



Family Letter for Unit 3

Dear Family,

Over the next few weeks, our math class will be learning about plane shapes and solid shapes. You can expect to see papers that practice identifying plane and solid shapes, including faces, edges, and vertices. Later in this unit, children will learn to identify and compare fractions. We will also be learning about parts and wholes of a set and how to compare fractions.

As we learn about parts and wholes of a set, you may wish to use the following as a guide.

Vocabulary

line of symmetry A line that separates a shape into two matching parts.

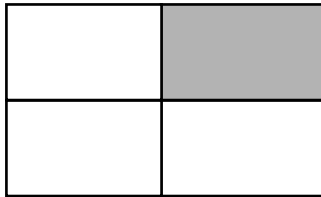
solid shapes Shapes that are not flat.

edge An edge is where two faces meet.

congruent Shapes that are the same size and shape.

Use Fractions to Name Part of a Whole or a Set

What part is green?

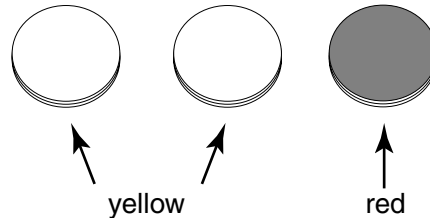


There are 4 fourths.

1 fourth is green.

$\frac{1}{4}$ is green.

What part of the set is yellow?



2 yellow counters

3 counters in all

$\frac{2}{3}$ of the counters are yellow.

You can help your children learn and practice by identifying the shapes of common household objects.

Sincerely,

Your Child's Teacher



Technology

Check out *Education Place* at eduplace.com/maf for the Math Lingo game, e•Glossary, and more games and activities to do together.