

Connecting **Fractions** with **Decimals** (and vice versa)

$$\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$$

738.42

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7 hundreds

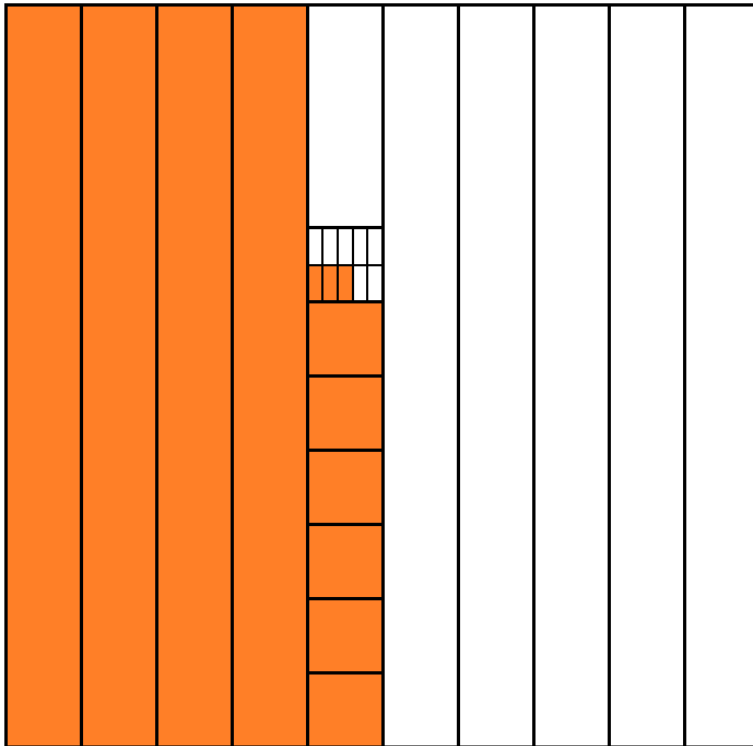
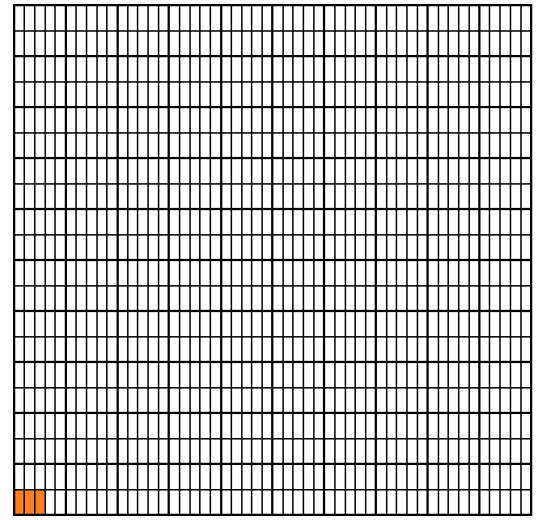
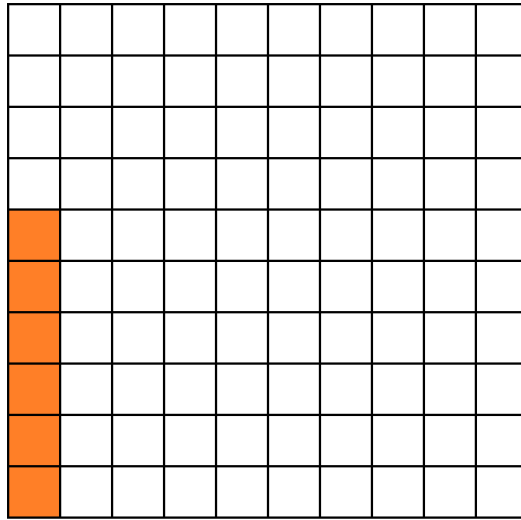
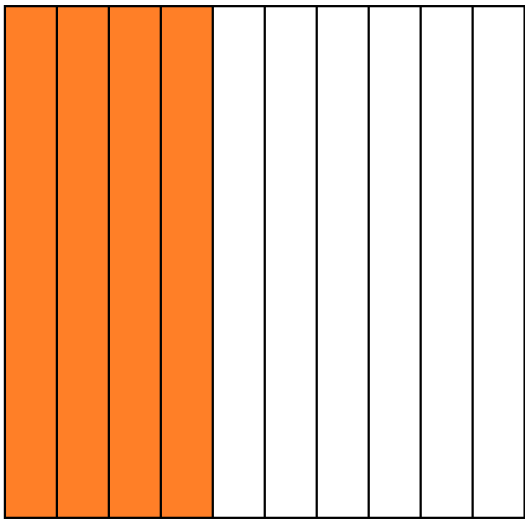
3 tens

8 ones

4 tenths

2 hundredths

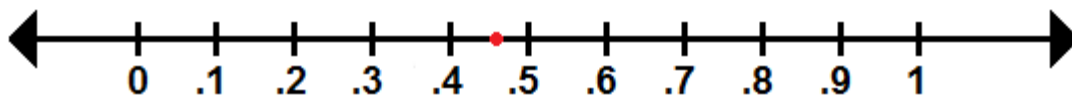
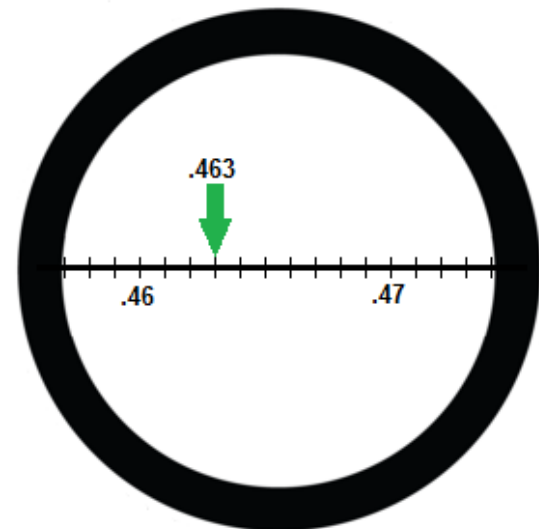
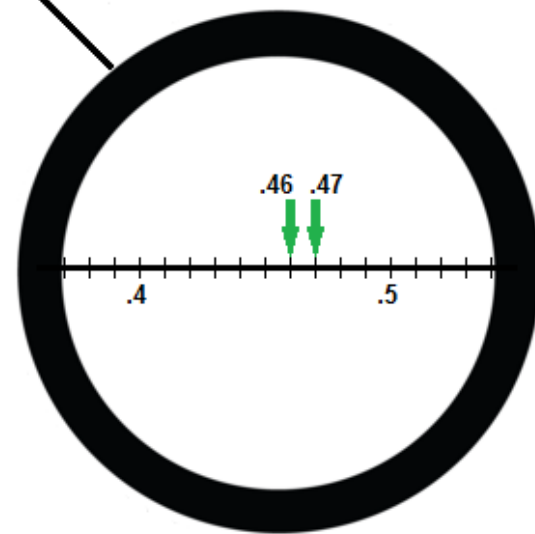
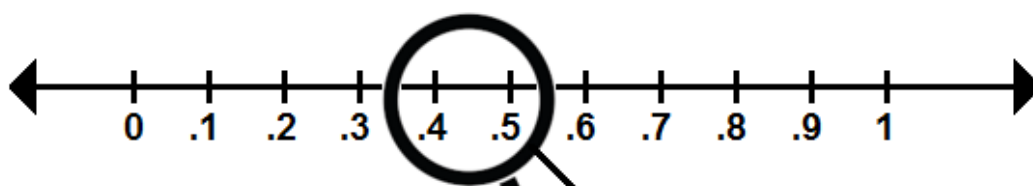
$$738.42 = 7(100) + 3(10) + 8(1) + 4\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{100}\right)$$



$$\frac{463}{1000} = 0.463$$

Location on a Number Line

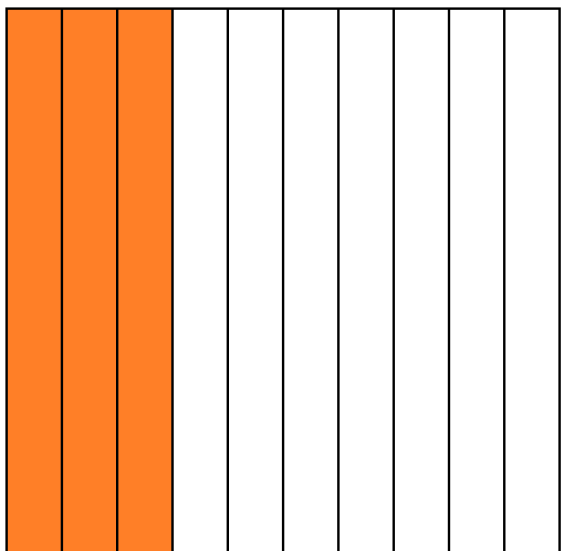
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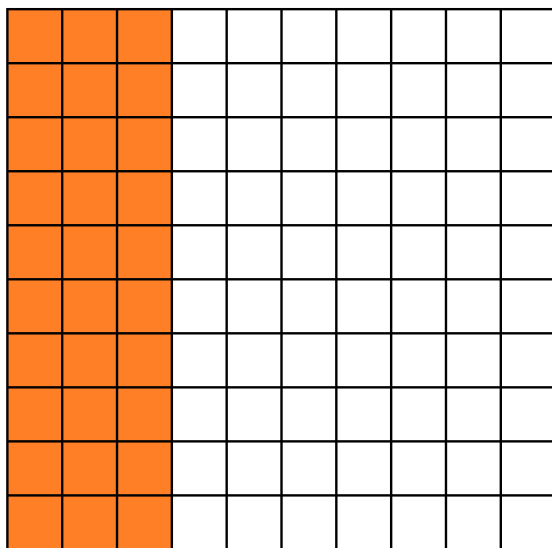
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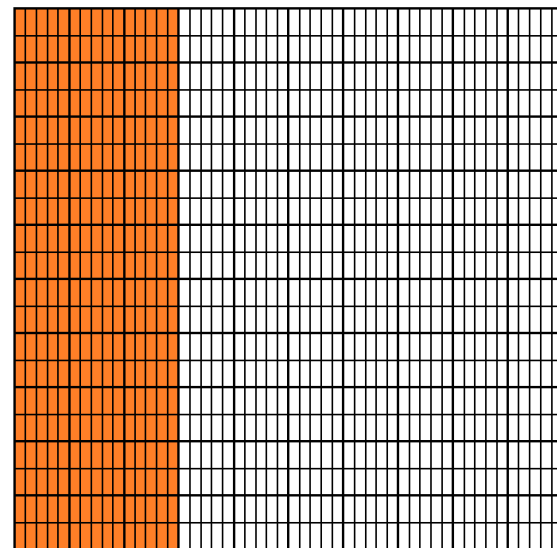




$$0.3 = \frac{3}{10}$$

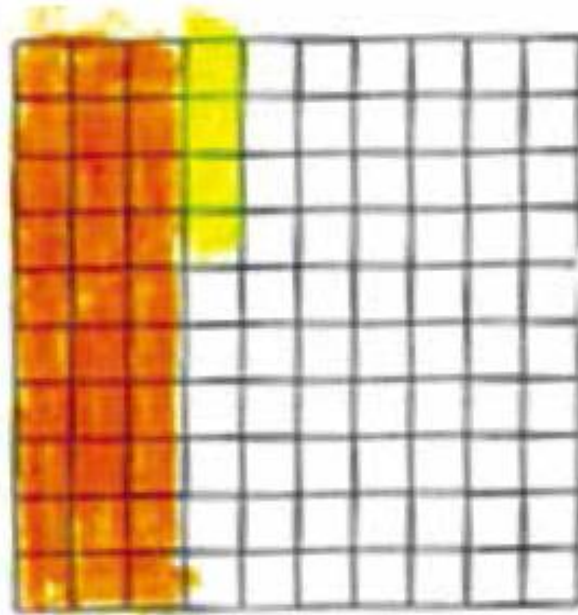


$$0.30 = \frac{30}{100}$$



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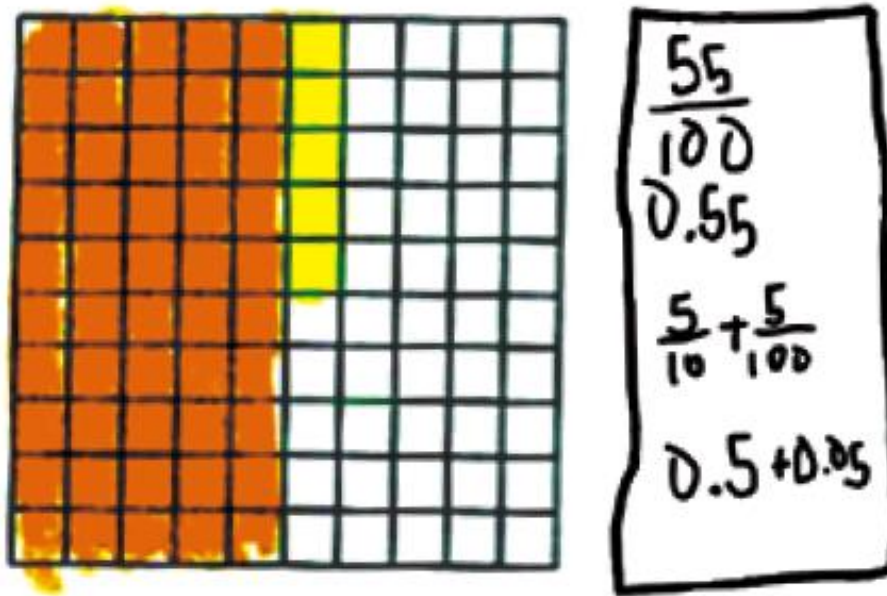
(a) Students first used fraction language and symbols to name pictorial representations for decimals.



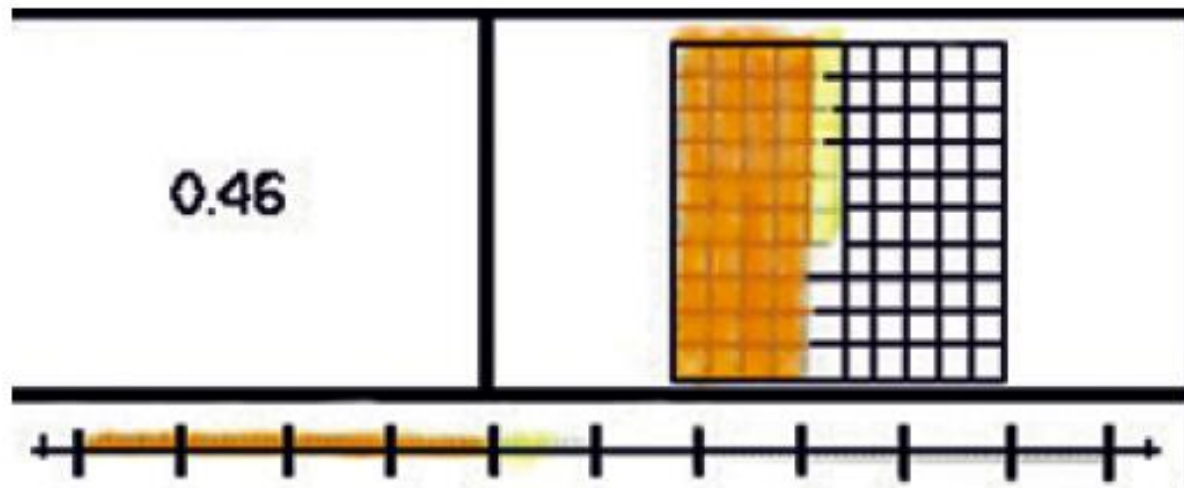
34 - hundredths

$$\underline{0.34} \quad \frac{3}{10} + \frac{4}{100}$$

(b) Then they translated to decimal language and symbols (e.g., naming an image of 0.55 with the words *five-tenths* and *five-hundredths*, with the written symbols $50/100$ or $5/10 + 5/100$).



(c) From a decimal drawn on a 10×10 grid, students translated to a number line.



Source: Cramer, Monson, Ahrendt, Colum, Wiley, & Wyberg (2015)