



# **Tomatoes Worksheet**

Objective:

Students will be able to multiply fractions to their doubled and tripled forms.

Indiana Academic Standards:

Mathematics: Grade 7

Computation

7.C.3 - Understand that multiplication is extended from fractions to rational numbers by requiring that operations continue to satisfy the properties of operations, particularly the distributive property, leading to products such as (-1)(-1) = 1 and the rules for multiplying signed numbers.

### Materials:

- Writing Utensil
- Student Worksheet



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**Instructions:** Today you are going to help a chef convert this salsa recipe in order to feed a large group of people. Your help is needed to double and triple this recipe. Adjust the following salsa recipe to serve double, and then triple the amount of people the original recipe would serve.







## Teacher Answer Key

The correct answers for these fractions are as follows:

Doubled Tripled

 $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. ripe tomatoes  $3\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. ripe tomatoes

5 cup chopped green onion  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped green onion

2/3 cup chopped red onion 1 cup chopped red onion

1½ jalapeno peppers 2¼ jalapeno peppers

½ cup fresh chopped cilantro ¾ cup fresh chopped cilantro

2 garlic cloves (chopped) 3 garlic cloves (chopped)

3 teaspoons fresh lime juice  $4 \frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons fresh lime juice

1 teaspoon chili powder 1½ teaspoons chili powder

Once the students have this solved they get the puzzle piece for tomatoes.

### **Background Information:**

- Indiana is one of the top five tomato-producing states in the country.
- The Red Gold plant (the largest tomato plant in Indiana) is located in Madison County Elwood, Indiana.
- Red Gold factory grows 10,000-11,000 acres of tomatoes annually.
- Tomatoes contribute \$4.8 billion to the American economy.
- Tomatoes are very high in vitamins A and C, making them a great choice for any snack or meal.

#### Careers:

Plant biologist, plant genetics scientists, produce marketer and urban farmer