

Add Fractions Using Models

Fractions with like denominators have the same denominator. You can add fractions with like denominators using a number line.

Model $\frac{4}{6} + \frac{1}{6}$.

Step 1 Draw a number line labeled with sixths. Model the fraction $\frac{4}{6}$ by starting at 0 and shading 4 sixths.



Step 2 Add the fraction $\frac{1}{6}$ by shading 1 more sixth.



Step 3 How many sixths are there in all? 5 sixths
Write the number of sixths as a fraction.

$$5 \text{ sixths} = \frac{5}{6} \quad \frac{4}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

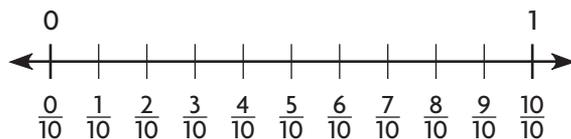
1 Model $\frac{1}{5} + \frac{4}{5}$.

$$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{4}{5} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$



Find the sum. Use a model to help.

2 $\frac{2}{10} + \frac{4}{10}$



3 $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}$

