What's Important for Math Intervention?





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Introduce yourself.

Describe your role.

Describe the mathematics you support.



What's the continuum of mathematics support?



Anita Archer (2019) facebook/com/watch/?v=320845308601739



What's the continuum of mathematics support?

To help students experiencing math difficulty with math proficiency, teachers should^c:

- 1. Use explicit instruction
- 2. Teach clear and concise math language
- 3. Use concrete, pictorial, and virtual representations
- 4. Use number lines for learning concepts and procedures
- 5. Provide deliberate instruction on solving word problems
- 6. Use timed activities as one way to build math fluency





For a school starting out with evidence-based maths instruction, what are your key points - the essentials?

How best to run high quality intervention with ES staff who have limited planning time / experience / knowledge?

I have small groups each week for 30 minute tutor support. What is the most important skills to prioritise in this scenario?



Can you please talk about how the approach to intervention is supported in whole-class instruction?

Are there Tier 2 mathematics evidencebased programs you would recommend?

How can I ensure the intervention is targeted to individual student needs?

What are effective routines for structured interventions?

How can parents be involved in this process at home?

Do you have recommendations for screening and programs?

Instructional Platform



A practice that has shown consistent and positive results



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evidence-based practice

evidence-based practice

evidence-based intervention

An intervention (i.e., packaged program) that has shown **consistent and positive** results



evidence-based intervention

evidence-based strategy

evidence-based practice

A method or strategy that has shown consistent and positive results





Explicit



Is it better to stream students and teach them explicitly at the level they are working towards?

Should you start with conceptual understanding and then procedural fluency? At what time do we switch the focus?

> What role does direct instruction play in fostering conceptual understanding?



Instructional Platform

INSTRUCTIONAL DELIVERY



INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES





Over a half century of research supports explicit (i.e., direct, systematic) instruction. (stockard et al., 2018)

When compared to discovery approaches, explicit instruction demonstrates higher outcomes. (Alfieri et al., 2011; Kroesbergen et al., 2004; Poncy et al., 2010)

Numerous meta-analyses and large-scale studies have identified explicit instruction as essential for the teaching and learning of mathematics. (Chodura et al., 2015; Ennis & Losinski, 2019; Jitendra et al., 2018; Kong et al., 2021; Morgan et al., 2015; Nelson & McMaster, 2019; Powell et al., 2021).



Guided practice

Planned examples

MODELING

Step-by-step explanation

Independent practice

SUPPORTS

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Practice continues as a dialogue between the teacher and students.



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Step-by-step explanation	Guided practice	is practice in which the
Planned examples	Independent practice	teacher and students
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"Let's work on a problem together."







"Now, you'll practice a problem on your own. Use your attack strategy!"



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These Supports should be used in both Modeling and Practice.



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SUPPORTS		
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During Modeling and Practice, it is essential to engage students and check for understanding.







"What is 7 times 9?"

"63."





"Because a positive 1 and a negative 1 equal 0. 1 use the zero pair to help me subtract."







During **Modeling** and **Practice**, students should frequently respond. The frequent responses keeps student attention and keeps student learning active.









During Modeling and Practice, students should receive immediate feedback on their responses.







"Nice work using your word problem attack strategy."







"Let's look at that again. Tell me how you added in the hundreds column."



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When is explicit instruction important?

Why might students benefit from explicit instruction?






Is there a developmental sequence to which language concepts need to be explicitly taught first?

What are supports for language learners at the emerging stages?

Writing about math is frequently expected of students - is that necessary? Do you have recommendations for practice?

Would love to know if you have a yearly vocabulary scope and sequence?





INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES





Significant correlation (r = .49) between mathematics vocabulary and mathematics performance. Mathematics vocabulary appears most important for word-problem performance (r = .58). (Lin et al., 2021)

Early mathematics vocabulary related to mathematics and literacy. (Hornburg et al., 2018; Purpura et al., 2017)

Students who experience difficulty with mathematics demonstrate lower mathematics vocabulary performance. (Hughes et al., 2020; Powell & Nelson, 2017; Powell et al., 2017; Unal et al., 2021)











Use formal math language

Use terms precisely







What number is in the tens place?

What digit is in the tens place? What is the value of the digit in the tens place?

Why this is important...

- A number refers to the entire amount.
- The 3 in the tens place value is not a number, but rather a digit in the number 135.
- Reinforces conceptual understanding of place value.

135

• Emphasizes that 3 is part of the number 135 with a value of 30.



The alligator eats the bigger number

is less than OR is greater than

Why this is important...

- Students must learn how to read and write the inequality symbols.
- Students must learn to read equations correctly from left to right because < and > are two distinct symbols.







top number and bottom number

numerator and denominator

Why this is important...

- Identifying that there are two separate (whole) numbers suggests that whole number properties can be applied to fractions.
- Emphasizing that a fraction is ONE number with ONE magnitude on a number line that is communicated with a numerator and denominator is important.





rename OR find equivalent OR simplify

Why this is important...

• Reducing suggests that the quantity or magnitude of the new number will be less than the original number.



Four point seven Four point oh seven

Four and seven tenths Four and seven hundredths

Why this is important...

• Accurately shares the magnitude of the decimal.

4.7 4.07

• Emphasizes place value.











What are examples of, "Instead of ___, Say ___?"



Use formal math language

Use terms precisely











Equation	9x	-	4	=	7x
Expression	9x	-	4		
Formula	۵²	+	b ²	=	C²
Function	f(x)			
Inequality	9x	-	4	>	6x

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Which terms do students not use precisely?



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Use terms precisely





Use explicit instruction. (Powell & Driver, 2015; Stevens et al., 2022)

> Use semantic maps. (Stevens et al., 2022)

Use visuals. (Powell & Driver, 2015)

Use flashcards with spaced practice. (Petersen-Brown et al., 2019)

> Use read-alouds. (Purpura et al., 2017)

Use explicit instruction. Use multiple representations. Create opportunities for discussion and feedback. Monitor student progress. Coordinate vocabulary instruction across settings. Create additional practice opportunities. (Nelson et al., 2020)



Why is the language of math important?

What are ways teachers can support students with the language of math?





Multiple Representations



What are your top tips for supporting students with activities that require manipulatives? How to play properly, pack up etc. Have you researched or yourself or experienced using just one manipulative to explicitly teach all whole number operations?

> What are the most effective maths manipulatives?

What are the manipulative s to use during intervention sessions?









Hands-on manipulatives contribute to increases in mathematics performance.

(Bouck & Park, 2018; Carbonneau et al., 2013; Namkung & Bricko, 2021; Sherman & Bisanz, 2009; Strickland & Maccini, 2012)

Virtual manipulatives contribute to increases in mathematics performance. (Bouck et al., 2020; satsangi et al., 2016)

Other visuals (e.g., graphic organizers) contribute to increases in mathematics performance. (Jitendra et al., 2009; sharp & Dennis, 2017; van Garderen, 2007; Xin, 2008)












































2 + 8 = 10 34 = 3 tens and 4 ones







Why are multiple representations helpful to use with students?

What materials might you need?







What is the role of fluency in maths?

How important is basic facts learning to support strategy learning?

What intervention do you suggest for a child who have difficulty recognising and recalling numerals?

What do we do with children who are unable to memorise their times tables?

Maths fluency - how does it impact students learning? What is the best way teach multiplication?









Mathematics fluency, particularly fluency with facts and computation, is related to overall mathematics performance. (Bailey et al., 2012; Cirino et al., 2019; Koponen et al., 2007, 2017; Vukovic et al., 2014

Fact fluency practice improves mathematics fact performance. (Burns et al., 2010; Codding et al., 2011; McCallum et al., 2004; Nelson et al., 2013; Poncy et al., 2010; Schutte et al., 2015; Stocker & Kubina, 2017)



Fluency helps students build confidence with mathematics.

Fluency provides less stress on working memory.

Fluency in mathematics makes mathematics easier.

Fluency is doing mathematics easily and accurately.

With fluency, it is important to emphasize both conceptual learning and procedural learning.





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Addition	Subtraction
Multiplication	Division

Build fluency with math facts.

- Addition: single-digit addends
- Subtraction: single-digit subtrahend
- Multiplication: single-digit factors
- Division: single-digit divisor





Addition	Subtraction
Multiplication	Division

Build fluency with whole-number computation





Addition	Subtraction
Multiplication	Division

Build fluency with rational-number computation





Addition	Subtraction
Multiplication	Division

Build fluency with integer computation



-14 - (-7) = -135 ÷ 2 =



Addition	subtraction
Multiplication	Division



What is an important fluency topic in math?

What are ways students can build fluency with that topic?



Problem Solving



Can you suggest some strategies to assist students with working memory difficulties to manage better with word problems?

> What are interventions or approaches to support those with Maths procedural fluency and worded problems difficulties?

How can you take slow processing speed into account in children that struggle with maths, particularly worded maths problems?

How can 1 best support my son who has dyslexia and suspected dyscalculia?





Key words tied to operations is an ineffective wordproblem strategy. (Karp et al., 2019; Powell et al., 2022)

Using a meta-cognitive strategy improves word-problem performance. (Freeman-Green et al., 2015; Krawec et al., 2012; Montague et al., 2011; Swanson et al., 2014)

A focus on schemas improves word-problem performance. (Alghamdi et al., 2020; Cook et al., 2020; Flores et al., 2016; Fuchs et al., 2021; Griffin et al., 2019; Jitendra et al., 2013; Lein et al., 2020; Peltier et al., 2020; Powell et al., 2022; Xin & Xhang, 2009; Zheng et al., 2013)







1. Keywords tied to operations





Lincoln had 8 pencils **fewer** than Roscoe. If Roscoe had 18 pencils, how many pencils did Lincoln have?

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Description of Single-Step Word Problems (n = 132)										
	Schema- Keyword(s)							(s) led		
	Occurren	nce of	Any keyword		specific		Multiple		to correct	
	scher	na			keywords ^a		keywords ^a		solution ^a	
Schema	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Total	27	20.5	26	96.3	23	88.5	5	19.2	21	80.8
Difference	17	12.9	17	100.0	14	82.4	2	11.8	12	70.6
Change	11	8.3	7	63.6	5	71.4	5	71.4	2	28.6
Equal groups	29	22.0	26	89.7	22	84.6	18	69.2	8	30.8
Comparison	10	7.6	9	90.0	9	100.0	4	44.4	5	55.6
Ratios or proportions	29	22.0	23	79.3	9	39.1	9	39.1	6	26.1
Product of measures	9	6.8	9	100.0	8	88.9	1	11.1	5	55.6
^a When a problem featured a keyword.										





Description of Multi-Step Word Problems (n = 84)									
	Occurren schem	ice of ia*	Any keywor	d	Keyword(s) led to correct solution ^b				
Schema	n	%	n	%	n	%			
Total	40	47.6	39	97.5	3	7.7			
Difference	11	13.1	11	100.0	1	9.1			
Change	21	23.8	19	95.0	1	5.3			
Equal groups	49	58.3	48	98.0	1	2.1			
Comparison	7	8.3	7	100.0	0	0.0			
Ratios or proportions	22	25.0	16	76.2	1	6.3			
Product of measures	7	8.3	7	100.0	2	28.6			

*Sum across schemas does not equal 100 because each word problem featured more than one schema.

^bWhen a problem featured a keyword.



Talk about keywords ("What does *more than* tell you about?")

Keywords are the mathematical vocabulary that help an students understand what the story is about and what they need to do

Keywords are important to identify and understand



But, do not tie a keyword to a specific operation!



2. Presenting problems by operation







Teach an attack strategy

Teach about schemas



RIDE

Read the problem.

dentify the relevant information.

Determine the operation and unit for the answer.

Enter the correct numbers and calculate, then check the answer.

RIDGES

Read the problem. I know statement. Draw a picture. Goal statement. Equation development. Solve the equation.



STAR

Stop and read the problem carefully. Think about your plan and the strategy you will use. Act. Follow your plan and solve the problem. Review your answer.

RICE

Read and record the problem. Illustrate your thinking. Compute. Explain your thinking.



SUPER

Slowly read the story problem twice.

Underline the question and circle the numbers you need. Picture it. Draw the scenario to show what is happening. Explain the problem with a number sentence.

Rewrite the answer in a sentence.

SHINES

Slowly and carefully read the problem. Highlight or underline key information. Identify the question by drawing a circle around it. Now solve the problem. Show your work. Examine your work for precision, accuracy, and clarity. Share your answer by writing a sentence.



SOLVE

Study the problem.

Organize the facts.

Line up the plan.

Verify the plan with computation.

Examine the answer.

R-CUBES

Read the problem. Circle key numbers. Underline the question. Box action words. Evaluate steps. Solve and check.









Share your favorite attack strategy.



Teach an attack strategy

Teach about schemas





XAT




Total

Β.

In March and April, it rained a total of 11.4 inches. If it rained 3.9 inches in March, how many inches did it rain in April?

PI + P2 = TU 3.9 + ? = 11.4 Pr SV ?= 7.5 inches



Difference Compo

Greater and lesser amounts compared for a difference

Adrianna has 10 pencils. Tracy has 4 pencils. How many more pencils does Adrianna have?

Adrianna has 6 more pencils than Tracy. If Tracy has 4 pencils, how many does Adrianna have?

Tracy has 6 fewer pencils than Adrianna. Adrianna has 10 pencils. How many pencils does Tracy have? Difference

Greater amount

Lesser amount



Difference

Jana has 107 wooden beads and 68 glass beads. How many more wooden beads than glass beads does Jana have?

Enter your answer in the response box.

68 3 7=39 more wooden beads 6 9 8 -



Change

An amount that increases or decreases

Nickole had 6 notebooks. Then, she bought 3 notebooks. How many notebooks does Nickole have now?

Nickole had 6 notebooks. Then, she bought a few more notebooks. Now, Nickole has 9 notebooks. How many notebooks did she buy?

Nickole had some notebooks. Then, she bought 3 notebooks. Now, Nickole has 9 notebooks. How many notebooks did she have to start with? End amount Change amount

start amount



Separate

An amount that increases or decreases

Samantha baked 20 cookies. Then, she ate 3 of the cookies. How many cookies does Samantha have now?

Samantha baked 20 cookies. Then, she ate some of the cookies. Now, she has 17 cookies. How many cookies did Samantha eat?

Samantha baked some cookies. She ate 3 of the cookies and has 17 cookies left. How many cookies did Samantha bake? End amount Change amount

start amount



Change

Change

28 There were 25 people in a library. Some people left the library and went home. Then there were 13 people remaining in the library. Which number line represents one way to determine the number of people who left the library?



Equal Groups

Groups multiplied by number in each group for a product

Array

Vary

Toni has 2 boxes of crayons. There are 12 crayons in each box. How many crayons does Toni have altogether?

Toni has 24 crayons. They want to place them equally into 2 boxes. How many crayons will Toni place in each box?

Toni has 24 crayons. They put them into boxes with 12 crayons each. How many boxes did Toni use?

Number in each group

Product

Groups



Equal Groups

Jack has 24 fish. He puts them into 4 bowls. Each bowl has an equal number of fish.

How many fish are in each bowl?





set multiplied by a number of times for a product

Brooke ran 6 minutes. Shaleeni ran 4 times longer than Brooke. How many minutes did Shaleeni run?





Comparison





Ratios/Proportions

Description of relationships among quantities

Melissa baked cookies and brownies. The ratio of cookies to brownies was 3:5. If she baked 25 brownies, how many cookies did she bake?

Emma typed 56 words in 2 minutes. At this rate, how many words could Emma type in 7 minutes?





XAT

Teach an attack strategy

Teach about schemas





What are student challenges with wordproblem solving?

What are teacher challenges with wordproblem solving?





What are the evidencebased practices in mathematics?

What evidenced based programs are available for students who have difficulties in mathematics?

What resources would you recommend?

If undertaking targeted, small group intervention, what time frame what you stick to?

Do you have recommendations for screening and programs?

> What resources/approaches are available for me to read/peruse?

Does productive struggle have a place in evidence based instruction?

> Tools for identifying a learning difficulty in maths?

How do you use student diagnostic information in intervention?





Myths That Undermine Maths Teaching

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https://intensiveintervention.org/intensive-intervention-math-course





Intensive Intervention in Mathematics Course Content

NCII, through a collaboration with the University of Connecticut, developed a set of course content focused on developing educators' skills in designing and delivering intensive mathematics instruction. This content is designed to support faculty and professional development providers with instructing purservice and in-service educators who are developing and/or refining their implementation of intensive mathematics intervention.

Intensive instruction was recently identified as a high-leverage practice in special education^a, and DBI is a research based approach to delivering intensive instruction across content areas (NCII, 2013). This course provides learners with an opportunity to extend their understanding of intensive instruction through in-depth exposure to DBI in mathematics, complete with exemplars from actual classroom teachers.

NCII, through a collaboration with the University of Connecticut and the National Center on Leadership in Intensive Intervention and with support from the CEEDAR Center , developed course content focused on enhancing educators' skills in intensive mathematics intervention. The course includes eight modules that can support faculty and professional development providers with instructing pre-service and in-service educators who are learning to implement intensive mathematics intervention through data-based individualization (DBI). The content in this course complements concepts covered in the Features of Explicit Instruction Course and so we suggest that users complete both courses.

MODULE 5: INTENSIVE MATHEMATICS INTERVENTION: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES









Instructional Routines for Mathematics Intervention

The purpose of these mathematics instructional routines is to provide educators with materials to use when providing intervention to students who experience difficulty with mathematics. The routines address content included in the grades 2-8 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). There are 23 modules that include routines and examples – each focused on different mathematical content. Each of the 23 modules include vocabulary cards and problem sets to use during instruction. These materials are intended to be implemented explicitly with the aim of improving



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