

Equal Shares & Groups

Represent equal sharing and equal grouping with materials. Deal counters one-to-one onto plates to share, or make equal-size groups — then count on or subitise the small groups.

Share equally among the plates

“Six counters shared equally among three plates — how many on each?”



Six counters shared among three plates gives two on each plate.

SPOTLIGHT Share it or group it

The same six counters can be shared onto plates or made into equal groups.

Equal sharing: $6 \div 3$



two on each plate

Equal grouping: groups of 2



three equal groups

Deal them out

Give one counter to each plate in turn until all are shared.

Make equal groups

Sort the counters into groups that are all the same size.

Count or subitise

Count each group, or recognise small groups at a glance.