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*Problem:*

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- 1 Mackenzie: (*Referring to the top rectangle*) I picked- and it says,  
2 "What fraction of the rectangle is shaded brown?" And  
3 I- my answer was one-third of the-
- 4 Teacher: You can use a marker and write that number.
- 5 Mackenzie: I put one-third of the rectangle that's shaded brown.
- 6 Teacher: Can you explain why you came up with that?
- 7 Mackenzie: Well, because there is three squares and one of them is  
8 colored in. So you pick the one- You write the number  
9 that is like the amount that is shaded in, then you write  
10 the whole entire numbers with all the squares in it.
- 11 Teacher: So now you can say, "Does anybody have comments?"