$	$4 \div 120 \approx 3.3\%$	$4 \div 120 \approx 3.3\%$	$40 \div 120 \approx 33.3\%$
$20 \div 120 \approx 16.7\%$	$10 \div 120 \approx 8.3\%$	$60 \div 120 \approx 50\%$	$5 \div 120 \approx 4.2\%$	$5 \div 120 \approx 4.2\%$	$20 \div 120 \approx 16.7\%$

- According to the table in number 1, the maximum number of parrot fish that can be ordered is 60. If 72 are ordered, then it would not be possible to order exactly 120 fish and follow the guidelines given by the manager.
- The smallest number of parrot fish that can be ordered is 12. If fewer than 12 are ordered, then there would only be part of a butterflyfish according to the constraints of the manager. Ordering fewer than 12 parrot fish is not possible in this situation.
- The ratio between angelfish and butterflyfish is 4 to 1. This relationship exists because the manager asked for “ $\frac{1}{2}$  as many butterflyfish as clown fish.” In other words, for every butterflyfish there are 2 clown fish.

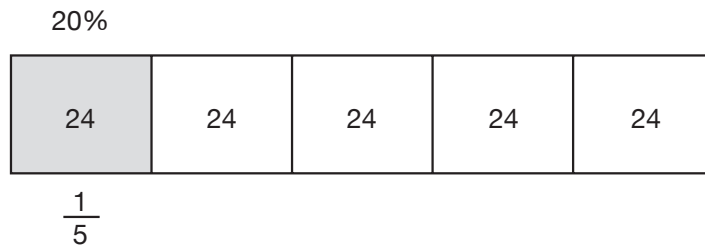


Furthermore, the manger asked for “twice as many angelfish as clown fish.” This means that for every clown fish there are 2 angelfish.



Therefore, for every butterflyfish there will be 4 angelfish.

6. Saying that 20% of the tank consisted of parrot fish is the same as saying that  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the tank consisted of parrot fish. The model below represents the Aqua Shoppe's fish tank containing 120 fish. The model has been divided into 5 equal parts.



Each fifth contains 24 fish; therefore, if 20%, or  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the tank contains parrot fish, then the clerk ordered 24 parrot fish. There are 3 times as many parrot fish as there are angelfish; therefore, there is  $\frac{1}{3}$  the number of angelfish as parrot fish. One-third of 24<sup>3</sup> is 8, so there are 8 angelfish.

7. Of the two graphs, the circle graph provides more information. From the circle graph provided by the sales clerk, the manager can see that about 50% or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the fish ordered were yellow tail damsels, and slightly more than 25% of the order were parrot fish. This is enough information for the manager to determine the exact number of each type of fish, assuming the clerk followed the manager's directions for ordering the fish. From the circle graph, it can easily be seen that of the 120 fish ordered,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of them, or 60 fish were yellow tail damsels. All the possible options for ordering the fish are given in the table below.

using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(B) evaluate the effectiveness of different representations to communicate ideas

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical process and tools used in problem solving.



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20	10	60	5	5	20

Of these possible orders, only the highlighted option would provide a tank that was  $\frac{1}{2}$  yellow tail damsels (60 out of 120 or  $\frac{60}{120} = \frac{1}{2}$ ) and slightly more than 25% parrot fish ( $\frac{36}{120} = \frac{18}{60} = \frac{9}{30} = \frac{3}{10} = \frac{30}{100} = 30\%$  parrot fish).

8. To determine the number of each species in the new tank, it will be necessary to know the number of each type of fish in the old tank. From question 6 we know that 20% or 24 of the 120 fish in the old tank are parrot fish. Therefore, according to the manager's conditions, Aqua Shoppe's tank contains the following numbers of fish.

8 angelfish ( $\frac{1}{3}$  as many as parrot fish and twice as many as clown fish)

4 clown fish

24 parrot fish (three times as many as angelfish)

2 butterflyfish (half as many as clown fish)

2 tetras (same number as butterflyfish)

80 yellow tail damsels (120 total fish minus all the other fish combined)

If the new tank holds 8 times as much water as the old tank, then it will hold 8 times the number of fish, or  $8 \times 120 = 960$ . Since both tanks have the same ratio of fish, the number of each species in the new tank will be 8 times the number of each species in the old tank. Therefore, the new tank will contain the following number of each species.

64 angelfish (twice as many as clown fish)

32 clown fish

192 parrot fish (three times as many as angelfish)

16 butterflyfish (half as many as clown fish)

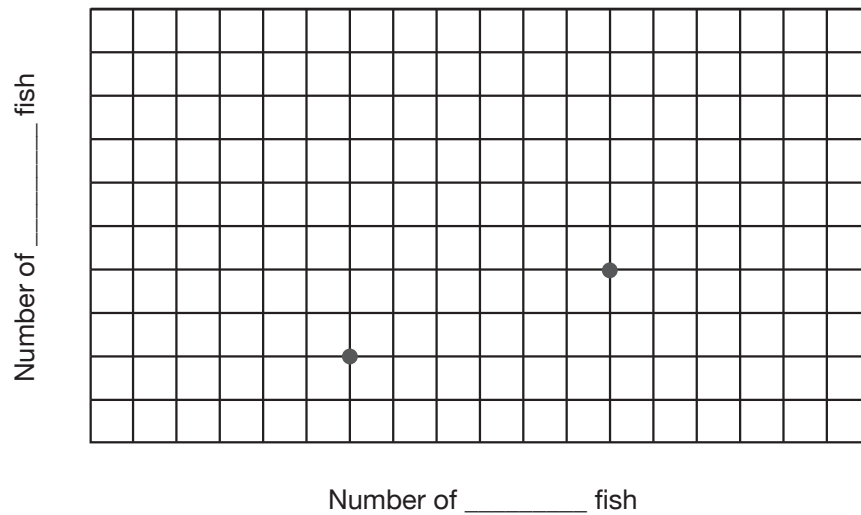
16 tetras (same number as butterflyfish)

640 yellow tail damsels (8 x 120 total fish minus all the other fish combined)

960 total fish (120 x 8)

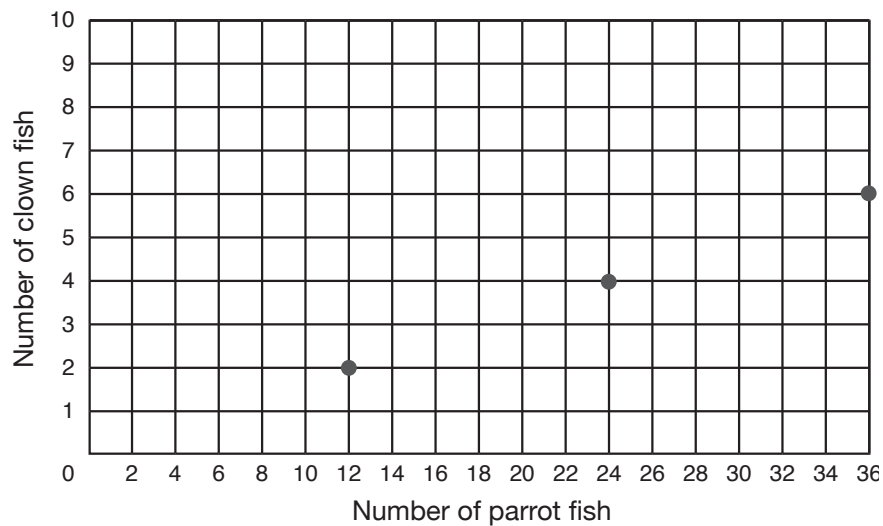
### Extension Questions

- The following graph shows the relationship between two different types of fish in Aqua Shoppe's tank. What are the two fish represented in this graph? Give evidence for your conclusion.



*Possible solution:*

*The scale of the graph could be defined as the following:*



Identifying the scales as shown above illustrates the relationship between the number of parrot fish and the number of clown fish. These ordered pairs can be found in the table below that lists all the possible ordering options.

Angelfish	Clown fish	Parrot fish	Butterfish	Tetras	Yellow tail damsels
4	2	12	1	1	100
8	4	24	2	2	80
12	6	36	3	3	60
16	8	48	4	4	40
20	10	60	5	5	20

- If one exists, give the ratio of parrot fish to clown fish that is represented in the previous graph. Be sure to provide mathematical evidence that will validate your conclusion.

The pattern in the table shows that there are 6 times as many parrot fish as clown fish. Each ordered pair of the graph shows this same multiplicative relationship. For example, the ordered pair (12, 2) shows that the number of parrot fish (12) is 6 times the number of clown fish (2). Comparing the number of parrot fish to the number of clown fish for each row in the given table, the ratio of parrot fish to clown fish is 6 : 1. This means that for every clown fish there are 6 parrot fish. These equivalent ratios are shown below:

$$\frac{\text{parrot fish}}{\text{clown fish}} = \frac{6}{1} = \frac{12}{2} = \frac{24}{4} = \frac{36}{6} = \frac{48}{8} = \frac{60}{10} = \frac{6}{1}$$

- Write an equation relating the number of angelfish  $a$  to the number of parrot fish  $p$ .

Number of angelfish $a$	Process	Number of parrot fish $p$
1	$3 \times 1$	3
2	$3 \times 2$	6
4	$3 \times 4$	12
8	$3 \times 8$	24
$a$	$3 \times a$	

From the table, the number of parrot fish is three times the number of angelfish. This relationship can be written as  $p = 3a$ .

- Suppose the tank was stocked with the following fish:

Angelfish	Clown fish	Parrot fish	Butterfish	Tetras	Yellow tail damsels
16	8	48	4	4	40

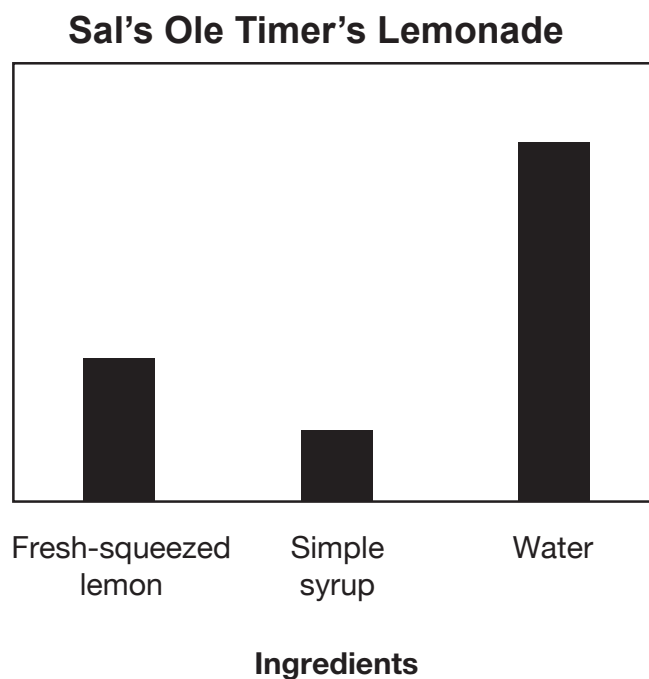
*If the sales clerk reaches into the tank with a net and scoops out 1 fish, what is the probability (expressed as a percentage), that it will be a parrot fish?*

$$\frac{48}{120} = \frac{24}{60} = \frac{12}{30} = \frac{6}{15} = \frac{2}{5} = \frac{40}{100} = 40\%$$



## Secret Recipe grade 6

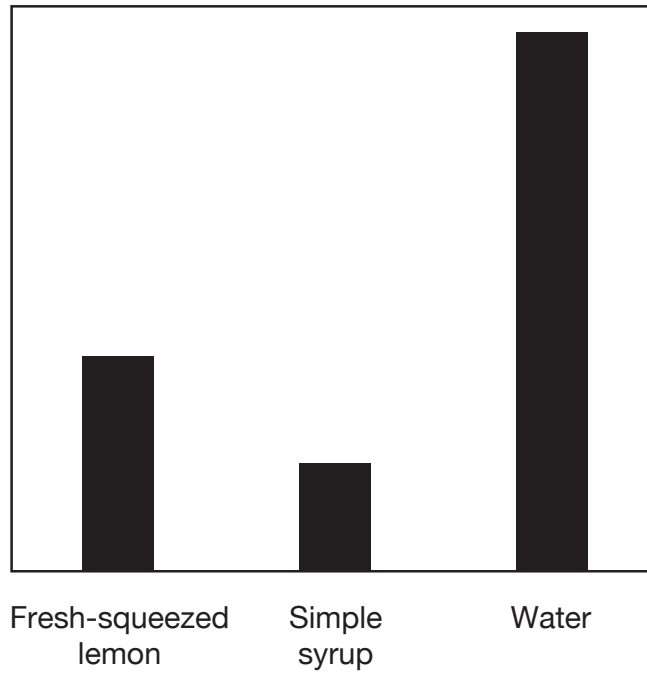
The ingredients for Sal's famous Ole Timer's Lemonade are given in the graph below.



Sal's Ole Timer's lemonade is so popular many others have tried to imitate his recipe.

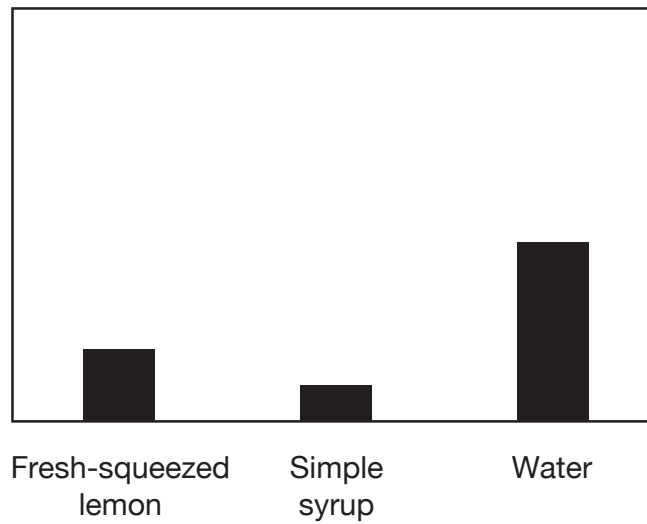
The graphs on the following pages represent attempts by competitors to copy Sal's lemonade recipe. All bar graphs are drawn to the same scale.

### Sweet and Sour Lemonade



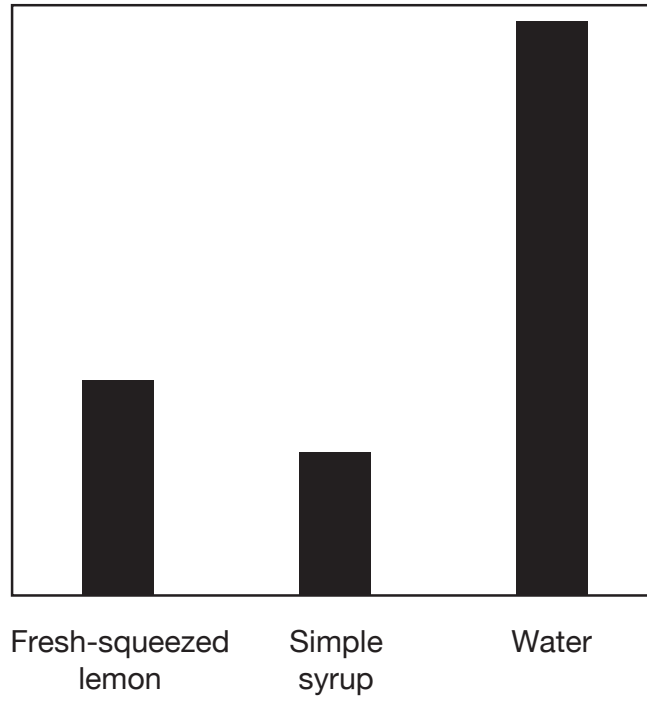
Ingredients

### Tart and Tangy Lemonade



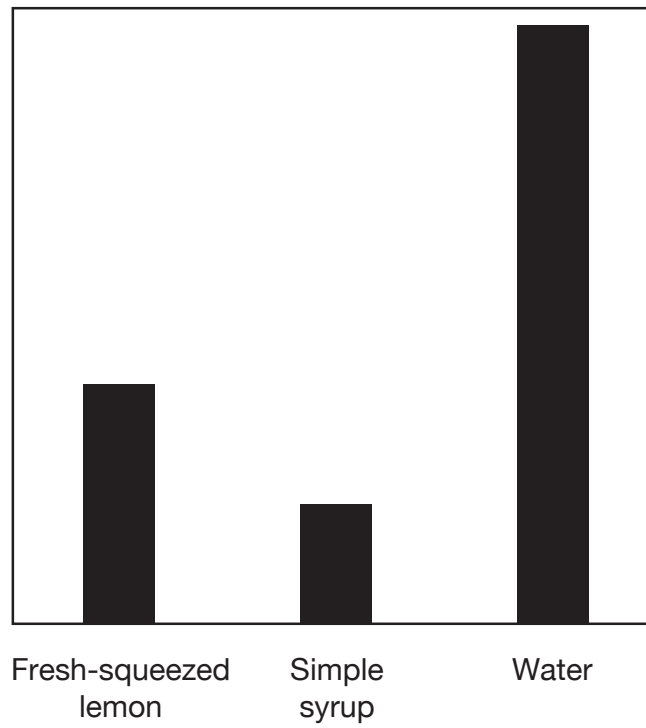
Ingredients

### Yellow Birdie Lemonade



Ingredients

### Lemon Life Lemonade



Ingredients



1. Which recipe(s) would taste identical to Sal's Ole Timer's Lemonade? Give evidence for your conclusions.
2. In Sal's Old Timer's recipe, what is the ratio of lemon juice to simple syrup to water? What does this ratio mean in terms of ounces?
3. If Sal poured  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups of lemonade for himself, how much of his glass, expressed in ounces, would be lemon juice? Simple syrup? Water? Explain how you determined this.



## Materials

Measuring tools to select from (ruler, acetate, centimeter graph paper)

Scissors

Transparent grid paper

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(6.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(A) use ratios to describe proportional situations

(B) represent ratios and percents with concrete models, fractions, and decimals

(6.8) Measurement. The student solves application problems involving estimation and measurement of length, area, time, temperature, capacity, weight, and angles. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate measurements and evaluate reasonableness of results

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What must be true in order for the different recipes to taste exactly the same?
- Describe how you would make one glass of lemonade. If you were to make two glasses, how would this affect the amount of ingredients needed?
- How would the bar graphs for this situation compare?
- How do the three ingredients in Sal's recipe relate to one another?
- How can you compare the other bar graphs to the Ole Timer's Lemonade bar graph?
- What must be true for a recipe represented by another bar graph to be the same as the Ole Timer's Lemonade recipe?

### Sample Solutions

1. Sweet and Sour, Tart and Tangy, and Lemon Lite would taste identical to Sal's Ole Timer's Lemonade. These recipes have the same ratio of cups of fresh-squeezed lemon to cups of simple syrup to cups of water as Sal's Ole Timer's recipe. This can be determined by examining the relationship between the heights of the bar graphs. Since the number of cups is not shown on any of the bar graphs, the 3 ingredients and their ratios must be compared in a more concrete way. To verify conclusions about these ratios, transparent centimeter grid paper can be used to compare the heights of the bar graphs. The following table shows how the data can be organized for comparisons.

**Estimated height of bar graph (given in cm)**

Ingredient	Sal's Ole Timer's	Sweet and Sour	Tart and Tangy	Yellow Birdie	Lemon Lite
Fresh-squeezed lemon	2	3	1	3	3.3
Simple syrup	1	1.5	0.5	2	1.7
Water	5	7.5	2.5	8	8.3

From these estimated measurements, it can be shown that all three ingredients in the Sweet and Sour recipe are  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the ingredients in Sal's Ole Timer's Lemonade. By examining the columns in the table above for Sweet and Sour and Sal's Ole Timer's recipes you can see a relationship between the two types of lemonade.

Ingredient	Sal's Ole Timer's	Process Sweet & Sour	Sweet and Sour
Fresh-squeezed lemon	2	2(1.5)	3
Simple syrup	1	1(1.5)	1.5
Water	5	5(1.5)	7.5

There is a proportional relationship between the number of cups of ingredients in Sal's Ole Timer's recipe and the number of cups of corresponding ingredients in the Sweet and Sour recipe (1.5 represents the constant rate of change). This is the reason why the two recipes will taste the same.

(D) convert measures within the same measurement system (customary and metric) based on relationships between units

(6.11) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 6 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(6.12) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates

about Grade 6 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(6.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(A) make conjectures from patterns or sets of examples and nonexamples

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

The Yellow Birdie recipe has 1.5 times the lemon juice, twice the amount of simple syrup, and 1.6 times the amount of water as Sal's recipe. The following table shows this comparison.

Ingredient	Sal's Ole Timer's	Process Yellow Birdie	Yellow Birdie
Fresh-squeezed lemon	2	2(1.5)	3
Simple syrup	1	1(2)	2
Water	5	5(1.6)	8

There is not a proportional relationship between the number of cups of ingredients in Sal's Ole Timer's recipe and the number of cups of corresponding ingredients in the Yellow Birdie recipe. The process column above shows that there is not a constant rate of change. This would cause the drinks to have a different taste.

The height of the bars representing the ingredients in Tart and Tangy are all half the height of bars representing corresponding ingredients in Sal's recipe. Finally, every bar height in the Lemon Lite graph is  $1\frac{2}{3}$ , or about 1.7 times the bar height of corresponding ingredients in Sal's. This relationship can be modeled by cutting out the bars in the Lemon Lite graph and folding them to show that each bar is  $1\frac{2}{3}$  the height of corresponding bars in Sal's graph.

- Using the simple syrup bar height for Sal's Ole Timer's as the unit, it can be shown that the fresh-squeezed lemon bar height is 2 units and the water bar height is 5 units. Therefore, the ratio of fresh-squeezed lemon to simple syrup to water is 2 : 1 : 5.

In terms of ounces, this ratio means that for every ounce of simple syrup there are 2 ounces of fresh-squeezed lemon and 5 ounces of water.

- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups are equivalent to 12 ounces (1 cup = 8 oz and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup = 4 oz; therefore, 1 cup +  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup = 8 oz + 4 oz, or 12 oz). Using the ratio 2 : 1 : 5 for 1 batch, the following

table can be developed. Two batches will have 2 times the number of ounces of each ingredient in one batch;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  batches will have 1.5 times the number of ounces of each ingredient in one batch.

	Fresh-squeezed lemon (given in ounces)	Simple syrup (given in ounces)	Water (given in ounces)	Total
1 batch	2 oz	1 oz	5 oz	8 oz = 1 cup
2 batches	4 oz	2 oz	10 oz	16 oz = 2 cups
1.5 batches	3 oz	1.5 oz	7.5 oz	12 oz = $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups

### Extension Questions

- Consider the graphs of the recipes that taste the same. How can you tell which recipe produces more juice?

*It is not possible to tell which recipe produces more juice because the scales on the graphs are missing. For example, even though Tart and Tangy appears to have the smallest number of ingredients, the graph could be describing the ratio of ingredients needed to make enough lemonade to serve 200 people. The scale on that graph could be given in 100s. Likewise, the graph for Sal's Ole Timer's Lemonade could be describing the amount of ingredients needed to make 1 cup of the juice.*

- Is it possible that the graphs for Sal's Ole Timer's Lemonade, Tart and Tangy, Lemon Lite, and Sweet and Sour could all be describing the same amount of juice? Explain your reasoning.

*Yes, because the scales on the graphs are unknown, the graphs could be describing the same amounts. The heights of the bar graphs give no information when examined individually; however, when compared in relation to the other ingredients, one can reason proportionally to determine which recipes have the same ratios, hence the same taste.*

### Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills:

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical process and tools used in problem solving.



## R<sub>x</sub> grade 7

An infection known as strep throat was spreading throughout the small town of Allen. The waiting room of Dr. King's office was filled with children from the ages of 2 months to 9 years waiting to be seen. To fight the infection, Dr. King was prescribing penicillin to her patients.

On this particular morning, Dr. King will see 4 patients with strep throat and will prescribe penicillin. Information on each patient can be found in the table below.

Patient name	Age	Weight (pounds)	Height (inches)
Collin	7 yrs	70.4	50
Hayley	9 yrs	88	55
Scottie	2 months	11	22.5
Elena	20 months	35.2	31

1. Before seeing the doctor, the patients must be weighed on the digital scale that measures a person's weight to the nearest tenth of a pound. The amount of penicillin the doctor prescribes will be based on a person's weight in kilograms. (Note: 1 kilogram  $\approx$  2.2 pounds.)
  - a. Describe an efficient strategy or construct a graphical representation that Dr. King could use to easily determine the weight of any of her patients in kilograms.
  - b. Use your strategy or tool to find the weight of each of Dr. King's patients in kilograms.
2. Because Dr. King's patients vary in age from infants to pre-teens, she had to carefully calculate the dosage of penicillin for each individual based on the patient's weight. To calculate the number of milligrams of penicillin needed per day, the doctor used the formula  $P = 40k$ , where  $P$  represents the amount of penicillin measured in milligrams and  $k$  represents the number of kilograms the patient weighs.



- a. Using words, describe the meaning of this formula to a patient using the situation of penicillin and kilograms.
  - b. Based on the patient's weight, how much penicillin should each patient receive per day?
3. It is common practice to take the medicine in smaller, equivalent doses 2 times a day. The doctor can order the penicillin in various concentrated strengths listed below.
- a. 125 milligrams of penicillin per teaspoon of medicine
  - b. 200 milligrams of penicillin per teaspoon of medicine
  - c. 250 milligrams of penicillin per teaspoon of medicine

With these different options, doctors are better able to ensure that patients are taking as close to the exact amount of medicine needed as possible. For example, when given the choice of prescribing 2.26 teaspoons of one solution or 2.52 teaspoons of another solution, a doctor might prescribe the latter, knowing that it is more reasonable for a patient to measure 2.5 teaspoons of medicine compared to 2.26 teaspoons.

For each patient, determine which solution the doctor should prescribe and write a reasonable prescription detailing how many teaspoons of which solution should be given twice a day so that the patient receives the recommended daily dosage of the drug. Provide an explanation for why the prescription is the most reasonable of the options available.

4. If a patient were prescribed 3 teaspoons of penicillin 2 times a day at the concentrated strength of 200 milligrams per teaspoon, what would the patient weigh in pounds? Explain how you determined this.
5. If another patient weighed half the amount of the patient described in question 4, what dosage should be prescribed and why?



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

Graph paper

### Connection to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(B) use addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division to solve problems involving fractions and decimals

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(G) determine the reasonableness of a solution to a problem

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

### Scaffolding Questions

- If a person weighs 100 pounds, would that person's weight be expressed using more or fewer kilograms? Explain.
- What is the relationship between pounds and kilograms?
- Is the relationship between pounds and kilograms proportional? Explain.
- How could you use this relationship to help you determine the weight of a 100-pound patient in kilograms?
- Suppose a patient weighs 1 pound. How many milliliters of penicillin would he or she need a day?
- How could you use the previous information to determine the amount of penicillin needed for a patient weighing 10 pounds? 20 pounds? 100 pounds?
- If a patient needed 1,250 milligrams of penicillin a day, what are the various ways the doctor could prescribe the dosage using the different solutions?
- How would you determine which dosage is most reasonable?

### Sample Solutions

1. a. Using the information  $1 \text{ kg} \approx 2.2 \text{ lbs}$ , a rate table can be constructed as shown below.

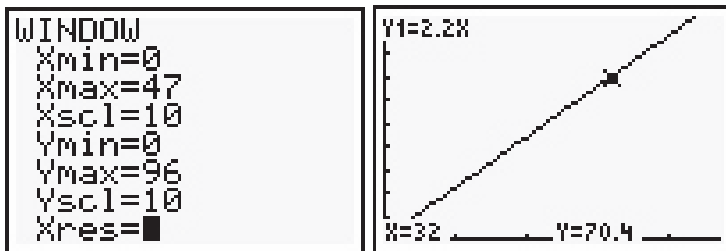
Number of kilograms	1	2	3	4	5	...	$x$
Number of pounds	2.2	4.4	6.6	8.8	11	...	$2.2x$

The table shows a pattern where the number of pounds increases by 2.2 pounds for each additional kilogram.

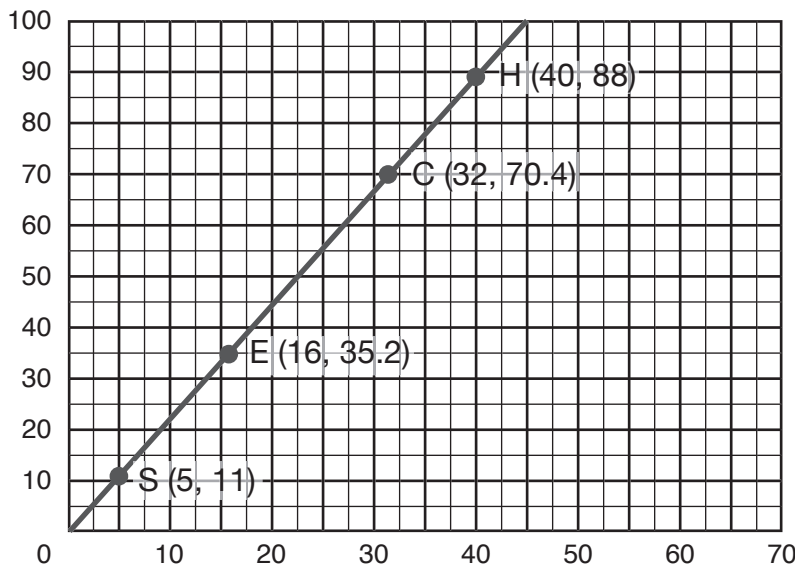
The rate is approximately

$$\frac{2.2 \text{ pounds}}{1 \text{ kilogram}}$$

This relationship can be shown in a rule  $y = 2.2x$ , where  $x$  represents the number of kilograms and  $y$  represents the number of pounds. Using the graphing calculator's trace feature or table feature, the number of kilograms for any given number of pounds can be found. For example, the point on the graph below shows the related pair 70.4 pounds and 32 kilograms.



b. The graph below shows each patient's weight in kilograms and pounds.



2. a. The amount of penicillin needed per day is 40 milligrams per kilogram of weight. In other words, for every kilogram a patient weighs, the patient will need to take 40 mg of penicillin.

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses equations to solve problems. The student is expected to:

(B) formulate a possible problem situation when given a simple equation

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model

that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(7.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

### Texas Assessment of Academic Skills:

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical process and tools used in problem solving.

- b. To calculate the amount of penicillin needed per day, multiply the weight of a patient given in kilograms by 40 milligrams using dimensional analysis as shown below.

$$\text{Collin: } \frac{40 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times 32 \text{ kg} = 1,280 \text{ mg a day}$$

$$\text{Hayley: } \frac{40 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times 40 \text{ kg} = 1,600 \text{ mg a day}$$

$$\text{Scottie: } \frac{40 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times 5 \text{ kg} = 200 \text{ mg a day}$$

$$\text{Elena: } \frac{40 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times 16 \text{ kg} = 640 \text{ mg a day}$$

3.

Patient Collin	Daily dosage (mg)	Daily dosage (teaspoons)	Recommended amount per dose	Reasonable amount per dose
125 mg/tsp solution	1280	$\frac{1280}{125} = 10.24 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{10.24}{2} = 5.12 \text{ tsp}$	5 tsp
200 mg/tsp solution	1280	$\frac{1280}{200} = 6.4 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{6.4}{2} = 3.2 \text{ tsp}$	3 tsp
250 mg/tsp solution	1280	$\frac{1280}{250} = 5.12 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{5.12}{2} = 2.56 \text{ tsp}$	2.5 tsp

Patient Collin should be prescribed to take  $2\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons twice a day of the 250 mg per teaspoon solution. This amount would ensure that he would receive almost all (5 teaspoons) of the recommended 5.12 teaspoons, which is not a reasonable amount to measure using teaspoons.

Patient Hayley	Daily dosage (mg)	Daily dosage (teaspoons)	Recommended amount per dose	Reasonable amount per dose
125 mg/tsp solution	1600	$\frac{1600}{125} = 12.8 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{12.8}{2} = 6.4 \text{ tsp}$	6.5 tsp
200 mg/tsp solution	1600	$\frac{1600}{200} = 8 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{8}{2} = 4 \text{ tsp}$	4 tsp
250 mg/tsp solution	1600	$\frac{1600}{250} = 6.4 \text{ tsp}$	$\frac{6.4}{2} = 3.2 \text{ tsp}$	3 tsp

Patient Hayley should be prescribed 4 teaspoons twice a day of the 200 milligrams of penicillin per teaspoon solution. This is the best option, as this prescription will ensure she takes exactly the amount of medicine recommended. Any other option would have Hayley taking slightly more or slightly less than the amount recommended.

Patient Scottie	Daily dosage (mg)	Daily dosage (teaspoons)	Recommended amount per dose	Reasonable amount per dose
125 mg/tsp solution	200	$\frac{200}{125} = 1.6$ tsp	$\frac{1.6}{2} = 0.8$ tsp	1 tsp
200 mg/tsp solution	200	$\frac{200}{200} = 1$ tsp	$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5$ tsp	0.5 tsp
250 mg/tsp solution	200	$\frac{200}{250} = 0.8$ tsp	$\frac{0.8}{2} = 0.4$ tsp	0.5 tsp

Patient Scottie should be prescribed 0.5 teaspoon twice a day of the 200 mg of penicillin per teaspoon solution. This would ensure the infant received exactly the amount of medicine needed based on his weight. The other options would mean the infant would consume more medicine than recommended.

Patient Elena	Daily dosage (mg)	Daily dosage (teaspoons)	Recommended amount per dose	Reasonable amount per dose
125 mg/tsp solution	640	$\frac{640}{125} = 5.12$ tsp	$\frac{5.12}{2} = 2.56$ tsp	2.5 tsp
200 mg/tsp solution	640	$\frac{640}{200} = 3.2$ tsp	$\frac{3.2}{2} = 1.6$ tsp	1.5 tsp
250 mg/tsp solution	640	$\frac{640}{250} = 2.56$ tsp	$\frac{2.56}{2} = 1.28$ tsp	1.5 tsp

Patient Elena should be prescribed 2.5 teaspoons twice a day of the 125 mg of penicillin per teaspoon solution. This option would give her the amount closest to her recommended amount of medicine.

- The patient would be taking 6 teaspoons of 200 milligrams of penicillin a day for a total of 1,200 milligrams of penicillin. Penicillin is prescribed at a rate of 40 milligrams per kilogram. Therefore, the


patient must weigh 30 kilograms since  $\frac{40 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times 30 \text{ kg} = 1,200 \text{ mg}$ . If a patient weighs 30 kilograms and each kilogram is equivalent to approximately 2.2 pounds, then the patient weighs  $30 \text{ kg} \times \frac{2.2 \text{ pounds}}{1 \text{ kg}} \approx 66 \text{ pounds}$ .

5. If the patient weighed half the amount of the patient above (33 pounds, or about 15 kilograms) then the patient should require half of the amount of penicillin (600 mg per day, or 1.5 teaspoons of the 200 mg per teaspoon solution twice a day).

### Extension Questions

- If 1 kilogram equals approximately 2.2 pounds, then 1 pound equals how many kilograms?

$$\frac{1 \text{ kg}}{2.2 \text{ lbs}} = \frac{?}{1 \text{ lb}} = \frac{1/2.2 \text{ kg}}{1 \text{ lb}} \approx 0.45 \text{ kilograms per pound}$$

$\times \frac{1}{2.2}$   
  
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The number  $\frac{1}{2.2}$  is called a *scale factor* and is used to “scale” the original ratio of 1 kg : 2.2 lbs.

- Write an equation that could be used to find  $k$ , the number of kilograms for any given number of pounds,  $n$ .

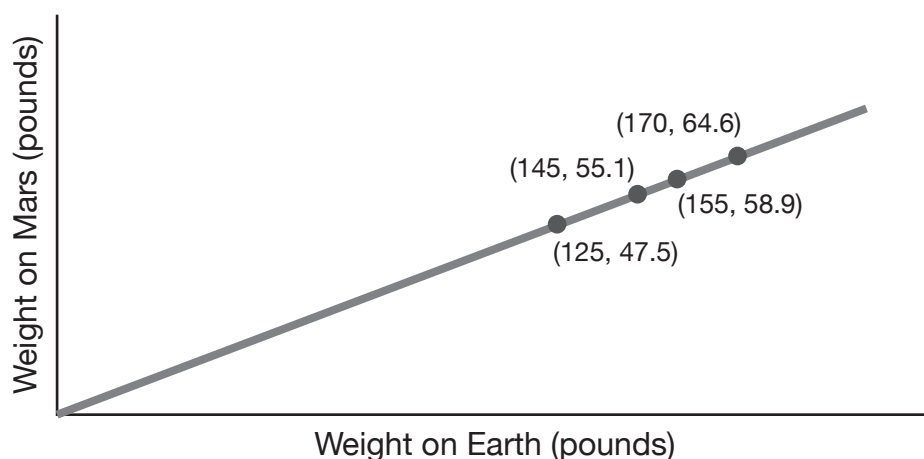
Pounds $n$	1	2	3	4	5	...	$n$
Kilograms $k$ <i>(approximation)</i>	0.45	0.9	1.35	1.8	2.25	...	$0.45n$

The pattern in the table shows that the number of kilograms increases by 0.45 for each additional pound. This can be expressed using the formula  $k = 0.45n$ .

## It's a Weighty Matter grade 7

Did you know your weight is a factor of where you are standing? Every object in the universe with mass attracts every other object with mass. The amount of attraction depends on the size of the masses and how far apart they are. For everyday-sized objects, this gravitational pull is immeasurably tiny, but the pull between a very large object, like a planet, and another object, such as yourself, can be easily measured. How do we measure this gravitational pull? Simply stand on a scale! Scales measure the force of attraction between you and the planet. This force of attraction between you and the planet is called your weight.

This graph shows the relationship between weights on Earth and how they relate to corresponding weights on Mars.



1. What does the ordered pair (155, 58.9) mean in words in this problem?



2. Organize the data from the graph above using a table similar to the one below.

Name	Weight on Earth (pounds)	Weight on Mars (pounds)	Ratio $\frac{\text{MarsWeight}}{\text{EarthWeight}}$	Ratio (Expressed as a decimal)
Astronaut A				
Astronaut B				
Astronaut C				
Astronaut D				

3. Is this a proportional relationship? Provide evidence that will validate your conclusion.
4. Identify two different unit rates that describe this relationship.
5. Complete this table.

<b>Earth weight (lbs)</b>		1	2	2.5	<b>10</b>		50		100	$n$	
<b>Mars weight (lbs)</b>	1				<b>3.8</b>	17.1		32.3			$m$

6. Write a rule using words and symbols that describes the relationship between the weight on Earth and the corresponding weight on Mars.
7. Before lift off, it was noted that Astronaut C had lost  $4\frac{1}{2}$  pounds. How will this affect his weight on Mars?
8. If a Martian were discovered and found to weigh 475 pounds on its home planet, how much would the Martian weigh on Earth? Explain how you determined the Martian's weight on Earth.



## Materials

Graphing calculator

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(7.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student adds, subtracts, multiplies, or divides to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(B) use addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division to solve problems involving fractions and decimals

(D) use division to find unit rates and ratios in proportional relationships such as speed, density, price, recipes, and student-teacher ratio

(7.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student solves problems involving proportional relationships. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving proportional relationships such

## Teacher Notes

### Scaffolding Questions

- What does the ratio *weight on Mars* : *weight on Earth* expressed as a decimal mean in this situation?
- What do the unit rates mean in this situation?
- Would you weigh more or less on Mars? Describe how your weight would change using a percentage (approximate).
- What would be the weight of an object on Mars if it weighed 1 pound on Earth?
- What would be the weight of an object on Earth if it weighed 1 pound on Mars?
- How would the unit rates be helpful when completing the tables in problems 2 and 4?
- How can some values in the tables help you think about other missing values in the table? For example, how could knowing 10 pounds on Earth is equivalent to 3.8 pounds on Mars be helpful in finding the weight on Mars related to 100 pounds on Earth? Or 50 pounds on Earth?
- If Astronaut C lost 1 Earth pound, how would that change his weight on Mars?

### Sample Solutions

1. The ordered pair (155, 58.9) means an object that weighs 155 pounds on Earth would weigh 58.9 pounds on Mars.

2. Data from the graph can be represented in the following table. Also included in the table is the ratio of Mars weight to Earth weight expressed in both fractional and decimal forms.

Name	Weight on Earth (pounds)	Weight on Mars (pounds)	Ratio $\frac{\text{MarsWeight}}{\text{EarthWeight}}$	Ratio (Expressed as a decimal)
Astronaut A	125	47.5	$\frac{47.5}{125}$	$\frac{0.38}{1}$
Astronaut B	145	55.1	$\frac{55.1}{145}$	$\frac{0.38}{1}$
Astronaut C	155	58.9	$\frac{58.9}{155}$	$\frac{0.38}{1}$
Astronaut D	170	64.6	$\frac{64.6}{170}$	$\frac{0.38}{1}$

3. Yes, the relationship between the weight on Earth and the weight on Mars is proportional. The graph is a linear graph that contains the point (0, 0). The point (0, 0) means no weight on earth and no weight on Mars. However if you examine the ordered pairs in the table, there is a constant ratio

$$\frac{y}{x} = 0.38$$

The constant rate of proportionality is 0.38 pounds on Mars per pound on Earth.

as similarity, scaling, unit costs, and related measurement units

(7.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student represents a relationship in numerical, geometric, verbal, and symbolic form. The student is expected to:

(A) generate formulas involving conversions, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and scaling

(7.7) Geometry and spatial reasoning. The student uses coordinate geometry to describe location on a plane. The student is expected to:

(A) locate and name points on a coordinate plane using ordered pairs of integers

(7.13) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 7 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences, to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(7.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 7 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(7.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical

- The ratio 0.38 to 1 is a unit rate and means the weight on Mars is 0.38 pound on Mars for every 1 pound on Earth, or approximately  $\frac{2}{5}$  of a pound on Mars for every 1 pound on Earth. Another unit rate would be the reciprocal of  $\frac{0.38}{1}$ , which is  $\frac{1}{0.38}$ . This unit rate is approximately 2.6 to 1, which means every 2.6 pounds on Earth would weigh 1 pound on Mars.
- The completed table shows the relationship between Earth weight and corresponding Mars weight:

<b>Earth Weight (lbs)</b>	2.6	1	2	2.5	10	45	50	85	100	$n$	$2.6m$
<b>Mars Weight (lbs)</b>	1	0.38	0.76	0.95	3.8	17.1	19	32.3	38	$0.38n$	$m$

- The table in problem 5 shows two generalizations:

The weight of an object on Mars is 0.38 times the weight of that object on Earth, and the weight of an object on Earth is 2.6 times its weight on Mars. Therefore, to find a weight on Mars, multiply 0.38 by the number of pounds on Earth. In other words—

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Weight on Mars} &= 0.38 \times \text{weight on Earth} \\ \text{or } m &= 0.38 \times n \end{aligned}$$

where  $m$  represents weight on Mars and  $n$  represents number of pounds on Earth.

To find a weight on Earth, multiply 2.6 times the weight of that object on Mars.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Weight on Earth} &= 2.6 \times \text{weight on Mars} \\ \text{or } n &= 2.6 \times m \end{aligned}$$

where  $n$  represents weight in pounds on Earth and  $m$ , the weight in pounds on Mars.

- Since the ratio of weight in pounds on Mars to weight in pounds on Earth is 0.38 to 1, the astronaut would weigh

0.38 fewer pounds on Mars for every pound he lost on Earth as shown in the table below. Number sense can be used to reason through this situation. Since there is a proportional relationship between weight in pounds on Mars and weight in pounds on Earth, the ratios

$0.19 : \frac{1}{2}$  and  $1.52 : 4$  can be combined by adding the first entries and then finding the sum of the second entries to get  $1.71 : 4\frac{1}{2}$  as shown in the table. This means that Astronaut C would weigh 1.71 pounds less on Mars for a weight loss of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  pounds on Earth.

Weight loss on Earth (lbs)	Weight loss on Mars (lbs)
$\frac{1}{2}$	0.19
1	0.38
2	0.76
3	1.14
4	1.52
$4\frac{1}{2}$	$1.52 + 0.19 = 1.71$

8. Using the rule  $n = 2.6 \times m$  where  $m$  represents 475 pounds on Mars, find the value of  $n$ , the corresponding weight on Earth.

$$2.6 \times 475 = 1,250 \text{ pounds on Earth}$$

Therefore, a Martian weighing 475 pounds on Mars will weigh 1,250 pounds on Earth.

reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

### Texas Assessment Knowledge and Skills

Objective 6: The student will demonstrate an understanding of the mathematical process and tools used in problem solving.

## Extension Questions

- Does it seem reasonable that the ordered pair (150, 80) would belong on this graph? Explain your reasoning.

*No, it is not reasonable for the ordered pair (150, 80) to be a pair of related weights when comparing Earth to Mars. Using the ratio 0.38 pounds on Mars to 1 pound on Earth means that a weight on Mars is approximately 40% the weight on Earth. This ordered pair is relating 80 pounds on Mars to 150 pounds on Earth and 80 is more than 50% of 150.*

- Without using a calculator, estimate the missing value for the ordered pair (200, \_\_\_).

*If an object weighs 200 pounds on Earth, it should weigh about  $\frac{2}{5}$  of that weight on Mars. Using mental math,  $\frac{2}{5}$  of 100 is 40, so  $\frac{2}{5}$  of 200 is 80. An object on Earth weighing 200 pounds would weigh slightly less than 80 pounds on Mars; therefore, the ordered pair could be (200, 78).*

- Without using a calculator, estimate the missing value for the ordered pair (\_\_\_, 400).

*The ratio 0.38 pounds on Mars to 1 pound on Earth can be expressed as 0.40 : 1 or  $\frac{2}{5} : 1$  and shows that the weight on Mars is  $\frac{2}{5}$  the weight on Earth. Therefore, the 400 pounds on Mars is about  $\frac{2}{5}$  of the weight on Earth. Using mental math, if 400 is  $\frac{2}{5}$  of Earth's weight, then  $\frac{1}{5}$  would be 200. If  $\frac{1}{5}$  is 200, then  $\frac{5}{5}$  or 100% is 1,000. If an object weighed 400 pounds on Mars, then its weight would be approximately 1,000 pounds on Earth.*

- What would an ounce of chocolate weigh on Mars?

*The ratio of weight on Mars to weight on Earth is 0.38 to 1. This ratio will hold regardless of the units being measured. An ounce of chocolate on Earth would weigh 0.38 ounces on Mars.*

## Java Joe's grade 8

Customers at Java Joe's can make their coffee to their liking. Java Joe's is famous for their vanilla latte, which is made from steamed milk, coffee, and vanilla syrup. At one table the coffee mugs contained the following amounts:

Sara's Mug	Luke's Mug	Ella's Mug	Ricky's Mug
2 oz milk	3 oz milk	4 oz milk	1 oz milk
3 oz coffee	5 oz coffee	8 oz coffee	2 oz coffee
$\frac{3}{4}$ oz vanilla syrup	$1\frac{1}{2}$ oz vanilla syrup	2 oz vanilla syrup	$\frac{1}{2}$ oz vanilla syrup

1. Whose coffee tasted the most vanilla-y? Justify your answer using language, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic models.
2. Whose coffee tasted the same? Provide evidence for your answer.
3. If Ella had originally ordered a large 20-ounce coffee, describe the amount of each ingredient that was in her coffee drink. Explain how you found the amounts.
4. Select a graphical representation that shows the relationship among the ingredients in each mug. What conclusions can you draw based on your representation?



## Teacher Notes

### Materials

Graphing calculator

Grid paper

Angle rulers or protractors

### Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student understands that different forms of numbers are appropriate for different situations. The student is expected to:

(B) select and use appropriate forms of rational numbers to solve real-life problems including those involving proportional relationships

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(A) select and use appropriate operations to solve problems and justify the selections

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking.

### Scaffolding Questions

- What is the ratio of the number of ounces of vanilla syrup to the number of ounces of milk and coffee combined for each coffee drink?
- What do these ratios tell you about the vanilla-y flavor of each drink?
- How can you determine which of the drinks is the least vanilla-y? The most vanilla-y?
- How can vanilla latte drinks of different sizes have the same vanilla-y taste?

### Sample Solutions

1. Luke's coffee was the most vanilla-y. This can be shown by examining the ratio of parts of vanilla syrup to parts of milk and coffee combined in the following table.

Sara's Mug	Luke's Mug	Ella's Mug	Ricky's Mug
vanilla : milk & coffee	vanilla : milk & coffee	vanilla : milk & coffee	vanilla : milk & coffee
0.75 oz : 5 oz	1.5 oz : 8 oz	2 oz : 12 oz	0.5 oz : 3 oz
1.5 oz : 10 oz		1 oz : 6 oz	1 oz : 6 oz
		1.5 oz : 9 oz	1.5 oz : 9 oz

By scaling the ratios up or down, the combined total ounces of milk and coffee that compares to 1.5 ounces of vanilla can be found for each mug. The mug with the least amount of milk and coffee to the 1.5 ounces of vanilla is the most vanilla-y. Therefore, Luke's coffee is the most vanilla-y because he has 1.5 ounces of vanilla syrup in only 8 oz of his coffee drink, causing the flavor to be more concentrated.

2. Ella and Ricky's coffee drink tasted the same. Both mugs have the same ratio of ingredients, but in different amounts. Both mugs contain 1 ounce of milk to 2 ounces of coffee to  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce of vanilla. This can be illustrated using the following model that scales up the ounces of ingredients in Ricky's coffee drink by a factor of 4 to

show the ounces of ingredients are equivalent to the ounces of ingredients in Ella's drink.

Scale Factor	1	2	3	4
Ounces of milk	■	■ ■	■ ■ ■	■ ■ ■ ■
Ounces of coffee	■ ■	■ ■ ■ ■	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■
Ounces of vanilla syrup	■ □	■	■ ■ □	■ ■
Ratio milk to coffee to vanilla	1 : 2 : $\frac{1}{2}$	2 : 4 : 1	3 : 6 : $1\frac{1}{2}$	4 : 8 : 2

3. Currently, Ella's mug contains 14 ounces. Of those 14 ounces,  $\frac{4}{14}$  are milk,  $\frac{8}{14}$  are coffee, and  $\frac{2}{14}$  are vanilla syrup. To determine how many ounces of each ingredient she started out with initially, a ratio could be written. Then a scale factor could be determined that will scale the 14-ounce drink to a 20-ounce drink. The scale factor method is used to solve each proportion as shown below. To scale from 14 ounces to 20 ounces, a scale factor of  $\frac{20}{14}$  or  $\frac{10}{7}$  can be used. For example

$$\text{Milk: } \frac{4 \text{ oz of milk} \times \frac{10}{7}}{14 \text{ oz of latte} \times \frac{10}{7}} = \frac{\frac{40}{7} \text{ oz of milk}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}} = \frac{5\frac{5}{7} \text{ oz of milk}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}}$$

The equivalent ratio  $5\frac{5}{7}$  oz : 20 oz shows that there were  $5\frac{5}{7}$  oz of milk in the 20 oz mug of vanilla latte that Ella was served initially.

$$\text{Coffee: } \frac{8 \text{ oz of coffee} \times \frac{10}{7}}{14 \text{ oz of latte} \times \frac{10}{7}} = \frac{\frac{80}{7} \text{ oz of coffee}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}} = \frac{11\frac{3}{7} \text{ oz of coffee}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}}$$

The ratio 8 : 14 shows that there are currently 8 ounces of coffee to 14 ounces of Ella's vanilla latte drink. By multiplying both amounts by the same scale factor ( $\frac{20}{14}$  or  $\frac{10}{7}$ ), the original number of ounces of coffee in a

The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.12) Probability and statistics. The student uses statistical procedures to describe data. The student is expected to:

(C) construct circle graphs, bar graphs, and histograms, with and without technology

(8.13) Probability and statistics. The student evaluates predictions and conclusions based on statistical data. The student is expected to:

(B) recognize misuses of graphical or numerical information and evaluate predictions and conclusions based on data analysis.

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade

8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems

(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

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20-ounce drink of vanilla latte is determined to be  $11\frac{3}{7}$  ounces.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Vanilla} \\ \text{syrup:} \end{array} \quad \frac{2 \text{ oz of vanilla} \times \frac{10}{7}}{14 \text{ oz of latte} \times \frac{10}{7}} = \frac{\frac{20}{7} \text{ oz of vanilla}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}} = \frac{2\frac{6}{7} \text{ oz of vanilla}}{20 \text{ oz of latte}}$$

Using the scale factor method to solve the proportion above, there were  $2\frac{6}{7}$  oz of vanilla syrup in Ella's 20 oz vanilla latte drink originally.

To verify, add the amount of milk, coffee, and vanilla syrup to show that the sum is 20 ounces.

$$5\frac{5}{7} \text{ oz} + 11\frac{3}{7} \text{ oz} + 2\frac{6}{7} \text{ oz} = 20 \text{ oz}$$

4. Circle graphs may be created to show the relationship among the ingredients in each mug. To create the circle graph we must find the fractional part of the total for each of the ingredients.

The ratio of ounces of milk to ounces of coffee to ounces of vanilla syrup is  $2 : 3 : \frac{3}{4}$  for Sara's mug of vanilla latte. This ratio can be expressed as  $8 : 12 : 3$  when scaled up using a scale factor of 4. By comparing the number of ounces of each ingredient to total number of ounces, a part-to-whole relationship can be found.

For example, the fractions  $\frac{8}{23}$ ,  $\frac{12}{23}$ , and  $\frac{3}{23}$  can be determined, where 23 equals  $8 + 12 + 3$ . The sum of the fractions  $\frac{8}{23}$ ,  $\frac{12}{23}$ , and  $\frac{3}{23}$  equals 1 and represents the whole circle in the circle graph below. Estimation can be used to determine what fraction of the circle is represented by each ingredient. The fraction  $\frac{8}{23}$  is close to  $\frac{8}{24}$ , which is equivalent to  $\frac{1}{3}$ . The fraction  $\frac{12}{23}$  is close to  $\frac{12}{24}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\frac{3}{23}$  is close to  $\frac{3}{24}$ , or  $\frac{1}{8}$ . Since a circle has 360 degrees,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 360 degrees is 120 degrees, the

degrees in the central angle representing milk;  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 360 degrees is 180 degrees, the degrees in the central angle for coffee; and,  $\frac{1}{8}$  of 360 degrees is 45 degrees, the measure of the central angle representing vanilla syrup. Using this information, the circle graph depicting the ratio of ingredients in Sara's mug can be constructed. The other circle graphs can be constructed in a similar manner using the ratio of ingredients for milk, coffee, and vanilla syrup provided in the given problem.

Luke: 3 : 5 : 1.5

6 : 10 : 3

$6 + 10 + 3 = 19$

$\frac{6}{19}$ ,  $\frac{10}{19}$ ,  $\frac{3}{19}$

Ella: 4 : 8 : 2

$4 + 8 + 2 = 14$

$\frac{4}{14}$ ,  $\frac{8}{14}$ ,  $\frac{2}{14}$

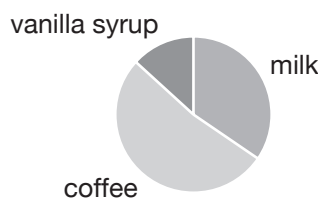
Ricky: 1 : 2 : 0.5

2 : 4 : 1

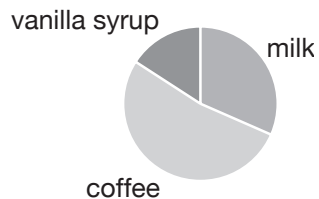
$2 + 4 + 1 = 7$

$\frac{2}{7}$ ,  $\frac{4}{7}$ ,  $\frac{1}{7}$

**Sara's mug**



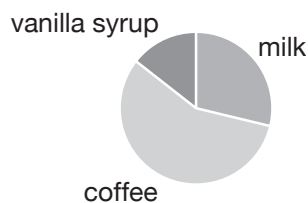
**Luke's mug**



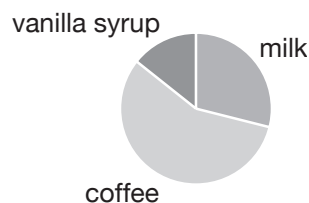
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### Ella's mug



### Ricky's mug



From the circle graphs, one can verify that Luke's coffee drink is the most vanilla-y because his drink's vanilla syrup portion of the graph is larger in area than any other drink's. Therefore, Luke's drink has the highest percentage of vanilla syrup than any other drink. It is also evident from the graphs that Ella and Ricky's drinks have the same ratio of ingredients. A comparison of the measures of the central angles for corresponding ingredients validates that their drinks taste the same.

### Extension Questions

- Assume all four customers ordered the large 20-ounce drink and finished the entire mug of coffee. Who consumed the most caffeine?

*The circle graphs show that Ella and Ricky had the highest percentage of coffee in their drinks. Approximately 58% of each of their drinks was coffee. Therefore, they consumed the most caffeine.*

- On average, coffee contains about 150 mg of caffeine in an 8-ounce of coffee. Approximately how many milligrams of caffeine did Ella consume if she drank all 20 ounces?

*From problem 3, Ella had between 11 and 12 ounces of coffee in her drink (58% of 20 = 11.6). Using the proportion comparing milligrams of caffeine to ounces of coffee, it can be shown that for a little less than 12 ounces of coffee, Ella consumed slightly less than 225 mg of caffeine.*










*The scale factor from 8 oz to 12 oz is 1.5. Multiply 150 mg by the same scale factor to get 225 mg of caffeine.*

$$\frac{150\text{mg}}{8\text{ oz}} = \frac{225\text{mg}}{12\text{ oz}}$$

The diagram shows a central equation with two curved arrows above and below it. The top arrow points from 8 oz to 12 oz and is labeled '1.5'. The bottom arrow points from 150 mg to 225 mg and is also labeled '1.5'.

- Ella thinks her coffee is too strong and prefers the taste of Sara's coffee. What amount of ingredients could Ella add to her drink to get the same taste as Sara's?

The ratio in Sara's mug between the number of ounces of milk and the number of ounces of coffee is 2 : 3. This ratio states that for every 2 ounces of milk there are 3 ounces of coffee. In order for Ella's drink to taste the same, she will need the same ratio of ounces of milk to ounces of coffee. To accomplish this, Ella must add 2 more ounces of milk and 1 more ounce of coffee to her drink. Refer to the table below:

	Sara's coffee	Ella's existing coffee	Ella's coffee adjusted
Ounces of milk			
Ounces of coffee			
Ounces of vanilla syrup			
Ratio ounces of coffee to ounces of milk to ounces of vanilla	$2 : 3 : \frac{3}{4}$	$4 : 8 : 2$	$6 : 9 : 2\frac{1}{4}$

Notice that for every 2 parts milk and 3 parts coffee there is  $\frac{3}{4}$  part vanilla. If Ella's coffee has 3 groups of 3 parts coffee and 3 groups of 2 parts milk, then she will also need 3 groups of  $\frac{3}{4}$  part vanilla, or  $\frac{9}{4} = 2\frac{1}{4}$  ounces of vanilla. Since Ella already has 2 ounces of vanilla in her mug she will only need to add  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an ounce of vanilla. This will give Ella a total of  $17\frac{1}{4}$  ounces of her coffee drink.

## Student Work Sample

This student's work shows the use of multiple ways to find solutions.

The work exemplifies many of the criteria on the solution guide, especially the following:

- Recognizes and applies proportional relationships
- Develops and carries out a plan for solving a problem that includes understand the problem, select a strategy, solve the problem, and check
- Solves problems involving proportional relationships using solution method(s) including equivalent ratios, scale factors, and equations
- Evaluates the reasonableness or significance of the solution in the context of the problem
- Demonstrates an understanding of mathematical concepts, processes, and skills
- Uses multiple representations (such as concrete models, tables, graphs, symbols, and verbal descriptions) and makes connections among them
- Communicates clear, detailed, and organized solution strategy
- Uses appropriate terminology, notation, and tools

# Java Joe's

Table #1	Sarah	Luke	Ella	Ricky
Milk	2oz	3oz	4oz	1oz
Coffee	3oz	5oz	8oz	2oz
Vanilla Syrup	$\frac{3}{4}$ oz	$1\frac{1}{2}$ oz	2oz	$\frac{1}{2}$ oz
coffee/milk to syrup	.15	.1875	$.16\frac{2}{3}$	$.16\frac{1}{3}$

1) Lukes coffee taste the most vanilla because he has the highest percent of vanilla.

2) same

2) Ella and Ricky's coffee taste the same percent is the same above.  $.16\frac{2}{3}$  &  $.16\frac{1}{3}$

3) Milk

$$\frac{14}{20} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$20 \cdot 4 = 14x$$

$$\frac{80}{14} = \frac{14x}{14}$$

$$5.7 = x$$

Coffee

$$\frac{14}{20} = \frac{8}{x}$$

$$20 \cdot 8 = 14x$$

$$\frac{160}{14} = \frac{14x}{14}$$

$$11.4 = x$$

V. syrup

$$\frac{14}{20} = \frac{2}{x}$$

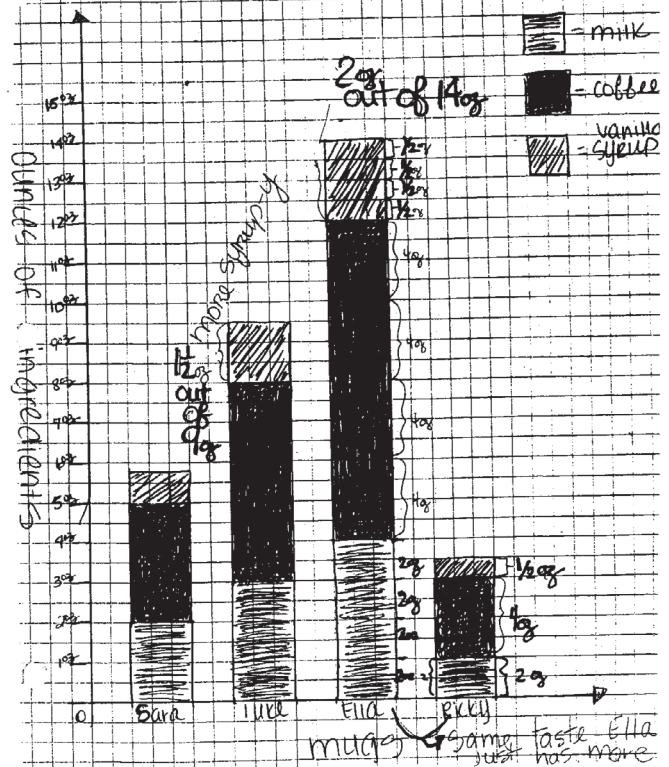
$$2 \cdot 20 = 14x$$

$$\frac{40}{14} = \frac{14x}{14}$$

$$2.9 = x$$

$$5.7 + 11.4 + 2.9 = 20 \text{ oz.}$$

4) Java Jolts







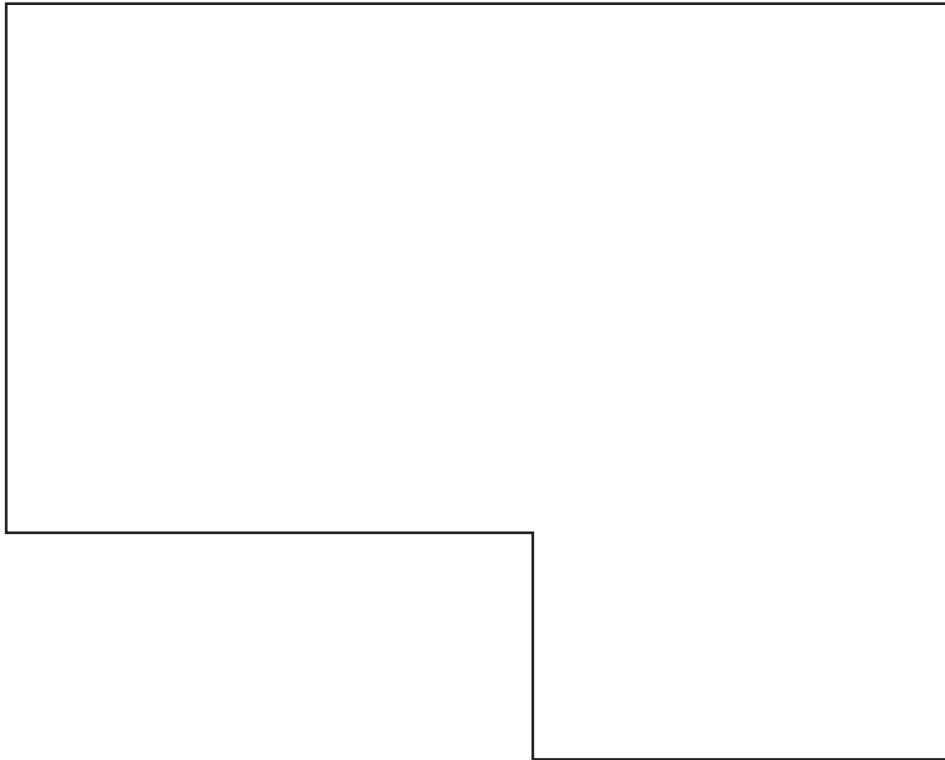
## How Green is Green? grade 8

Three primary elements—nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium—need to be added to your lawn in the form of fertilizer to keep your lawn healthy and appealing. Nitrogen is an important element for grass, as it promotes growth and helps grass get its green color.

Commercial fertilizers that are sold in stores contain all three of these elements. You will commonly see the amounts of these elements displayed on the bags of fertilizer in numbers such as 20-10-6 or 30-15-10. The first number gives the percentage of nitrogen present; the second, the percentage of phosphorus; and the third, the percentage of potassium. The three numbers represent the total weight of each element per bag. For example, a 100-pound bag of 30-20-10 has a ratio of 3 : 2 : 1, where 30% of the 100-pound bag, or 30 pounds is nitrogen, 20% or 20 pounds is phosphorus, and 10 % or 10 pounds is potassium. The remaining 40%, or 40 pounds are other ingredients often used to help distribute the product.

The Lawn and Garden Store recommends any of the following bags of fertilizer (note the percentages of nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium, as well as the price and size of the bags given on the label). The experts at Lawn and Garden Store recommend applying    pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet of yard 5 times a year.

The yard is drawn to scale in the model below, where 1 cm represents 5 ft.

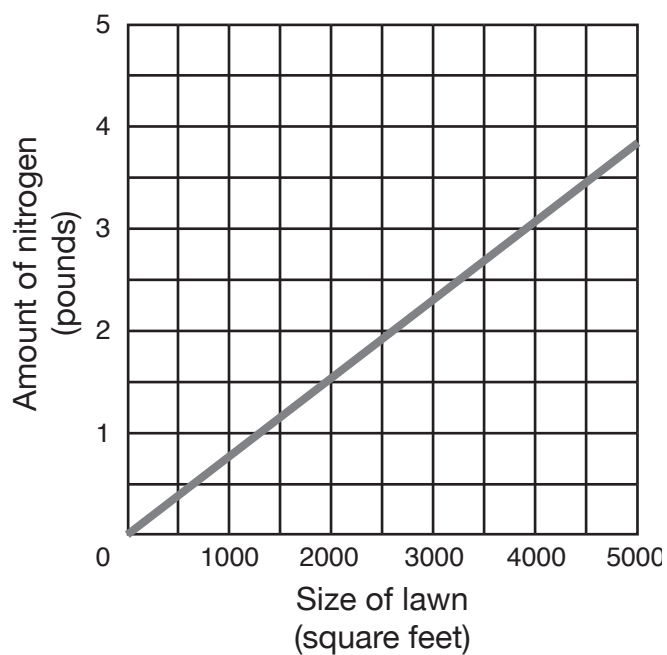


1. Which bag of fertilizer is the best choice if you plan to purchase enough to last for an entire year of applications? In your answer, be sure to communicate the mathematical ideas and logical reasoning you used to validate your choice.
2. Complete the rate table below that shows the relationship between the size of the lawn  $n$  and the amount of nitrogen application recommended.

<b>Lawn (square feet)</b>	1,000	2,000	3,000	3,500	4,200	$n$
<b>Process</b>						
<b>Amount of nitrogen applied</b>						

3. How much nitrogen (measured in pounds) is needed per square foot of lawn? Explain how you determined this.

4. The graph below illustrates the relationship between the amount of nitrogen needed based on the number of square feet of lawn.
- What is the equation of this line? How did you determine this?
  - Identify one point on the line and explain its significance.



## Materials

Calculator

Centimeter ruler

## Connections to Middle School TEKS

(8.1) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student understands that different forms of numbers are appropriate for different situations. The student is expected to:

(B) select and use appropriate forms of rational numbers to solve real-life problems including those involving proportional relationships

(8.2) Number, operation, and quantitative reasoning. The student selects and uses appropriate operations to solve problems and justify solutions. The student is expected to:

(A) select and use appropriate operations to solve problems and justify the selections

(B) add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers in problem situations

## Teacher Notes

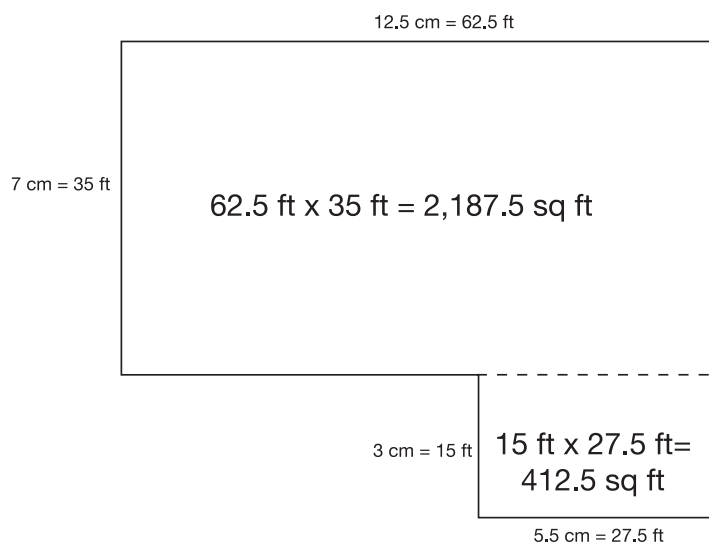
### Scaffolding Questions

- What is the length of the yard in centimeters? In feet?
- What is the area of the yard as square feet? How did you find this?
- About how much nitrogen needs to be applied to this yard for one application?
- About how much nitrogen will be applied to this yard over the course of a year?
- What part of the StartUp Rite bag contains nitrogen? What about the Greeny Gro and Grow Best bags?
- How many pounds of nitrogen are in the StartUp Rite bag? In the Greeny Gro bag? In the Grow Best bag? How do you know?
- How many bags of StartUp Rite will it be necessary to purchase if you buy enough fertilizer to last the entire year? Of Greeny Gro? Grow Best? Explain.
- Which bag is the most cost effective? Explain.
- How do you determine how much fertilizer will be left over?

### Sample Solutions

Note: There are many possible solutions based upon a student's reasoning. For example, a student may base his or her choice on price, while another student may consider the factor of transporting a large number of bags and their weight.

1. To find the amount of nitrogen needed for one application, the area of the yard can be found. Each dimension on the diagram is measured and converted to feet by multiplying by 5 feet per centimeter. For example,  
$$12.5 \text{ cm} \times \frac{5 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ cm}} = 62.5 \text{ ft} .$$



The total area of the yard is 2,600 square feet (2187.5 + 412.5).

To find the amount of nitrogen needed for 2,600 square feet, the following proportion can be written.

$$\frac{\frac{3}{4} \text{ lb of nitrogen}}{1,000 \text{ square feet}} = \frac{x}{2,600 \text{ square feet}}$$

This proportion can be solved using the scale factor method. A scale factor of 2.6 is found by scaling up 1,000 to 2,600. Then multiply  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a pound of nitrogen by 2.6 to get 1.95 pounds of nitrogen.

$$\frac{\frac{3}{4} \text{ lb of nitrogen} \times 2.6}{1,000 \text{ square feet} \times 2.6} = \frac{1.95 \text{ lbs of nitrogen}}{2,600 \text{ square feet}}$$

Therefore, the yard will need about 2 pounds of nitrogen applied per application. Since it is recommended to apply fertilizer 5 times a year, the yard will need a total of nearly 10 pounds ( $1.95 \times 5 = 9.75 \text{ lbs}$ ) of nitrogen.

The StartUp Rite bag contains 15%, or 6 pounds of nitrogen. The Greeny Gro contains 29%, or 14.5 pounds of nitrogen; and the Grow Best contains 6%, or 0.9 pound of nitrogen per bag. There are several options available for purchasing enough nitrogen for the year. These are presented in the following table along with other deciding factors.

(D) use multiplication by a constant factor (unit rate) to represent proportional relationships; for example, the arm span of a gibbon is about 1.4 times its height,  $a = 1.4h$

(8.3) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student identifies proportional relationships in problem situations and solves problems. The student is expected to:

(B) estimate and find solutions to application problems involving percents and proportional relationships such as similarity and rates

(8.4) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student makes connections among various representations of a numerical relationship. The student is expected to generate a different representation given one representation of data such as a table, graph, equation, or verbal description.

(8.5) Patterns, relationships, and algebraic thinking. The student uses graphs, tables, and algebraic representations to make predictions and solve problems. The student is expected to:

(A) estimate, find, and justify solutions to application problems using appropriate tables, graphs, and algebraic equations

(8.8) Measurement. The student uses procedures to determine measures of solids. The student is expected to:

(C) estimate answers and use formulas to solve application problems involving surface area and volume

(8.14) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student applies Grade 8 mathematics to solve problems connected to everyday experiences, investigations in other disciplines, and activities in and outside of school. The student is expected to:

(A) identify and apply mathematics to everyday experiences,

Fertilizer	Cost per bag	Amount of nitrogen per bag	Number of bags needed	Amount of unused nitrogen	Total cost	Total weight of purchase
StartUp Rite	\$28.79	6 lbs	2	≈ 2 lbs	\$57.58	80 lbs
Greeny Gro	\$59.99	14.5 lbs	1	≈ 4½ lbs	\$59.99	50 lbs
Grow Best	\$4.99	0.9 lbs	11	0.15 lbs	\$54.89	165 lbs

Given that all of these brands came recommended, 2 bags of StartUp Rite seems to be a good choice. The price is relatively near the cheapest option of Grow Best, and it would be much easier to carry and store two 40-pound bags compared to 11 bags totaling 165 pounds.

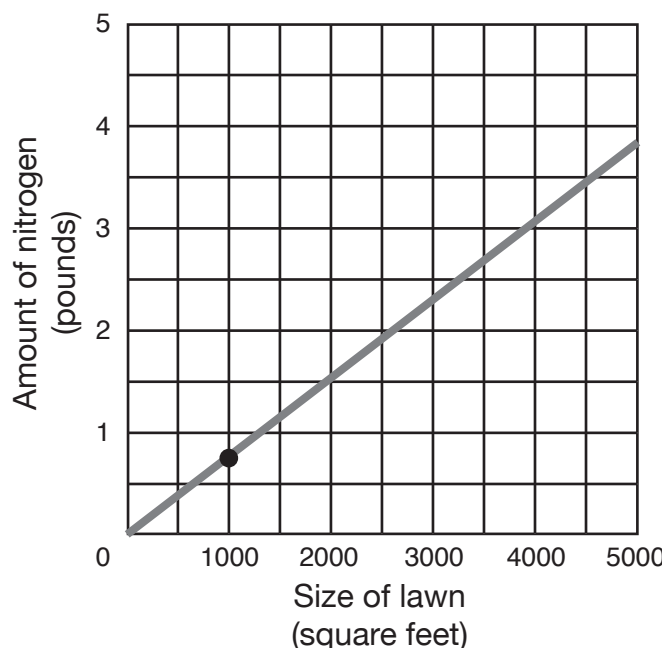
- The following completed table shows the relationship between the size of the lawn and the amount of nitrogen applied.

Lawn (sq ft)	1,000	2,000	3,000	3,500	4,200	$n$
Process	$0.75 \times \frac{1,000}{1,000}$	$0.75 \times \frac{2,000}{1,000}$	$0.75 \times \frac{3,000}{1,000}$	$0.75 \times \frac{3,500}{1,000}$	$0.75 \times \frac{4,200}{1,000}$	$0.75 \times \frac{n}{1,000}$
Amount of nitrogen applied (lbs)	0.75	1.5	2.25	2.625	3.15	$\frac{0.75n}{1,000}$

- The expression  $\frac{0.75n}{1,000}$  can be used to find the amount of nitrogen to apply, where  $n$  represents the number of square feet. The amount of nitrogen necessary for 1 square foot can be calculated as follows.

$$\frac{0.75 \text{ lb nitrogen}}{1,000 \text{ square feet}} \times 1 \text{ square foot} = 0.00075 \text{ lb nitrogen}$$

4. Using the expression we found in problem 3, the equation of the line shown in the graph below is  $y = 0.00075x$ .



A possible point that could be identified is (1,000, 0.75). This point shows that 1,000 square feet of lawn needs 0.75 pounds of nitrogen.

### Extension Questions

- If you could purchase a combination of brands to meet your yearly fertilizer needs, what combination would be the most affordable?

*If you purchased 1 bag of StartUp Rite and 4 bags of Grow Best you would have just enough nitrogen needed for a year's application.*

$$\text{Weight: } 6 \text{ lbs} + 4(0.9 \text{ lbs}) = 9.6 \text{ lbs}$$

$$\text{Cost: } \$28.79 + 4(\$4.99) = \$48.75$$

*You would save almost \$9 with this combination purchase vs. purchasing two bags of the StartUp Rite and about \$11 vs. purchasing 1 bag of Greeny Gro. Purchasing a combination of brands vs. only one brand can save you money!*

to activities in and outside of school, with other disciplines, and with other mathematical topics

(B) use a problem-solving model that incorporates understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution for reasonableness

(C) select or develop an appropriate problem-solving strategy from a variety of different types, including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, acting it out, making a table, working a simpler problem, or working backwards to solve a problem

(D) select tools such as real objects, manipulatives, paper/pencil, and technology or techniques such as mental math, estimation, and number sense to solve problems



(8.15) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student communicates about Grade 8 mathematics through informal and mathematical language, representations, and models. The student is expected to:

(A) communicate mathematical ideas using language, efficient tools, appropriate units, and graphical, numerical, physical, or algebraic mathematical models

(8.16) Underlying processes and mathematical tools. The student uses logical reasoning to make conjectures and verify conclusions. The student is expected to:

(B) validate his/her conclusions using mathematical properties and relationships

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- How would the equation and graph differ if each described the amount of nitrogen needed per year in relation to the size of the yard?

*Since the recommended application of fertilizer is 5 times a year, the equation would become  $y = 5(0.00075x)$  or  $y = 0.00375x$ , because the amount needed per square foot per year would be 5 times the amount recommended in a single application. The graph would be steeper given that the unit rate (amount per square foot per year) is 5 times greater compared to that of a single application.*

- Suppose the scale of the model of the yard had been 1 cm = 10 ft. How many pounds of nitrogen would be needed for a year's application?

*If the scale were to change from 1 cm = 5 ft to 1 cm = 10 ft, then all of the linear lengths of the lawn would double. Increasing the length and width by a scale factor of 2 causes the area to grow by the square of the scale factor; hence, the area of the lawn is now 4 times greater (22) than the area of the original lawn. If the area were 4 times larger, it would need 4 times as much nitrogen during the year. Instead of the previously estimated 10 pounds of nitrogen per year, the new yard would need approximately 40 pounds of nitrogen per year.*

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