

Lesson 35 **NUMBER****Percentages as fractions and decimals**

CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT

NUM.FRC.4a

explore (model, compare and convert) the relationships between fractions, decimals and percentages.

NUM.PVT.4

investigate how decimals and percentages (and fractions) can be compared, ordered and expressed in related terms.

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WHAT THIS LESSON TEACHES

Percent means out of one hundred, so any percentage is that many hundredths. We write it as a fraction over 100, simplify, and as a decimal by dividing by 100.

→ 35% means 35 out of 100, written as 35/100.

→ 80% = $80/100 = 4/5$ (dividing top and bottom by 20).

→ 5% = 5 divided by 100 = 0.05.

MODEL THIS ON THE BOARD

CHANGE 35% TO FRACTION AND DECIMAL

- 1 Write 35% as 35 out of 100, so the fraction is 35/100.
- 2 Divide top and bottom by 5 to simplify: 7/20.
- 3 Divide 35 by 100 to get the decimal: 0.35.

ANSWER KEY

Scaffold: visual check on the page**Q1:** $20/100 = 1/5 = 0.2$ **Q2:** $50/100 = 1/2 = 0.5$ **Q3:** $40/100 = 2/5 = 0.4$ **a)** Always — By definition percent means out of 100.**b)** Always — Dividing 25 by 100 always gives 0.25.**c)** Always — $40/100$ divides by 20 to give $2/5$.**d)** Never — $75/100$ simplifies to $3/4$.

EXTENSION SHEET · STRETCH ANSWERS

S1: 97 squares (97% of 100 = 97)**S2:** 17 squares (17% of 100 = 17)**S3:** 18 squares (18% of 100 = 18)**S4:** 18 squares (18% of 100 = 18)**S5:** 88 squares (88% of 100 = 88)