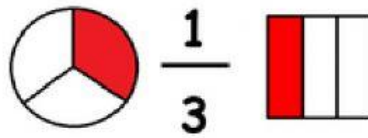


# WHAT ARE FRACTIONS?

equal parts of a whole

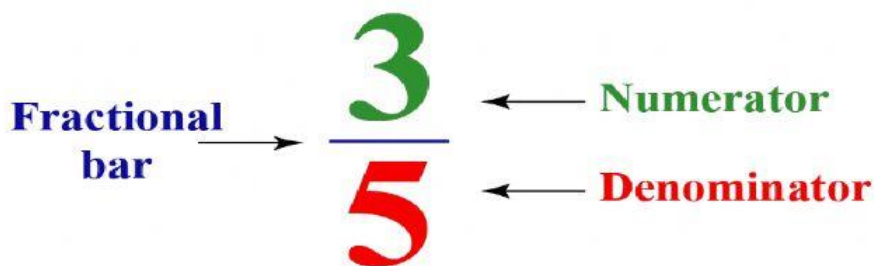


Fractions are defined as a number that names part of a whole. Fractions often express quantities of less than one.

Fractions are also defined as the quotient of two whole numbers.

Example :  $a \div b$  or  $\frac{a}{b}$

"a" is called the **numerator**, and "b" is called the **denominator**.



## Numerator

The numerator is the number above the line in a fraction. It shows how many parts are to be taken.

## Denominator

This is the number below the line in a fraction. It shows how many parts the whole is divided into or how many parts are in all.

