In 7th grade, we are going to learn about **Rational Numbers**…In order to understand
Rational Numbers, you need to first understand **Fractions**. **There are 4 things to remember.**

What are fractions?

1. Fractions are Division

Example 1 $\dfrac{1}{2}$ can also be written as the division problem: 1 ÷ 2

Example 2 $\dfrac{3}{5}$ can also be written as the division problem: 3 ÷ 5

2. Whole numbers can be written like fractions

Example 3 $\dfrac{5}{1}$ = 5 ÷ 1 = **5**

Example 4 $\dfrac{7}{1}$ = 7 ÷ 1 = **7**

In examples 3 & 4, a whole number can be written in fraction form
by placing a "1" in the denominator. (bottom).

Example 5   **whole number**   **fraction form**

                        3   = $\dfrac{3}{1}$

Example 6   **whole number**   **fraction form**

                        2   = $\dfrac{2}{1}$