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What are Decimals? (15 minutes)

Let's learn more about decimals! Decimals are used to represent part of a whole. We can use money examples to help us understand decimals better.

Decimal	Equivalent Form
0.5	50 cents
0.25	25 cents
0.10	10 cents

Place Value Knowledge (15 minutes)

Place value is critical in understanding decimals. Each digit in a decimal number has a place value (ones, tenths, hundredths, etc.).

Let's practice sorting decimal numbers into their correct place value categories.

Decimal	Place Value
0.5	Tenths
0.25	Hundredths
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Equivalency and Partitioning (20 minutes)

Decimals can be represented in different equivalent forms. For example, 0.5 can be equivalent to 50 cents or half a dollar.

Let's practice representing decimals in different ways using money and measurement examples.

1. 0.5 = _____
2. 0.5 = _____
3. 0.5 = _____

Money and Measurement Applications (20 minutes)

Using money and measurement examples makes the concept of decimals more tangible and relevant to students' lives.

Let's practice solving real-life problems using decimals.

1. If a toy costs $0.50, how much will you pay if you give the cashier $1.00?
2. If a recipe calls for 0.25 liters of water, how much water do you need in milliliters?

Decimal Representation (15 minutes)

Represent the decimal 0.25 in two different ways using money and measurement examples.

1. 0.25 = _____
2. 0.25 = _____

Real-World Applications (20 minutes)

Decimals are used in various real-world applications, such as science, engineering, and finance. Let's explore some examples.

In science, decimals are used to measure the density of materials. For example, the density of water is approximately 0.998 g/cm3.

Material	Density (g/cm3)
Water	0.998
Air	0.0012
Steel	7.9

Engineering Applications (20 minutes)

In engineering, decimals are used to design and build structures, such as bridges and buildings. Let's explore some examples.

The Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco has a length of approximately 1.6 miles (2.7 kilometers). The height of the bridge is approximately 746.5 feet (227.4 meters) above the water.

Example

If the bridge is 1.6 miles long, and each mile is equal to 5280 feet, how many feet long is the bridge?

Financial Applications (20 minutes)

In finance, decimals are used to calculate interest rates and investment returns. Let's explore some examples.

If you deposit $1,000 into a savings account with an annual interest rate of 2.5%, how much interest will you earn in one year?

Principal	Interest Rate	Interest Earned
$1,000	2.5%	$25

Conclusion (10 minutes)

In conclusion, decimals are used in various real-world applications, including science, engineering, and finance. Understanding decimals is essential for making informed decisions in these fields.

Let's review what we have learned about decimals and their applications.

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Assessment (20 minutes)

Now it's time to assess your understanding of decimals and their applications. Please complete the following exercises.

Exercise 1: Convert the decimal 0.5 to a fraction.

Exercise 2: If a material has a density of 0.8 g/cm3, what is its density in kg/m3?

Exercise 3: If you deposit $500 into a savings account with an annual interest rate of 3.2%, how much interest will you earn in one year?

Extension (20 minutes)

For students who want to learn more about decimals and their applications, here are some extension activities.

Activity 1: Research and present on a real-world application of decimals in a field of your choice.

Activity 2: Create a project that demonstrates the use of decimals in a real-world scenario, such as building a bridge or designing a financial plan.

Glossary (10 minutes)

Here is a list of key terms related to decimals and their applications.

Decimal: a number that represents part of a whole as a fraction of 1.

Density: the mass of a material per unit volume.

Interest rate: the percentage of a loan or deposit that is paid as interest over a period of time.

References (10 minutes)

Here is a list of resources used in this lesson.

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. (2019). Principles to Actions: Ensuring Mathematical Success for All.

National Science Foundation. (2020). Science and Engineering Indicators.

Appendix (10 minutes)

Here are some additional resources and activities to support student learning.

Appendix A: Decimal Conversion Chart

Decimal	Fraction
0.5	1/2
0.25	1/4
0.1	1/10

Index (10 minutes)

Here is an index of key terms and concepts covered in this lesson.

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