

# Help your child have some fun with fractions!

Understanding fractions can be a challenge for some children. To help your child learn fractions, have fun with hands-on activities like these:

- Measure up. Give your child measuring spoons and cups. Have him pour one cup of water into one glass. Then have him guess: How many half cups will it take to fill another glass the same size? How many quarter cups or third cups?
- Take a fraction walk. Have your child count how many cars you pass. Then figure how many (what fraction) of them are a certain color. Take turns choosing a color and seeing who has the largest fraction.
- Change that recipe. Ask your child to rewrite the amount of each ingredient to double the recipe or cut it in half.
- Eat your fractions. Give your child 12, 24 or 36 pieces of cereal. Let him divide them into halves, fourths, etc. Or, share a pizza and ask some questions. If the pizza is cut into 12 slices, how many slices equal one-half or one-third of the pizza?

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