## Labsheet 3.3A Fractions on a Grid

| Fraction | Decimal | Representation on a Grid |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{5}{10}$ | 0.5 |  |
| $\frac{20}{100}$ | 0.20 |    <br>    <br>    <br>    <br>    |
|  | 0.02 |   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   |
| $\frac{250}{1000}$ |  |  |

What are some fractions equivalent to $3 / 10$ ?

What are some decimals equivalent to $3 / 10$ ?

Do $0.20,0.02$, and 0.2 all represent the same number? $\qquad$ Explain.

Decimals give people a way to write fractions with denominators of 10 or 100 or 1,000 or 10,000 or even $100,000,000,000$, as in the table below. These denominators are different forms of base ten numeration.

| Fraction | Denominator as <br> a Power of 10 | Decimal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{1}{10}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{1}}$ | 0.1 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{2}}$ | 0.01 |
| $\frac{1}{1,000}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{3}}$ | 0.001 |
| $\frac{1}{10,000}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{4}}$ | 0.0001 |
| $\frac{1}{100,000}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{5}}$ | 0.00001 |
| $\frac{1}{1,000,000}$ | $\frac{1}{10^{6}}$ | 0.000001 |
| $\vdots$ | $?$ | $\vdots$ |
| $\frac{1}{100,000,000,000}$ | $?$ | $?$ |

In Investigation 1, you folded fraction strips. One of the strips you made was a tenths strip, similar to the one shown below.


How could you mark this tenths strip to get a hundredths strip?
How would you label each part of this new fraction strip?

A tenths grid is also divided into 10 equal parts. You can further divide a tenths grid by drawing horizontal lines to make 100 parts. This is called a hundredths grid.

Tenths Grid


Hundredths Grid


