## Painting by Numbers

## Activity

Green Grove School asked the artist Fablo Fiasco to design 12 murals for the outside walls of the classrooms. The students are doing the actual painting.

They discover that 2 students can paint a mural in 12 hours.


1. How long would 8 students take to paint a mural?

What fraction of a mural can be painted by 1 student in 1 hour?
How long would 3 students take to paint a mural?
4. There are 18 students painting the 12 murals.

A strip diagram might help
1 mural (hours)

| 2 students | 12 |  | 12 |  |
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| 4 students | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |

What is the total number of hours it should take them?
Explain your reasoning to a classmate.

