Partition Shapes into Halves and Fourths Parent Unit Summary

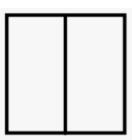
Overarching Student Learning Goals In this unit, your child will work to build an understanding of the following:		Resources/Tasks to support your child at home.
Partitioning shapes in to halves and fourths in different ways. Children partition circles, rectangles and squares into 2 or 4 parts, with the understanding they need to be equal parts.		Have your child cut cookies of brownies into 2 or 4 equal parts in different ways. Have them describe how they cut their food into halves or fourths.
Equal Parts Fourths Halves	Not Equal Parts	The Math Learning Center: <u>Geoboards</u>
Describing a whole by talking about halves, fourths, and quarters. Children partition circles, rectangles and squescribe them using the words halves, fourt	uares into 2 or 4 parts, then	 Have your child cut cookies of brownies into 2 or 4 equal parts in different ways. Have them describe how they cut their food into halves or fourths. Encourage your child to cut a brownie or cookie into fourths
Fourths/Quarters	Halves	or halves in more than one way.

Recognize when partitioning a whole into more equal parts, the parts get smaller.

Children identify patterns when partitioning shapes into fourths and halves. They identify when breaking the same shape into halves, the pieces will be larger than when breaking that same shape into fourths/quarters.

Example: Tony has two square brownies. He partitions one brownie into halves. He partitions the other brownie into fourths. How will the pieces of brownie compare?





- Give your child two square pieces of paper or a post-it note.
 Have them fold or cut one piece into halves. Have them
 fold or cut another piece into fourths. Ask your child to
 describe how the pieces compare. They should recognize
 that the halves are larger pieces than the fourths.
- The Math Learning Center: <u>Pattern Shapes</u>