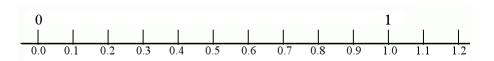
## **Rounding to the Nearest Whole Number**

1. Which of the decimals

0.1, 0.2, 0.3, ..., 0.8, 0.9

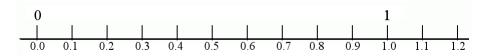
are closer to 0 than to 1?

Which ones are closer to 1?



Which one is as close to 0 as it is to 1?

2. Imagine nine little lines between each of the tenths on the number line.



What numbers would those lines represent?

Which of those are closer to 0 than to 1?

Which are closer to 1?

## Rounding to the nearest whole number

- 1) Look at the first decimal digit which is right *after* the whole number part.
- 2) If it is 5 or more, you need to round UP to the next whole number. Cut off the decimal digits; change the whole number part by 1.
- 3) If it is 4 or less, you round DOWN to the previous whole number. Cut off the decimal digits; the whole number part won't change.

Look at the digit *after* the whole number:

$$6.48 \approx 6$$
 $4 \rightarrow \text{round down.}$ 

$$4.7 \approx 5$$

 $7 \rightarrow \text{round up}$ .

$$2.09 \approx 2$$
  
0  $\rightarrow$  round down.

3. Round the following decimals to the nearest whole number.

**b.** 
$$0.5 \approx$$

**f.** 
$$5.3 \approx$$

**g.** 
$$2.6 \approx$$

**h.** 
$$3.5 \approx$$

i. 
$$7.8 \approx$$

**k.** 
$$0.18$$
 ≈

$$\mathbf{m}$$
. 0.78 ≈

$$\mathbf{n}$$
. 2.43 ≈

4. Round the following decimals to the nearest whole number.

**a.** 
$$4.35 \approx$$

**h.** 
$$7.7 \approx$$

m. 
$$4.3 \approx$$

$$\mathbf{n.}\ 0.5 \approx$$