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MPI: Reasoning to work out the fraction of a whole

Solution: so the small triangle is $\frac{1}{512}$ of the whole.

Did you get that?

This is the explanation for how I worked it out—there are other ways to explain it of course.

The solution to the question is $\frac{1}{512}$.

The explanation is, after I created the flower I coloured the triangle as I needed to find out what fraction this triangle was out of the original square.

I unfolded the flower so that I had the original square with the coloured triangle in the corner.

I then marked a quarter of the big square, then a quartered of this smaller square which gave us $\frac{1}{16}$ of the large square (the whole).

I quartered the new square which then represented $\frac{1}{64}$ of the whole.

Yet again I quartered the new square giving us $\frac{1}{256}$ of the whole.

The marked triangle was half of this so this time I halved the $\frac{1}{256}$ and got $\frac{1}{512}$.