## PERFECT DILUTIONS

Dilutions are not just chemistry lab stuff! In fact, sometimes we can have to do it at home.
Whether you are treating yourself to diluite a concentrated detergent or to dye your hair, it is necessary to know how to determine the correct quantity for the product to work properly.

## Overview "PERFECT DILUTIONS"



## Outcomes and results

Learners are able to calculate the correct amount for a dilution.

## Main information

| Content | Natural numbers, <br> Decimal numbers, <br> Multiplications and divisions. |
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| Target group | Adults and young adults; <br> Learners are curious and knowing the meaning of <br> ratio. |
| Learning intention | Numeracy for personal and private purposes |
| Duration | 1 1UE |
| Material and resources | Picture cards |
| Group size | Range from 2 to 16 learners <br> In daily life it happens to have to do dilutions. In the <br> kitchen, for example, to prepare some dishes or <br> cocktails, but also in the care of the home, as in the <br> case of concentrated detergents or the dilutions <br> necessary for wall painting. The applications are <br> different and numerous so it is important to know <br> how to properly perform the dilutions without <br> compromising the effectiveness of the product in <br> question. |
| Problem statement | - What is a dilution? <br> - When we use dilutions in daily life? |
| Working questions | What is a ratio? <br> - How do you calculate a ratio? |
| Learning outcomes <br> results | The students are able to calculate the correct <br> amount for a dilution. |
| Reference to National |  |
| Qualification Frame |  |$\quad$| and |
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## Working plan

| Time <br> (lessons) | Description of <br> content/activities | Material | Methodical and <br> didactic <br> information |
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| $20^{\prime}+$ | 1.Discover <br> The teacher introduces the <br> activity asking learners if they <br> know what a dilution is and if <br> they know when to use it. <br> In this phase, all the contexts in <br> which dilutions are used to <br> emerge the frequency of <br> applications are collected on <br> the blackboard. | Blackboard | Questioning; <br> discussion |
| $45^{\prime}$ | 2. Ratio and exercise <br> Learners are offered exercises <br> with ratio and they are asked <br> to carry out them <br> independently. <br> After this part, we discuss <br> together the methods used to <br> solve the exercises and about <br> the concept of mathematical <br> ratio. | Exercises | on |
| Sharing strategies can be a <br> useful tool. | 3.Final discussion <br> Students discuss the activity <br> carried out, reconsider the <br> concept of dilution and review <br> the development of related <br> problems. | Hand <br> learning; <br> Discussion. |  |
| $20^{\prime}$ |  | Discussion |  |

## Appendix

## 2. Ratio and excercise

[SOME EXAMPLES]
a) DEVI USARE 36g DI TINTA PER CAPELLI DA USARE IN RAPPORTO CON L'ACQUA OSSIGENATA 1:1,5. QUANTA ACQUA OSSIGENATA TI SERVE?
b) PER DIPINGERE LA CAMERA DA LETTO USI UNA PITTURA DA DILUIRE AL 30\% CON ACQUA. SE HAI 5 LITRI DI PITTURA, QUANTA ACQUA AGGIUNGI?
c) HAI A DISPOSIZIONE 5 mI DI TEQUILA E VUOI PREPARARE IL PERFETTO MARGARITA. SAPENDO CHE LA RICETTA VEDE GLI INGREDIENTI IN RAPPORTO 7(tequila):4 (triple sec):3(lime) DI QUANTI mI DI LIQUORE E DI SUCCO DI LIME HAI BISOGNO?
d) DEVI RIUTILIZZARE UN FLACONE VUOTO DI DETERSIVO DA 1 LITRO. QUANTO DETERSIVO CONCENTRATO VERSI SAPENDO CHE ANDRà DILUITO 1:2 CON L'ACQUA?
e) UNA SOLUZIONE VIENE PREPARATA DILUENDO IL CONCENTRATO IN RAPPORTO 1:3 CON L'ACQUA. QUANTA ACQUA TI SERVE PER DILUIRE 150 ML DI CONCENTRATO?

