

Pancakes and Proportions



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We use proportional relationships when we make pancakes. This uses 1 cup of mix to $\frac{2}{3}$ cup of water.

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Table of Values



4-INCH PANCAKES



MIX



COLD WATER

6 - 7	1 Cup	2/3 Cup
12 - 14	2 Cups	1 1/3 Cups
18 - 21	3 Cups	2 Cups
24 - 28	4 Cups	2 2/3 Cups

Tip For thinner pancakes, add more water. For thicker pancakes, add more mix.

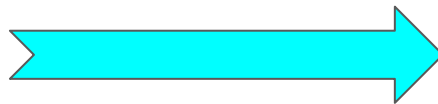
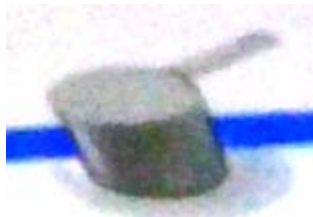
1 **HEAT**
griddle to 375°F



HEAT pancake griddle to 375°F (medium heat).
Lightly grease griddle.

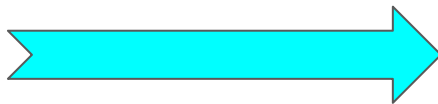
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1 cup of mix makes 6 pancakes

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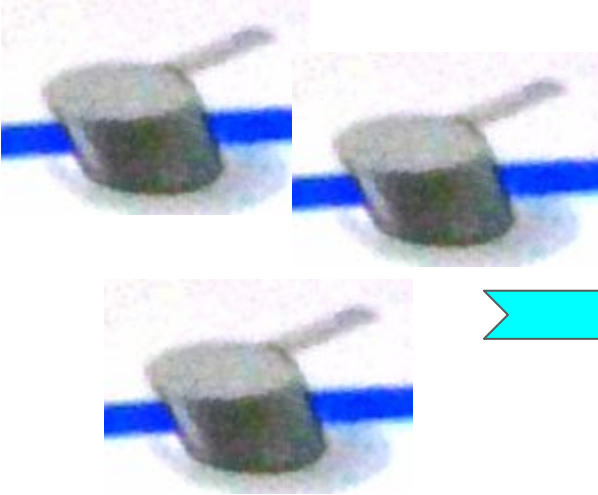


2 cups of mix makes 12 pancakes

Pancake equation

$$y = 6x$$

Proportion $y = kx$. Constant of proportionality $k = 6$



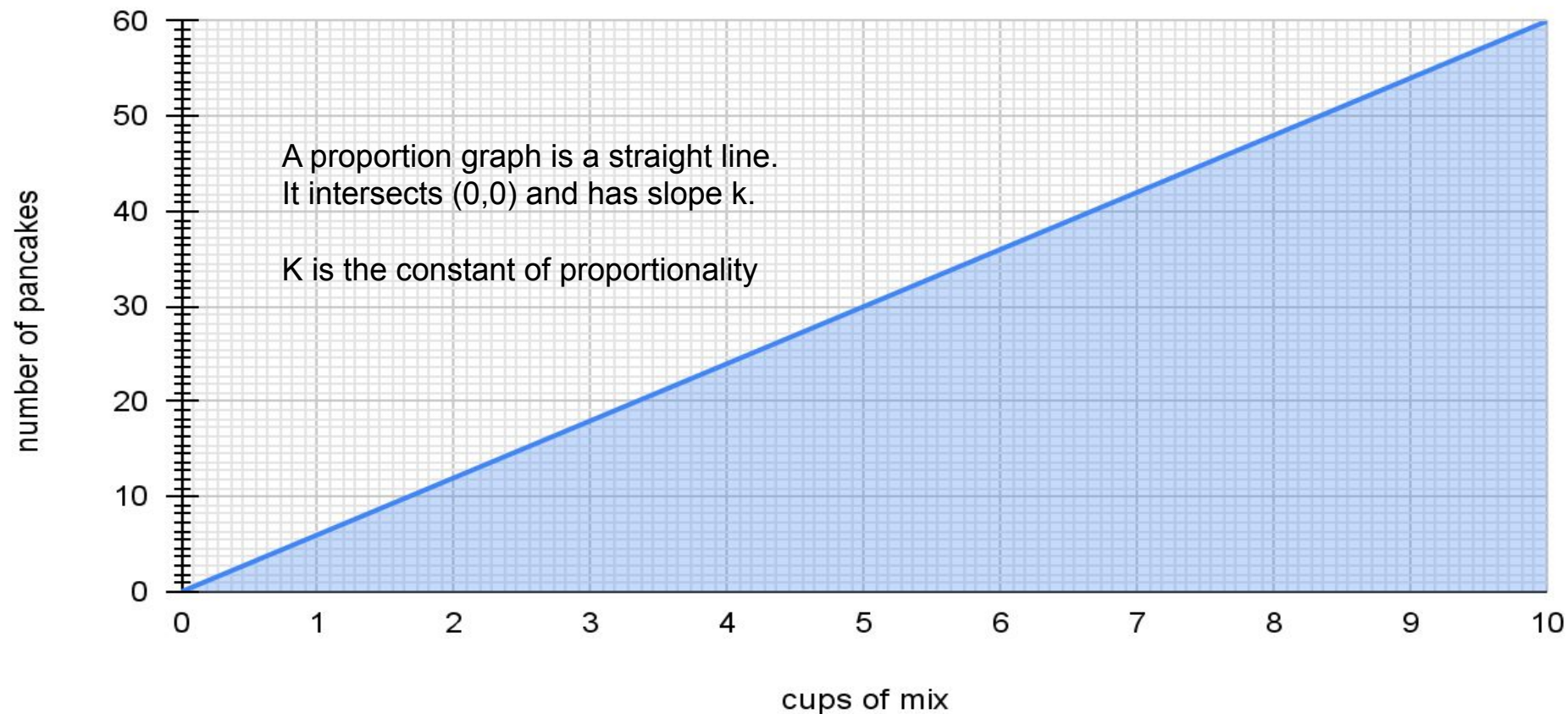
3 cups of mix makes 18 pancakes

What if you need 50
pancakes for a party?

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cups of mix	number of pancakes
0	0
1	6
2	12
3	18
4	24
5	30
6	36
7	42
8	48
9	54
10	60

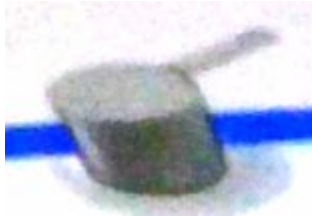
number of pancakes vs. cups of mix



Pancake number

$y = 6x$ cups of mix

$$50 = 6x$$

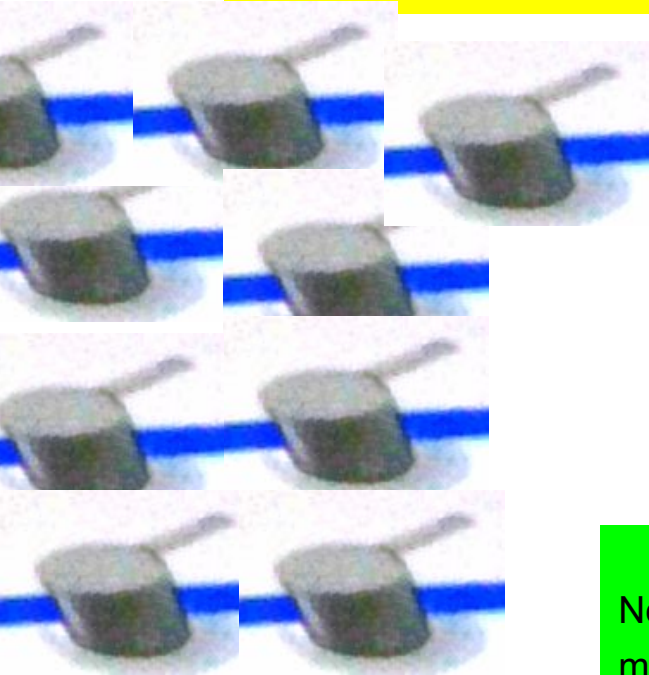


To make 50 pancakes, Solve the equation for $y = 50$.

The equation for the number of pancakes is $y = 6x$

Solve Equation for 50 pancakes:

$$50 = 6x$$



$$6x = 50$$

Switch order.
Rewrite with x on left

$$x = 50/6$$

Isolate x.

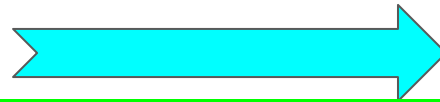
Divide both sides by 6

$$x = 8 \frac{2}{6}$$

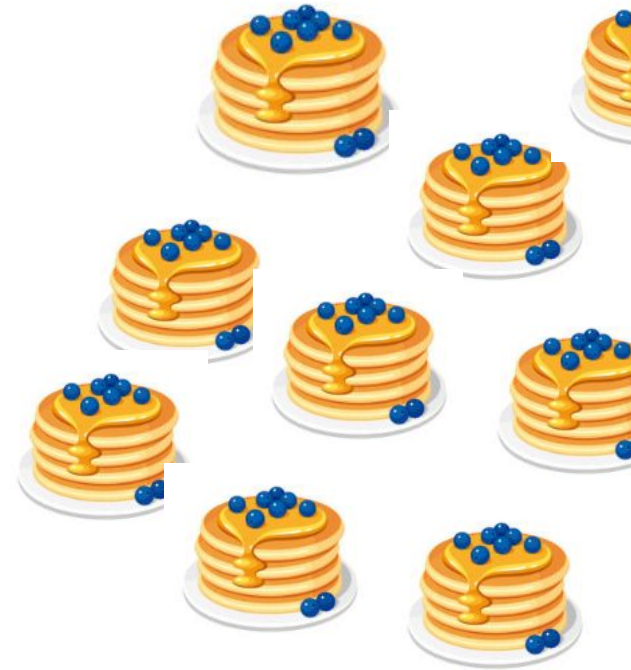
Reduce fraction

$$x = 8 \frac{1}{3}$$

Need $8 \frac{1}{3}$ cups



Need **$8 \frac{1}{3}$** cups of mix to
make 50 pancakes



How much water?

Table of Values

that nothing brings people together better than delicious food.

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12 - 14	2 Cups	1 1/3 Cups
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Water Equation:

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x.$$

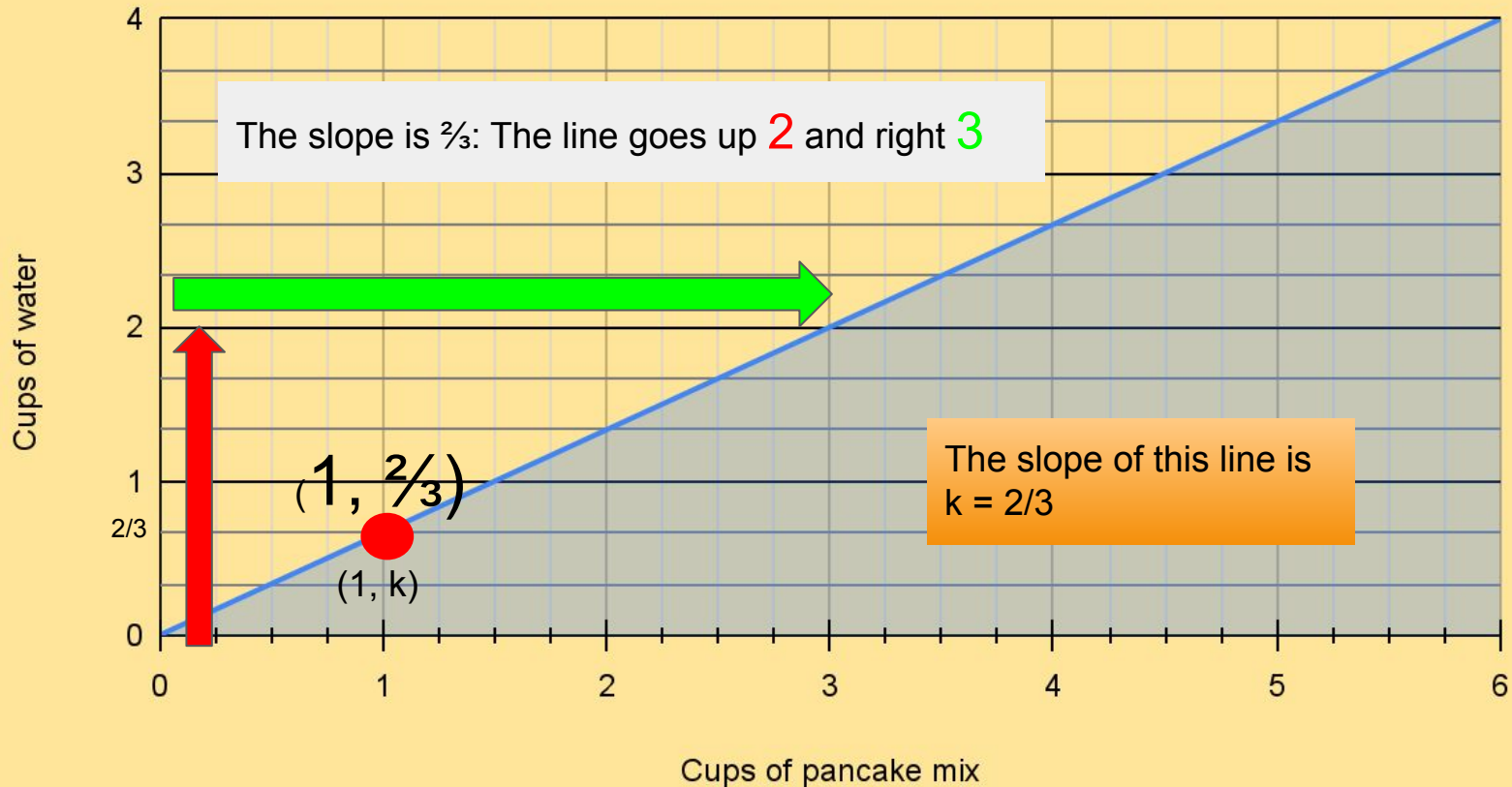
Need $\frac{2}{3}$ cups of water for cup of mix

1 HEAT
griddle to 375°F



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Lightly grease griddle.

Cups of pancake mix vs. cups of water $y = \frac{2}{3}x$

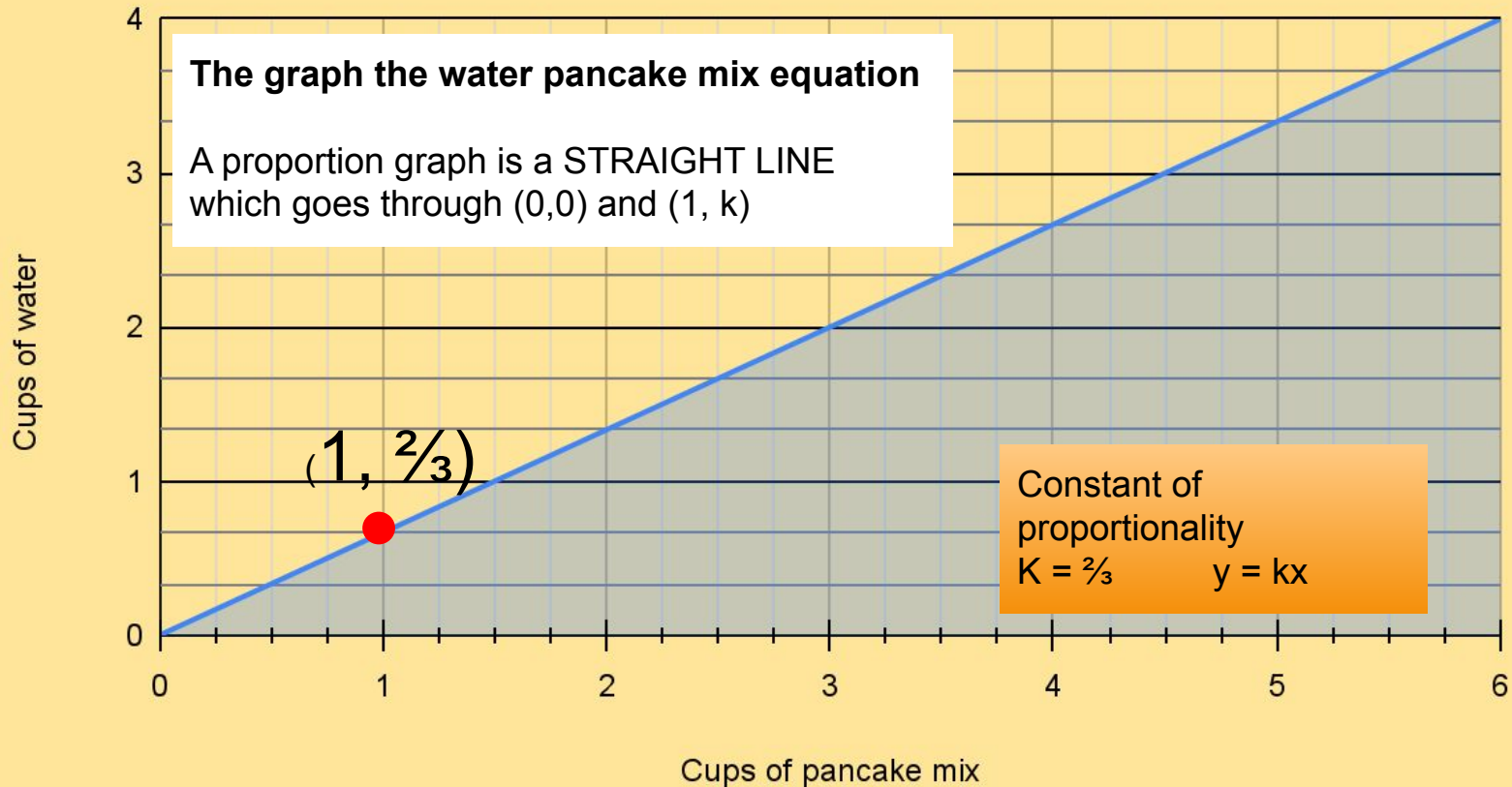




The graph of a proportional relationship is a straight line that goes through $(0,0)$ and $(1, k)$

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Cups of pancake mix vs. cups of water $y = \frac{2}{3}x$



Proportional relationship

Constant of proportionality k

$$y = kx$$

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x$$

$$\text{water} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ mix}$$

There must be $\frac{2}{3}$ cup of water for every 1 cup of mix

Water Equation:

$$y = \frac{2}{3} x.$$

$$\text{Water} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ mix}$$

$$(\text{Water}) = \frac{2}{3} (\text{mix})$$

$$\text{mix} = 8 \frac{1}{3} \text{ cups}$$

$$\text{mix} = \frac{25}{3} \text{ cups}$$

Calculated in step 1

Convert to improper fraction

$$Y = \frac{2}{3} * (25) * \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Y = \frac{50}{9}$$

$$Y = 5 \frac{5}{9} = 5.55 = 5 \frac{1}{2}$$

$$X = \frac{25}{2} = 12 \frac{1}{2}$$

**Need 5 ½ cups of water
And 8 ⅓ cups of mix
to make 50 pancakes**

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