

Problem Solving: Writing to Explain

Estimate the fractional part of the shaded portions below. Explain how you decided.

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- **3.** Draw a square and shade about $\frac{1}{8}$ of it. How did you decide how much to shade?
- **4.** Draw two rectangles that are different sizes. Shade about $\frac{1}{2}$ of each. Are the shaded parts the same amount? Explain.

5. Look at a picture of the American flag. Approximately what part of the flag is blue? Explain.