

Unit Price

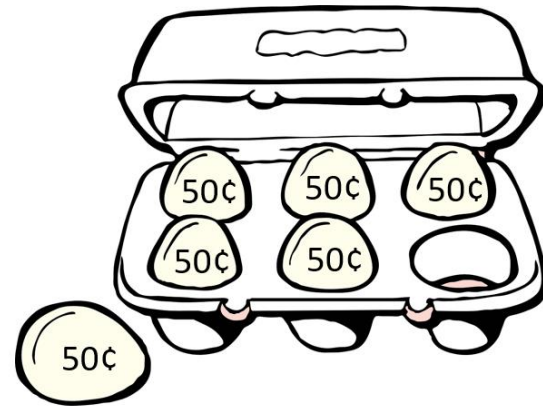
Instructional Story

Sometimes, when you buy more of something, the price for each thing is lower.

For example, if you buy a dozen eggs (12 eggs), each egg might cost 25 cents.



If you buy only 6 eggs, each egg might cost 50 cents.



How to Use

I bought these great “which is the better buy?” [task cards from “Adulging Made Easy” on TeachersPayTeachers](#), and I wanted to make an introductory story to use with one of my students as part of a lesson before we tried the task cards.

I wrote this a brief introduction to the concept before we worked on the cards.



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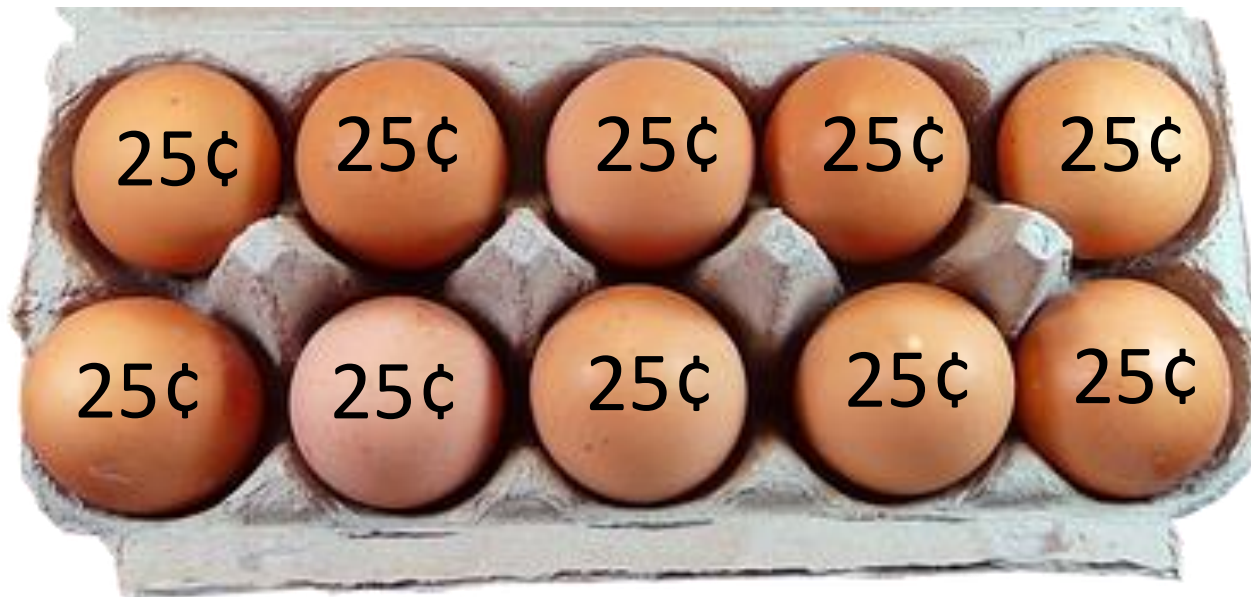
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Which one is a better buy?

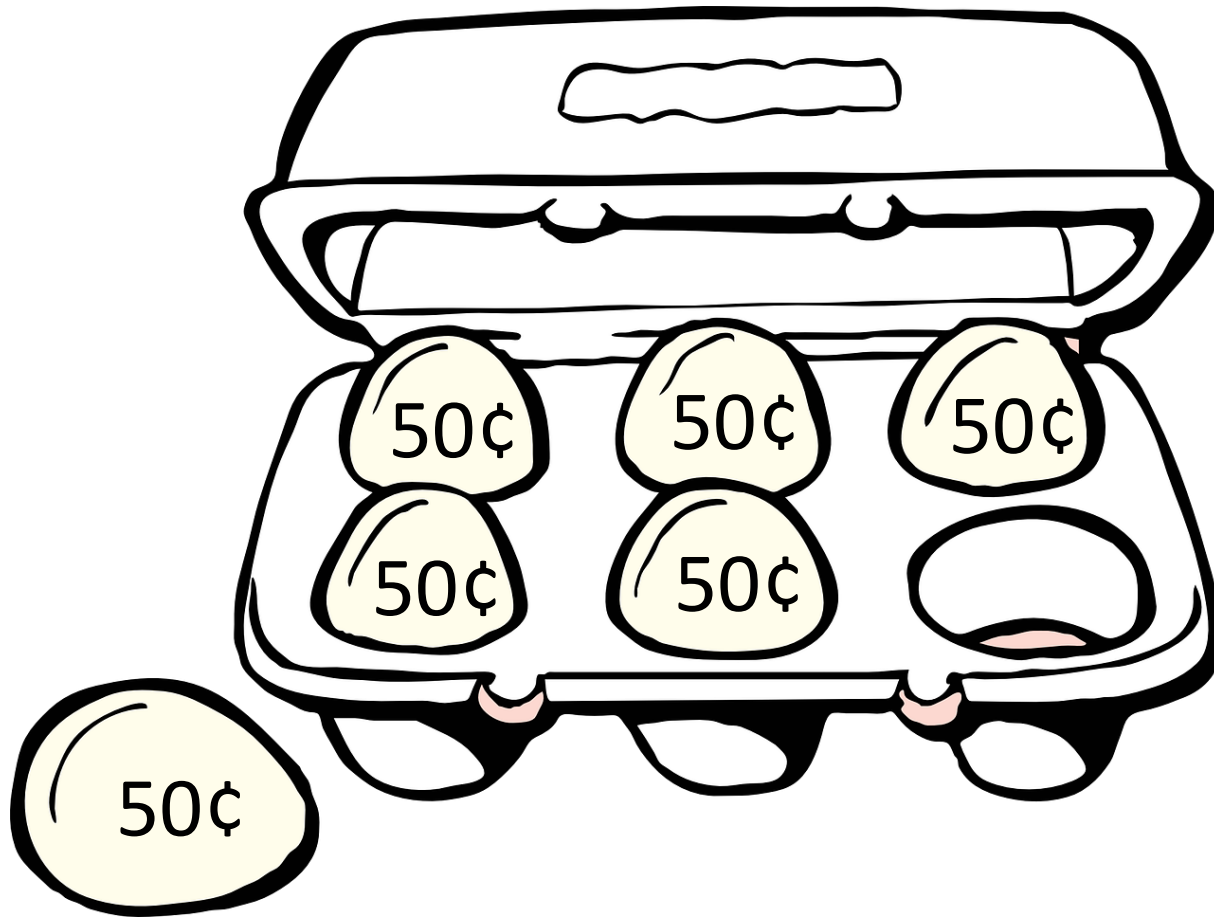


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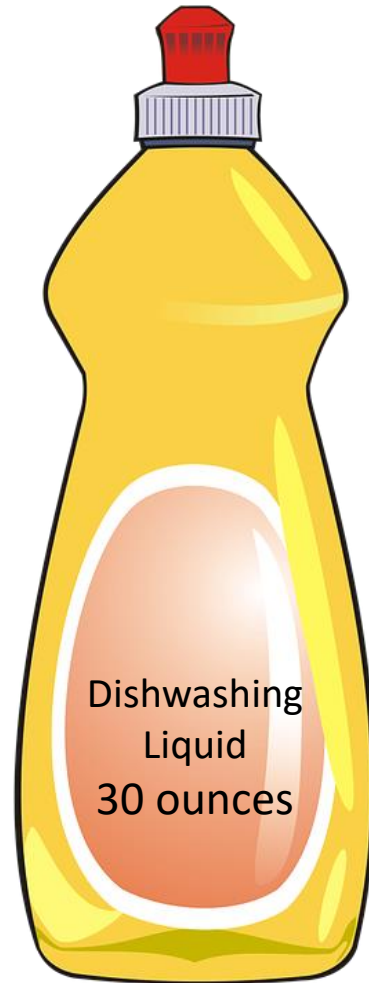
If you buy 9 muffins, each muffin might cost \$1.



If you buy only 4 muffins, each muffin might cost \$2.



When you buy something that is a liquid, such as shampoo or soup, the size is often given in ounces. Each ounce is a small part of the bottle or can.



If you buy 16 ounces of shampoo, each ounce might cost 20 cents.



If you only buy 11 ounces of shampoo, each ounce might cost 30 cents.



Now, let's practice how to calculate the price for each item or the price per each ounce.



Name: _____ Date: _____

Calculation Sheet

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How I Use the Calculation Sheet:

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To find the unit price, take the total cost divided by the number of items.	
Carton 1 = 3 eggs One egg from carton 1 costs <u>66¢</u>	Carton 2 = 6 eggs One egg from carton 2 costs <u>64¢</u>
Package 1 = 4 batteries One battery from package 1 costs <u>1.1¢</u>	Package 2 = 2 batteries One battery from package 2 costs <u>1.5¢</u>
Box 1 = 6 One marker from Box 1 costs <u> </u>	Box 2 = 6 One marker from Box 2 costs <u> </u>
<div>WHICH IS THE BETTER BUY?</div> <div><div>Box 1  \$4.50</div><div>Box 2  \$6.72</div></div> <div>Which is the lower unit price?</div>	