What are Fractional Numbers?

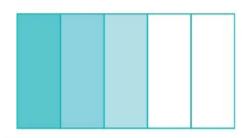
When a whole thing is divided into equal parts, then each part is called a fraction.

- A fraction is written with two numerals one over the other separated by a line.
- The number written above the line is called the **Numerator**, and the number written below the line is called the **Denominator**.

In simple words we can say that, Fraction is a part of a whole.

Let us understand the fractions with an example:

Three - Fifth: Look at the given figure:



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The above rectangle is divided into 5 equal parts and out of 5 parts three parts are shaded. So, the fraction of shaded parts is read as three – fifth and is represented as $\frac{3}{5}$ in fractional form. Similarly, we can write fractions as $\frac{2}{4}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{4}{5}$ and so on.