Year 2 Maths: Halves, Thirds and Quarters

Name: _____ Date: _____

Have a go first, then check the answers with a grown-up.

Practice

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3. Write three quarters as a fraction.

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Spot the mistake

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Answer key (for parents and tutors)

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   Halves must be the same size. Two pieces that are not equal are not halves.
7. What is wrong? "In 1/4, the 4 means 4 pieces are coloured."
   The 4 is how many equal parts make the whole. The 1 is the part you count.
8. What is wrong? "2/4 is more than 1/2, because 2 is more than 1."
   2/4 and 1/2 cover the same amount. Quarters are just smaller pieces.