

Hundredth Wheel

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4	Number		Place Value and Base 10
Learning Outcomes		Maths Concepts	
• Through appropriately playful and engaging learning experiences, children should be able to investigate how decimals and percentages (and fractions) can be compared, ordered and expressed in related terms.		 Fractions, decimals and percentages are three ways of expressing part-whole relationships. A percentage is a way of expressing a fraction of one hundred or another way of writing hundredth. Per 'cent' means out of a hundred and uses the % notation. 	

Learning Maths

This learning experience provides learners with an area model, which can be used to represent fractions, decimals and percentages. Each learner needs two different coloured hundredth wheels. A slit is cut along the radius and the wheels are placed together. Learners use the wheel to show the fraction, decimal or percentage identified by the teacher or their peers, e.g. show me 60% on the hundredth wheel. What is that as a fraction or decimal?



Understanding and Connecting	Communicating	Reasoning	Applying and Problem Solving		
The learner					
Identifies decimal and	Models, represents	Orders fractions,	Poses problems for		
fraction equivalents	and expresses	decimals and	their peers, e.g. what		
for percentages.	percentages as	percentages by their	is 37% as a decimal		
	decimals and fractions	comparative value.	and fraction?		
	and vice versa.				

¹ <u>https://www.pdst.ie/sites/default/files/AGuidetoTeachingPlaceValuePercentagesandDecimals.pdf</u> p82



Teaching Maths				
Fostering Productive Disposition	Encouraging Playfulness with Mathematics			
Assist learners to make connections between	Provide opportunities for learners to explore			
fractions, decimals and percentages using the	and experiment with the mathematical idea			
area model.	using other concrete materials, e.g. dienes			
	blocks, geoboards, metre stick, blank hundred			
Create small mixed ability groups, to enable	squares.			
learners to collaborate and interact with peers.				

Emphasising Mathematical Modeling

Allow freedom for learners to record their

findings in a way that makes sense to them.

e.g. ½ = 0.5 = 50%

Promoting Maths Talk	
Promote active listening, respect and value for	
all contributions.	
Ask learners to explain the approach they	
followed when finding $\frac{1}{2}$, 0.75, 45% etc.	
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Assessing Maths

- Can learners make connections between equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages?
- Can learners identify a percentage as a way of expressing a fraction of one hundred or another way of writing hundredth?
- Did learners record equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages in a way which could be understood by their peers?

Source

PDST Guide to Teaching Place Value, Decimals and Percentages page 81



