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## Starter:

What's the same? What's different?


## Explain your answer.

## Activity 1:

Using Cuisenaire rods:
a) If purple represents one whole, what does a red rod represent?
b) If purple represents one whole, what does a white rod represent?
c) If purple represents one whole, what does a light green rod represent? Explain your answers.


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Activity 2:
Take two strips of paper. They must be equal in length.
Fold one strip into quarters and the other into eighths (as shown by the illustration / animation).
Place the strip that has been split into quarters over the strip that has been split into eighths.


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## Activity 4:

Chen says, "The diagram below shows both $6 / 9$ and $2 / 3$."


Explain why Chen is correct.

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Activity 3:
Create your own bar model fraction questions using square grid paper.


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1 / 2=4 / 8
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## Activity 5:

Ruth has made the following fraction using a bar model.

Ahmed says, "I can make an equivalent fraction using a bar model that is made from twelve equal parts."
James says, "You can only make a bar model showing an equivalent fraction made of double 4 (or eight) equal parts."
Who do you agree with?
Use the blank bar model below to help explain your answer.


