## Designing assessment tasks: Choosing the fraction model

## http://topdrawer.aamt.edu.au/Fractions/Assessment/Designing-assessment-tasks/Choosing-the-fraction-model

Each task suggests a particular way of thinking about and representing fractions.
A comprehensive understanding of fractions includes the ability to work with a variety of models for fractions.

Fraction Model
Part whole - area

Linear (length) model

Fraction of a group

## Task example 1

Draw a shape and show $\frac{3}{4}$ of the shape.

Mark a starting point and show where $\frac{2}{3}$ of the way around the circle would be.

Show how to find $\frac{1}{5}$ of this group of 20 counters.

Mark $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$ on this number line.
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## Task example 2

Fold the paper circle into quarters

Fold this length of string to show how much $\frac{1}{3}$ of the string is.

Ling brought 12 stickers to school. If this was $\frac{1}{5}$ of her sticker collection, how many in her whole collection?

What fraction might be located at A? What fraction might be located at B ?

$2 \div 3=\frac{2}{3}$ Is this true? Explain your reasons.

Division (sharing) $\begin{aligned} & \text { Draw something to show } \\ & \text { how you would share two } \\ & \text { pancakes equally among }\end{aligned}$
Division (sharing) $\begin{aligned} & \text { Draw something to show } \\ & \text { how you would share two } \\ & \text { pancakes equally among }\end{aligned}$ pancakes equally among three people.

How much does each person get?

