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<b>Learning Goal 2.2</b>	I can multiply and divide fractions.
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**Example** Use **pattern blocks** to model the following quotients.

how much of the shape you have  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \div 3$  ← break it into 3 pieces.

$= \frac{1}{6}$

How big is each piece?

$\frac{4}{3} \div 2$  ← split all into 2 equal groups.

Each group has  $\frac{4}{6}$  pieces  
 $= \frac{2}{3}$

**Example** Use **fraction strips** to model the following quotients.

I have a half  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \div 3$  ← Break it into 3 pieces

$= \frac{1}{6}$

$\frac{3}{4} \div 2$

$= \frac{3}{8}$

**Example** Use **the number line** to model the following quotients.

end pt.  $\rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \div 4$  ← 4 jumps

how big is each jump?

$= \frac{1}{6} = \frac{2}{12}$

$\frac{1}{5} \div 2$

$= \frac{1}{10}$

## Dividing Fractions and a Whole Number Without using a Model

leave the numerator alone  
(the old denominator) × (the whole #)

then simplify  
 if necessary

**Example** Evaluate the following quotients. Write your answers in lowest terms.

a.  $\frac{1}{5} \div 3 = \frac{1}{15}$

b.  $\frac{4}{5} \div 2 = \frac{4 \div 2}{10 \div 2} = \frac{2}{5}$

c.  $\frac{1}{6} \div 3 = \frac{1}{18}$

d.  $\frac{9}{10} \div 5 = \frac{9}{50}$

**Example** Ben used  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a jar of pasta sauce on six servings of pasta. He used the same amount of sauce on each serving. What fraction of the jar of pasta sauce did he use on each serving?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{4} \div 6 \\ = \frac{3 \div 3}{24 \div 3} \\ = \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

~~$$6 \div \frac{3}{4}$$~~

Each person gets  $\frac{1}{8}$  of a jar of pasta sauce.

**Example** Four students equally shared  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a cake. What fraction of the cake did each student eat?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \div 4 \\ = \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

~~$$4 \div \frac{1}{2}$$~~

Each student will get  $\frac{1}{8}$  of the cake.