## Irrational Numbers and Decimal Expansion - Guided Lesson Explanation

## Explanation#1

1) Do the actual math and divide as the problem states: 17/100

(2 zeroes = move the decimal to the left twice)

$$17. = 0.17$$

Answer is: 0.17

## Explanation#2

Irrational numbers are numbers that cannot be written as  $\frac{a}{b}$ .

This is when a and b are integers and b is not equal to zero.

When written as decimals, irrational numbers do not terminate or repeat.

Rational numbers can be written as  $\frac{a}{h}$  with the same parameters.

In decimal form, rational numbers terminate or repeat.

Step 3) A) Rational – It is a whole integer.

- B) Irrational The decimal doesn't repeat or terminate.
- C) Rational In standard form the number is whole (4).
- D) Rational is a terminating decimal number, so it is a rational number.

## Explanation#3

Every place value name dictates the fraction.

0	6			
ones	tenths	hundredths	thousandths	ten- thousandths

If you were to name this number it would be six-tenths. If we write six-tenths as a fraction it equals:  $\frac{6}{10}$