

Handout: Session 6, part 4

Analyzing images from teaching

Today's Topic: Comparing fractions through different methods

Representations used: number line area (rectangles)

Which is larger $\frac{4}{3}$ or $\frac{14}{15}$

Representations not used: Sets of objects area (circles)

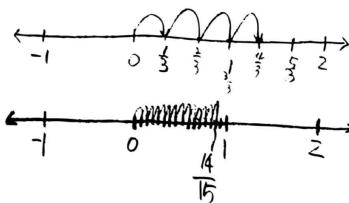
$\frac{4}{3} \text{ } \frac{20}{15}$
 $\frac{20}{15} > \frac{14}{15}$

Which is larger: $\frac{3}{4}$ or $\frac{14}{15}$

Findings:

- $\frac{4}{3}$ is bigger because it is more than 1 while $\frac{14}{15}$ is a little smaller.
- Both of these fractions are 1 part away from 1
- Even though the denominator is really small that does not mean that the fraction is going to be smallest.
- You can change $\frac{4}{3}$ into a fraction with an equal value that is easier to compare with $\frac{14}{15}$.

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