Dividing Regions into Equal Parts

How can you divide a whole into equal parts?

Show two ways to divide the grid paper into equal parts.

When a region is divided into two equal parts, the parts are called halves.

Here are some names of equal parts of a whole.

- 2 equal parts: halves
- 3 equal parts: thirds
- 4 equal parts: fourths
- 5 equal parts: fifths
- 6 equal parts: sixths
- 8 equal parts: eighths
- 10 equal parts: tenths
- 12 equal parts: twelfths

• How do you know that each region is divided into two equal parts?
• How are the regions alike?
• How are the regions different?
• What pattern do you see in the word names for the parts?