## Vocabulary: Comparing and Ordering Decimals

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- Compound inequality - two or more inequalities combined into one.
- For example, $9.2<9.3<9.4$ is a combination of the two inequalities $9.2<9.3$ and $9.3<9.4$.
- Decimal - a number written in the base-10 system.
- Usually "decimal" refers to a number that contains a decimal point.
- Decimal point - 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.

five tenths 0.50

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- Hundredth - one of 100 equal parts of a whole.
- The hundredths place is the position of the second digit after the decimal point.
- For example, in the number 89.71 the 1 is in the hundredths place.
- Inequality - a statement showing that one number is greater than ( $>$ ) or less than (<) another number.
- 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.

