RATIO

A RATIO

Definition Ratio

A ratio is a comparison of two quantities. The ratio 2 to 3 can be expressed as the fraction $\frac{2}{3}$.

Ex:



The fraction of red apples to all the apples is $\frac{3}{4}$.

B EQUIVALENT RATIOS

Method Simplifying Ratios

The fraction of red apples to all apples is $\frac{2}{4}$, which simplifies to $\frac{1}{2}$ (half are red).



C PART IN WHOLE-PART RELATIONSHIPS

Method Finding Part in Whole-Part Relationships

To find the number of apples corresponding to $\frac{1}{2}$ of 4 apples:



• Draw the fraction:



• Count the apples in the colored part: there are 2 apples.