CONVERTING PERCENTAGES TO FRACTIONS





Using the magic formula... $\frac{x\%}{x\%} = \frac{x}{100}$

Example 1: What is 33% as a fraction?

- In this case, x = 33
- So the fraction is $\frac{33}{100}$

Example 2: What is 50% as a fraction?

- In this case, x = 50%
- So the fraction is $\frac{50}{100}$

But the above fraction is **not** in its simplest form. 50% is more often written as $\frac{1}{2}$.

So what's going on??

We need to simplify our fraction!!

 $\frac{50}{100} = \frac{50 \div 10}{100 \div 10} = \frac{5 \div 5}{10 \div 5} = \frac{1}{2}$

(If you aren't comfortable with this simplification, you should watch the video on "simplifying fractions" and "equivalent fractions" on YouTube).



