

Vocabulary: Comparing and Ordering Decimals



- Compound inequality two or more inequalities combined into one.
 - \circ For example, 9.2 < 9.3 < 9.4 is a combination of the two inequalities 9.2 < 9.3 and 9.3 < 9.4.
- <u>Decimal</u> a number written in the base-10 system.
 - Usually "decimal" refers to a number that contains a decimal point.
- <u>Decimal point</u> a point that separates the ones place from tenths, hundredths, etc.
 - For example, the decimal 7.4 is seven and four tenths. The decimal 7.41 is seven and forty-one hundredths.
- Equivalent equal in value.
 - Equivalent decimals have different numbers of digits but represent the same amount.
 - For example, 0.5 (five tenths) and
 0.50 (fifty hundredths) are
 equivalent decimals.



- Hundredth one of 100 equal parts of a whole.
 - The hundredths place is the position of the second digit after the decimal point.
 - o For example, in the number 89.71 the 1 is in the hundredths place.
- <u>Inequality</u> a statement showing that one number is greater than (>) or less than (<) another number.
 - o For example, 5.3 < 6.8 is an inequality stating that 5.3 is less than 6.8.
- Tenth one of 10 equal parts of a whole.
 - The tenths place is the position of the first digit after the decimal point.
 - For example, in the number 89.71 the 7 is in the tenths place.

