## Model Drawing: Dividing a Fraction by a Fraction

1) 
$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{4} =$$
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Start with two 2 by 4 rectangular wholes.

Shade in  $\frac{1}{2}$  horizontally in the first rectangle. Then, shade  $\frac{1}{4}$  vertically in the second rectangle. How many times does the divisor go into the dividend?

How many times does the second fraction go into the first fraction?

2) 
$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{3}{8} =$$
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Shade in  $\frac{1}{2}$  in one and  $\frac{3}{8}$  in the other.

How many times does the second fraction go into the first fraction?

3) 
$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{5} =$$
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4) 
$$\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{1}{8} =$$
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5) 
$$\frac{5}{8} \div \frac{1}{5} =$$
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6) 
$$\frac{3}{5} \div \frac{2}{3} =$$
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7) 
$$\frac{2}{4} \div \frac{1}{3} =$$
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8) 
$$\frac{3}{7} \div \frac{2}{5} =$$
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9) 
$$\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{3}{4} =$$
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10) 
$$\frac{4}{5} \div \frac{1}{6} =$$
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11) 
$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{7}{8} =$$
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13) 
$$\frac{1}{3} \div \frac{2}{9} =$$



## **Review Steps for Fraction Modeling:**

- 1) Start with 2 identical rectangles, one for the dividend with rows equal to the denominator of the divisor and one for the divisor with columns equal to the denominator of the dividend.
- 2) Shade the first rectangle horizontally with the dividend. Shade the second rectangle vertically with the divisor.
- 3) Find out how many times the second fraction (divisor) goes into the first fraction (dividend).
- 3) The number of squares shaded in the first rectangle is the numerator and the number of squares shaded in the second rectangle is the denominator.
- 4) Simplify your answer.