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News from Ms. Lineberry (May 2016)

Introducing Fractions

In Ms. Lineberry's class, we have been working very hard to make progress in our Singapore Math program. Singapore Math has been very challenging but it has also been very rewarding, and we have already started working on challenging subjects, like fractions. (If you don't know much about Singapore Math, [click here to read a news story](#) from earlier in the year.)



At first, we struggled to figure fractions out. Trying to wrap our minds around halves and fourths proved difficult at first. Things became a little clearer after we started using "manipulatives," hands-on objects used to illustrate math concepts. We cut different shapes out of paper used those shapes to separate out equal parts that made fractions. In this picture, students cut a circle into four equal parts to learn about fourths!

All of this hard work has really paid off. We recently took a unit test on fractions and every single student in our class received a 100%! Keep up the good work!