Name

Understanding Percent

A percent is a ratio that compares a part to a whole. The second term in the ratio is always 100. The whole is 100%.

The grid has 60 of 100 squares shaded.

 $\frac{60}{100} = 60\%$

So, 60% of the grid is shaded.

When the second term of a ratio is not 100, you can write an equivalent ratio with a denominator of 100 or use a proportion to find the percent shown by the part.



Write the percent of each figure that is shaded.



- 7. Number Sense Jana divided a sheet of paper into 5 equal sections and colored 2 of the sections red. What percent of the paper did she color? ____
- **8. Writing to Explain** Shade each model to show 100%. Explain how you knew how many parts to shade.



Reteaching

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