## Year 4: Week 4, Day 3 <br> Add and subtract fractions

Each day covers one maths topic. It should take you about 1 hour or just a little more.

1. If possible, watch the PowerPoint presentation with a teacher or another grown-up.

OR start by carefully reading through the Learning Reminders.

2. Tackle the questions on the Practice Sheet.

There might be a choice of either Mild (easier) or Hot (harder)!
Check the answers.

3. Finding it tricky? That's OK... have a go with a grown-up at A Bit Stuck?

4. Have I mastered the topic? A few questions to Check your understanding.
Fold the page to hide the answers!

## Learning Reminders

Add and subtract fractions with the same denominator.


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We can also show this on a fifths numberline.


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4 / 5+3 / 5=7 / 5 \text { or } 12 / 5 \text {. }
$$

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$13 / 5-4 / 5=4 / 5$

Practice Sheet Mild Adding and subtracting fractions

Use fraction lines to help you work out the answers to these additions and subtractions.

| 1 | $\mid$ | 1 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 1 |  |  | 2 |

1. $\frac{3}{4}+\frac{2}{4}=$ $\square$ 3. $\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{4}=$ $\square$
2. $\frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=$ $\square$ 4. $\quad 1 \frac{1}{4}-\frac{3}{4}=$ $\square$
$\square$

3. $\frac{3}{5}+\frac{1}{5}=$
4. $\frac{4}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=$ $\square$
5. $\frac{3}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=$ $\square$ 10. $1 \frac{4}{5}-\frac{3}{5}=$ $\square$
6. $\frac{4}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=$ $\square$ 11. $\quad 1 \frac{1}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=$ $\square$
7. $1 \frac{2}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=$ $\square$ 12. $\quad 1 \frac{2}{5}-\frac{4}{5}=$ $\square$

Write your own subtractions with an answer of $\frac{4}{5}$.

## Practice Sheet Hot <br> Adding and subtracting fractions

Use fraction lines to help you work out the answers to these additions and subtractions.

| 1 | $\mid$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 |  |  |  |


|  | $\mid$ | $\mid$ | $\mid$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 |  |  |  |  |


|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
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|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=\square \\
& \frac{3}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=\square \frac{5}{6}-\frac{2}{6}=\square \\
& \frac{5}{5}+\frac{4}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=\square \\
& \frac{3}{5}+\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{4}=\square \\
& 1 \frac{1}{5}=\square \frac{1}{5}-\frac{3}{5}=\square \\
& \frac{5}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=\square \frac{1}{4}-\frac{3}{4}=\square \\
& \frac{4}{5}+\frac{4}{5}=\square \frac{2}{6}-\frac{4}{6}=\square \\
& \frac{2}{4}+1 \frac{3}{6}=\square \frac{5}{6}=\square \\
& 1 \frac{5}{6}-1 \frac{1}{2}=\square
\end{aligned}
$$

Challenge
Work with a partner to make up at least four new additions and subtractions.

## Practice Sheet Answers

Adding and subtracting fractions (mild)

1. $\frac{3}{4}+\frac{2}{4}=1 \frac{1}{4}$
2. $\frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=1 \frac{1}{2}$
3. $\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{4}=\frac{1}{2}$
4. $1 \frac{1}{4}-\frac{3}{4}=\frac{1}{2}$
5. $\frac{3}{5}+\frac{1}{5}=\frac{4}{5}$
6. $\frac{3}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=1$
7. $\frac{4}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=1 \frac{1}{5}$
8. $1 \frac{2}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=1 \frac{4}{5}$
9. $\frac{4}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=\frac{2}{5}$
10. $1 \frac{4}{5}-\frac{3}{5}=1 \frac{1}{5}$
11. $1 \frac{1}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=\frac{4}{5}$
12. $1 \frac{2}{5}-\frac{4}{5}=\frac{3}{5}$

## Challenge

E.g. $1 \frac{2}{5}-\frac{3}{5}, 1 \frac{3}{5}-\frac{4}{5}$

Adding and subtracting fractions (hot)
$\frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=1 \frac{1}{2}$

$$
\frac{3}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=1
$$

$$
\frac{5}{6}+\frac{1}{6}=1
$$

$$
\frac{4}{5}+\frac{2}{5}=1 \frac{1}{5}
$$

$$
1 \frac{1}{4}+\frac{3}{4}=2
$$

$$
\frac{5}{6}+\frac{2}{6}=1 \frac{1}{6}
$$

$$
\frac{4}{5}+\frac{4}{5}=1 \frac{3}{5}
$$

$$
\frac{2}{4}+1 \frac{3}{6}=2
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\quad \frac{5}{6}-\frac{2}{6}=\frac{3}{6}=\frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{4}{5}-\frac{2}{5}=\frac{2}{5} \\
\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{4}=\frac{2}{4}=\frac{1}{2} \\
1 \frac{1}{5}-\frac{3}{5}=\frac{3}{5} \\
1 \frac{1}{4}-\frac{3}{4}=\frac{2}{4}=\frac{1}{2} \\
1 \frac{2}{6}-\frac{4}{6}=\frac{4}{6}=\frac{2}{3} \\
1 \frac{3}{6}-\frac{5}{6}=\frac{4}{6}=\frac{2}{3} \\
1 \frac{5}{6}-1 \frac{3}{6}=\frac{2}{6}=\frac{1}{3}
\end{gathered}
$$

## A Bit Stuck? <br> Wall-to-wall fractions

## Work in pairs

Things you will need:

- A pencil
- A fraction wall


## What to do:

- Fill in the missing fractions in these sums.

| 1 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1 / 2$ |  |

$$
1 / 2+\square=1
$$

| 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 3$ |  |

$$
1 / 3+\square=1
$$



| 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $4 / 5$ |  |

$4 / 5+\square=1$

| 1 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $7 / 10$ |  |


| 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $5 / 8$ |  |

$$
7 / 10+\square=1
$$

$$
5 / 8+\square=1
$$

| 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $4 / 7$ |  |

$$
4 / 7+\square=1
$$

| 1 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 6$ |  |

$1 / 6+\square=1$

## S-t-r-e-t-c-h:

Write an addition of fractions with different denominators Inumbers on the bottom), egg. $1 / 2+\square / 4=1$.

## Learning outcomes:

- I know how many of each fraction make a whole and can use this to write missing fractions in sums with an answer of 1 .
- I am beginning to write my own fraction sums.
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| 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1/2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1/2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1 / 3$ |  |  |  | 1/3 |  |  |  |  | 1/3 |  |  |  |  |
| 1/4 |  |  | 1/4 |  |  |  | 1/4 |  |  |  | 1/4 |  |  |
| 1/ | /5 | 1/5 |  |  | 1/5 |  |  |  | 1/5 |  |  | 1/5 |  |
| 1/6 |  | 1/6 |  | 1/6 |  |  | 1/6 |  |  | 1/6 |  | 1/6 |  |
| $1 / 7$ |  | $1 / 7$ | $1 / 7$ |  | $1 / 7$ |  |  | $1 / 7$ |  |  | 1/7 | $1 / 7$ |  |
| 1/8 |  | 1/8 | 1/8 | 1/8 |  | 1/8 |  |  | 1/8 |  | 1/8 | /8 | 1/8 |
| 1/9 | 1/9 |  | 1/9 | 1/9 |  | 1/9 |  | 1/9 |  | 1/9 | 1/9 |  | 1/9 |
| 1/10 | 1/10 | 1/10 |  | 1/10 | $1 / 10$ | 1/10 |  | 1/10 |  |  | 1/10 | 1/10 | 1/10 |
| 1/11 | 1/11 | 1/11 | 1/11 | 1/11 |  | 1/11 | 1/11 |  | 1/11 |  | 1/11 | 1/11 | 1/11 |
| 1/12 | 1/12 | 1/12 | 1/12 | 1/12 | $2{ }^{1 / 12}$ | 1/12 |  | 1/12 |  | 1/12 | 1/12 | 1/12 | $1 / 12$ |

## Check your understanding

## Questions

Some pizzas are divided into sixths.
Write the fraction of a pizza that each child ate.

| Edward: | 2 slices |
| :--- | :--- |
| Bella: | 3 slices |
| Jake: | 5 slices |
| Charlie: | 1 slice |

Charlie and Bella shared a pizza, so what fraction was left? Jake and Edward shared 2 pizzas, so what fraction was left?

Add $1 / 2$ to each of these fractions: $3 / 4,1 / 6,3 / 10$
(HINT: Write $1 / 2$ as an equivalent fraction in each case...)

## Check your understanding <br> Answers

Some pizzas are divided into sixths.
Write the fraction of a pizza that each child ate.

| Edward: | 2 slices | $2 / 6$ or $1 / 3$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bella: | 3 slices | $3 / 6$ or $^{1 / 2}$ |
| Jake: | 5 slices | 5/6 |
| Charlie: | 1 slice | 1/6 |

Charlie and Bella shared a pizza, so what fraction was left? ${ }^{2} / 6$ or $1 / 3$
An answer of $8 / 12$ suggests children are incorrectly adding the numerator and denominator of the fractions.
An answer of $4 / 6$ may suggest that the slices eaten have been added but then not subtracted from the whole pizza.
Jake and Edward shared 2 pizzas, so what fraction was left? ${ }^{5 / 6}$
See above for the sort of errors that can arise, in each case use a visual model of the pizzas to help unpick the problems.

Add $1 / 2$ to each of these fractions: $3 / 4,1 / 6,3 / 10$
(HINT: Write $1 / 2$ as an equivalent fraction in each case...)
$1 / 4,2 / 3$ and $4 / 5$ respectively.

