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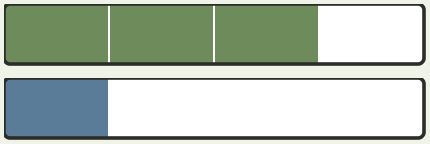

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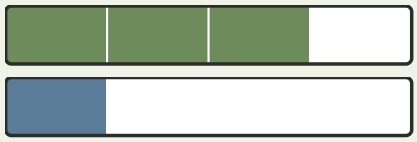

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TEACHER NOTES Answer key & guidance

Answers: numerator differences over the shared denominator
Common error: Subtracting the denominators too
Strategy: Subtract numerators; the denominator names the unit
Prompt: "What is the unit being counted?"

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