

Fair Share Words

Students identify equal halves and fourths in spoken sharing stories.

1.NS.3.c "Describe and justify how shares are equal pieces or equal parts of the whole (limited to halves, fourths) when given a contextual problem."

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE IT _____

a	halves	fourths	unequal
b	halves	unequal	fourths
c	equal	unequal	fourths

2 MATCH WORDS _____

●●	•	•	equal
●●●●	•	•	halves
same	•	•	fourths

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Show a paper strip folded into two same-size parts, then into four same-size parts. Have students say whether parts are the same size or not the same size before they mark the page. Listen for words such as equal, halves, and fourths as students explain their choices.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CIRCLE IT

SAY “Listen to each sharing story. Say why the pieces are the same size or not the same size, then circle your answer.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	A sandwich is cut into 2 same-size pieces. Two children each get 1 piece. Are the shares called halves, fourths, or unequal? How do you know? Circle the word.	halves
b	A pan of brownies is cut into 4 same-size pieces. Four children each get 1 piece. Are the shares called halves, unequal, or fourths? How do you know? Circle the word.	fourths
c	A cookie is cut for 4 children. One piece is much bigger than the other pieces. Are the shares equal, unequal, or fourths? How do you know? Circle the word.	unequal

PART 2 • MATCH WORDS

SAY “Look at the dots and word on the left. Draw a line from 2 dots to the word for 2 equal pieces, from 4 dots to the word for 4 equal pieces, and from same to the word that means the same size.”

- **2 dots** matches **halves**
- **4 dots** matches **fourths**
- **same** matches **equal**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers are halves, fourths, and unequal. Match 2 dots to halves, 4 dots to fourths, and same to equal. Accept oral explanations that equal shares are the same size and unequal shares are not the same size.