

## **Decomposing Fractions Worksheet**

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Part 1: Building a Foundation
What is the primary purpose of decomposing fractions?
Hint: Think about why we break fractions down.
<ul> <li>To multiply fractions</li> <li>To break down fractions into simpler parts</li> <li>To convert fractions to decimals</li> <li>To add fractions</li> </ul>
Which of the following are methods of decomposing fractions? (Select all that apply)
Hint: Consider different ways to express fractions.
☐ Into unit fractions
☐ Into decimals
<ul> <li>☐ Into sums with different numerators and denominators</li> <li>☐ Into percentages</li> </ul>
Explain what a unit fraction is and provide an example.
Hint: Think about fractions with a numerator of 1.

List two benefits of decomposing fractions in mathematical calculations.



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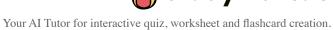
Hint: Consider how it simplifies operations.
1. Benefit 1
2. Benefit 2
Part 2: Comprehension and Interpretation
When decomposing the fraction 3/4, which of the following is a correct decomposition?
Hint: Think about how to break down 3/4 into smaller fractions.
○ 1/2 + 1/4
○ 1/3 + 1/3 + 1/3
○ 1/4 + 1/4 + 1/4
○ 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6
Which visual aids can help in understanding fraction decomposition? (Select all that apply)
Hint: Think about tools that represent fractions visually.
☐ Fraction circles
☐ Number lines
☐ Bar graphs
☐ Pie charts
Describe how decomposing fractions can aid in teaching the concept of equivalence.
Hint: Consider how breaking down fractions shows their relationships.



## Part 3: Application and Analysis

If you decompose 5/8 into unit fractions, which of the following is a correct representation?
Hint: Think about how to express 5/8 using fractions with a numerator of 1.
<ul> <li>1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8</li> <li>1/4 + 1/4</li> <li>1/8 + 1/4</li> <li>1/2 + 1/8</li> </ul>
Decompose 7/10 into two fractions with different denominators. Which of the following are correct decompositions? (Select all that apply)
Hint: Consider how to express 7/10 with different denominators.
□ 1/2 + 1/5
☐ 3/10 + 4/10
2/5 + 1/10
<u> 1/10 + 3/5</u>
Provide a real-world scenario where decomposing fractions would be useful, and explain how you would apply the concept.  Hint: Think about situations involving sharing or dividing.
Which of the following statements best describes the relationship between fraction decomposition and simplification?
Hint: Consider how breaking down fractions affects their complexity.
O Decomposition is the same as simplification.
O Decomposition can help in simplifying fractions by breaking them into smaller parts.
O Decomposition makes fractions more complex.
O Decomposition is unrelated to simplification.

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Hint: Think about how to express 9/12 in different ways.
□ 1/4 + 1/3
□ 3/12 + 6/12
□ 1/3 + 1/3 + 1/4
1/2 + 1/4
Compare and contrast the decomposition of 2/3 and 4/6. What similarities and differences do you observe?
Hint: Think about how these fractions relate to each other.
Part 4: Evaluation and Creation
Which of the following decompositions of 0/0 is the most efficient for simplifying coloulations?
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Limits the ability to work with abstract concepts		
Create a complex fraction decomposition problem for your peers and provide a step-by-step solution.		
Hint: Think about a challenging fraction to decompose.		
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