Divided We Stand

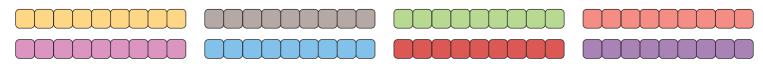


Activity

"How many eights make 72?" can be written as $72 \div 8 = 9$. This means that there are 9 sets of 8 units in 72, or using multilink cubes, 9 sets of 8 cubes.



"If you break 72 into 8 equal sets, how big is each set?" can also be written as $72 \div 8 = 9$. This means that there are 9 units (or cubes) in each of the 8 sets.



1. Write the two parts of each question below as equations. Use cubes to help if you need to.



If 72 cubes can be divided into 8 sets of 9, what is 72 cubes divided into 4 sets?

b.



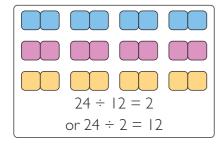
If 72 divided by 8 equals 9, what is 72 divided by 9?

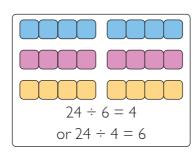
c.

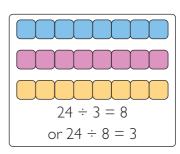


If 8 nines make 72, how many threes make 72?

2. Here are some division equations that can be written about 24:







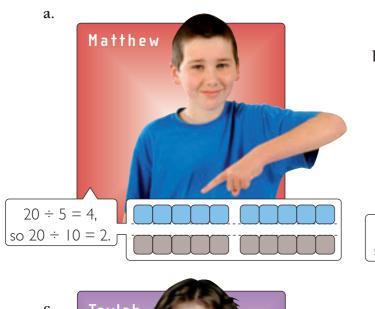
Write at least three division equations about:

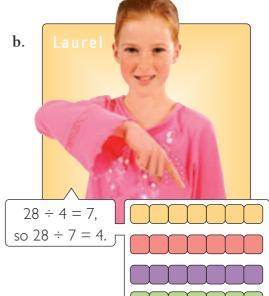
- **a.** 56
- **b**. 48
- c. 64

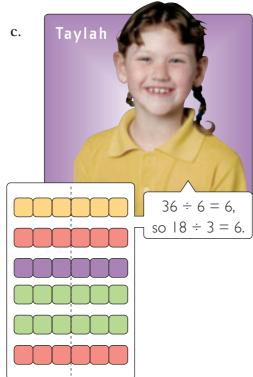
- **d**. 96
- e. 78
- f. 84.

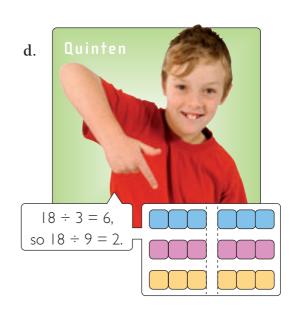


Describe in words how each of these students' ideas about division works. Give another example to show how each idea works.









- Solve each division problem below in two different ways, using the strategies above. For each problem, which of your two strategies is easier to use? Why?
 - 112 ÷ 8 =
- b. $140 \div 5 =$ c. $81 \div 3 =$ d. $88 \div 4 =$
- 5. Write three division word problems that have the same answer as this one: "Cherie shares 60 marbles among 4 people. How many marbles does each person get?"