Fluency, Word Problems, and Mathematics Intervention





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Introduce yourself.

Describe your strengths in supporting mathematics.

Describe an opportunity for growth.







Instructional Platform



What's the continuum of mathematics support?



Anita Archer (2019)



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



What's the continuum of mathematics support?





What Works Clearinghouse™

Assisting Students Struggling with Mathematics: Intervention in the Elementary Grades

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Vocabulary







Use formal math language

Use terms precisely



Use semantic maps

Term	Definition	Example	Nonexample						
integer	(3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3)	15	<u>1</u> 3						
denominator	The equal parts of a whole or set.	58 is the denominator8	5 8						
numerator	The equal parts of a given fraction.	5 is the numerator8	<u>5</u> 8						

(Stevens et al., 2022)



Use word walls

difference

The result of subtracting or the result when comparing two numbers.

5 - 4 = 1

1 is the difference

horizontal line

A straight line that goes from left to right or right to left.



equivalent

Two numbers that have the same value.

$$\frac{2}{4}$$
 is equivalent to $\frac{1}{2}$

total

The result or sum when adding numbers.

5 + 7 = **12**

(mathspiral.com)



Use flash cards

addend	quotient	
divisor	dividend	- Jond Jend
factor	sum	sum product
product	difference	



Use glossaries



Glosario de Matemáticas

Juntar o agregar. Es una serie de pasos organizados que describe el proceso que se debe seguir, para dar solución a un problema específico. Un conjunto de objetos, imágenes o números alineados en columnas y filas. La medida de un lado de un objeto, generalmente el lado más corto.
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Dos semirrectas o segmentos de línea recta que comparten un punto final.
Un ángulo que mide menos de 90°.
Un ángulo que mide entre 90° y 180°.
Un ángulo que mide exactamente 90°.
La cantidad de unidades cuadradas que cubre una figura geométrica cerrada.
Un presupuesto es cuando la cantidad total de dinero gastado, ahorrado y compartido es igual al ingreso total.
Instrumento de medición que se utiliza para medir el peso o la carga.
Un número que se multiplica por un exponente.
La forma inferior de una figura tridimensional.



(mathspiral.com)



Use anchor charts







Use graphic organizers





Use games

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hexagon	rhombus	triangle	quadrilateral	rectangular prism

https://wordmint.com/public_puzzles/13055









Use discussion



add change compare decrease difference increase part put together subtract total



Use technology



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Math



Addition & Subtraction



Multiplication & Division



Numbers & Operations



Expressions & Equations



Geometry & Measurement



Statistics & Probability



Ratios & Proportional Relationships



Use math writing

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Use read-alouds









(Purpura et al., 2017)







Model and practice

Teacher	Let's work on addition. Today, let's think about addition as combining. What does it mean to combine?
Students	Put together.
Teacher	When we combine, we put things together. When you cook, you put
	ingredients together. For example, to make macaroni and cheese, you combine
	what?
Students	Macaroni noodles and cheese!
Teacher	That's right. You combine macaroni and cheese! Now, let's think about
	combining numbers. Look at this problem.
	(Show problem.)

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

Make sure students use mathematics vocabulary as much as adults do!









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Representations







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Model and Practice


PRACTICE

Guided practice

Planned examples

MODELING

Step-by-step explanation

Independent practice

SUPPORTS

Ask high-level and low-level questions

Eliciting frequent responses

Providing affirmative and corrective feedback



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Fluency







FLUENCY

Research and Information

Types of Fluency

Туре	Memorization?	
	Yes	No





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 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.

Fluency

provides less

stress on

working

memory.





Ease and accuracy

Memorization or automaticity



FLUENCY

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Types of Fluency

Туре	Memori	Memorization?	
	Yes	No	



List different types of fluency. Discuss whether they require memorization.



FLUENCY				
Fact Fluency				
Ad	dition	Subtraction		
Mu	Itiplication	Division		



Addition

100 addition facts

Single-digit addends sum to a single- or doubledigit number

5 (<u>addend</u>) <u>+ 4</u> (addend) 9 (<u>sum</u>)





Addition

Count one set, count another set, put sets together, count sum



2 + 3 = 5





Start with a set, add the other set, count sum

Addition



2 + 3 = 5



Addition

Parts put together into a total

Karly saw 4 cardinals and 5 blue jays. How many birds did Karly see?



Addition

An amount that increases or decreases

Premila had \$4. Then they earned \$5 for cleaning their room. How much money does Premila have now?



3 + 9 = ___

Addition

If you teach elementary:
What's a Total story to show addition?
If you teach secondary:
What's a Change/Join story to show addition?



100 subtraction facts

Subtrahend and difference are single-digit numbers and minuend is single- or double-digit number

16	(minuend)
<u>- 8</u>	(subtrahend
8	(<u>difference</u>)





Start with a set, take away from that set, count difference



5 - 3 = 2





Compare two sets, count difference



5 - 3 = 2



An amount that increases or decreases

Bronwyn had 9 cookies. Then they ate 2 of the cookies. How many cookies does Bronwyn have now?



Greater and lesser amounts compared for a difference

Rachel has 9 apples. Jodie has 2 apples. How many more apples does Rachel have? (How many fewer does Jodie have?)



9 - 5 =

subtraction

If you would chose beaches: What's a Change/Separate story to show subtraction? If you would chose mountains: What's a Difference story to show subtraction?



100 multiplication facts

Multiplication of single-digit factors results in a single- or double-digit product







Show the groups, show the amount for each group, count product



$3 \times 2 = 6$





Show the groups, show the amount for each group, count product









show a set, then multiply the set



$3 \times 2 = 6$



Groups multiplied by number in each group for a product

Rhiannon has 3 boxes of crayons. There are 8 crayons in each box. How many crayons does Rhiannon have altogether?



set multiplied by a number of times for a product

Vivienne had 8 stickers. Jessica had 3 times as many stickers as Vivienne. How many stickers did Jessica have?



$2 \times 5 =$

Multiplication

If you wear glasses: What's an Equal Groups story to show multiplication? If you don't wear glasses: What's a Comparison story to show multiplication?



Division

90 division facts

Divisor and quotient are single-digit numbers and dividend is single- or double-digit number

$8 \div 4 = 2$ (<u>dividend</u>) (<u>divisor</u>) (<u>quotient</u>)



Equal Groups

(Partitive Division)

Division

show the dividend, divide equally among divisor, count quotient





Equal Groups

(Quotative Division)

Division

show the dividend, make groups of the divisor, count groups





Groups multiplied by number in each group for a product

Stefanie has 12 pencils. She wants to share them equally among her 2 friends. How many pencils will each friend receive?

Nicole has 12 pencils. She put them into pencil pockets with 6 pencils each. How many pencil pockets did Nicole use?



12 ÷ 4 =



If you watch comedies: What's a Partitive story to show division? If you watch dramas: What's a Quotative story to show division?



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




DAILY BRIEF

Work on small sets of facts

Work on unknown facts (in combination with known facts)







Beach Ball





' plus 6 equals 13

2 plus 2 equals 4.



Dominoes





Spinner





Playing Cards





Wrap-Ups







Mobi Math







Flash Cards





Bingo

Math Bingo

Your teacher will call out a math problem. Quickly solve the problem. If you have the answer on your bingo card, cover it with a chip. The middle space is free! The first person to finish the pattern your teacher decides wins! (5 in a row, 4 corners, etc.)

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15	0	42	16	20
8	35		6	4
	2	40	27	7
50	10	30	48	14



3 times 1 equals...

2 plus 3 equals...



Magic Squares

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Magic Squares Board

- 1. Place the sum or product in the bottom right corner.
- 2. In the bottom row, create a fact with a sum or product of the bottom right corner.
- 3. In the right column, create a fact with a sum or product of the bottom right corner.
- 4. Create two columns with a sum or product of the bottom number.
- 5. Create two rows with a sum or product of the right column number.
- 6. Write the created facts below.







5	1	6
3	4	7
8	5	13









Cover, Copy, Compare

Cover, Copy, Compare			
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× 7		× 5	
42		40	
8		7	
× 8		× 7	
64		49	

File Folder	
6 + 3 = 9	
1 + 7 = 8	
6+4= 1 0	
7 + 3 =	
2 + 7 =	
5 + 6 =	
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6 + 0 =	
6 + 8 =	



Taped Problems

Taped Problems

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7	8	7
<u>× 8</u>	× 5	<u>× 5</u>



Games



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Technology





DAILY BRIEF

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FLUENCY			
Computational Fluency			
Addition	subtraction		
Multiplication	Division		



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







Partial Sums

Α. 74 + 18 80 +12 92

в. 725 + 365 1,000 80 Ĩ0 1,090

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Opposite Change

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Partial Differences

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45	-1
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232 - 164

Same Change

62 +3, 65 - 17 +3, -20 Α.

305 +4 309 в. 96 >-100 209

Add Up

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Partial Products

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Lattice





Partial Quotients



Lattice

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FLUENCY	
hat are your strengths?	
What are your opportunities for growth?	
Next month?	
Next year:	
WORD PROBLEMS	
Research and Information	





What are your strengths with fluency? What are your opportunities for growth?

What are your plans for next Monday? Next month? Next year?









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Word Problems




FLUENCY



What are your strengths?



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WORD PROBLEMS

Research and Information







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)





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Ineffective Strategies



1. Keywords tied to operations





Carmelita had 8 pencils **fewer** than Jenny. If Jenny had 18 pencils, how many pencils did Carmelita have?

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Description of Single-Step Word Problems (n = 132)										
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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)							
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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







WORD PROBLEMS

Attack Strategies

SOLVE

Study the problem Organize the information Line up a plan Verify the plan Examine the answer

> UPS Check Understand Plan Solve Check

R-CUBES

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

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Effective Strategies



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.

RICE

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

RIDGES

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



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.

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. <u>Review your answer</u>.



SOLVE

Study the problem. Organize the information. Line up the plan. Verify the plan. Examine the answer.

R-CUBES

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



PLAN How will you solve the problem?

SOLVE Set up and do the math!

CHECK

Does your answer make sense?

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Share your favorite attack strategy.



Teach an attack strategy

Teach about schemas





Schema and Definition	Equations and Graphic Organizers	Examples	Variations		
Total (Combine; Part-part- whole) Parts combined for a sum	P1 + P2 = T (part + part = total) (total) (part) (part)	Sum unknown: Lyle has 11 red apples and 18 green apples. How many apples does Lyle have altogether?	Part unknown: Lyle has 29 red and green apples. If 11 of the apples are red, how many green apples does Lyle have?		More than two parts: Lyle has 34 apples. Of the apples, 11 are red, 18 are green, and the rest are yellow. How many yellow apples does Lyle have?
Difference (Compare) Sets compared for a difference	B - s = D (bigger - smaller = difference) (jump) (greater - less = difference) (greater) (greater) (lesser) (difference)	Difference unknown: Sasha wrote 85 words in her essay, and Tabitha wrote 110 words. How many fewer words did Sasha write than Tabitha?	Bigger/greater un- known: Tabitha wrote 25 more words than Sasha. If Sasha wrote 85 words, how many words did Tabitha write?	Smaller/lesser unknown: Tabitha wrote 110 words in her essay. Sasha wrote 25 words fewer than Tabitha. How many words did Sasha write?	(None)
Change (Join; Separate) An amount that increases or decreases	ST +/- C = E (start +/- change = end) (start) (change) (end)	End (increase) unknown: Jorge had \$52. Then, he earned \$16 babysitting. How much money does Jorge have now?	Change (increase) unknown: Jorge had \$52. Then, he earned some money babysitting. Now, Jorge has \$68. How much did Jorge earn babysitting?	Start (increase) un- known: Jorge has some money, and then he earned \$16 for babysitting. Now, Jorge has \$68. How much money did he have to start with?	Multiple changes: Jorge had \$78. He stopped and bought a pair of shoes for \$42 and then he spent \$12 at the grocery. How much money does Jorge have now?
	(change) (beginning) (end)	End (decrease) unknown: Jorge had \$52. Then, he spent \$29 at the ballpark. How much money does Jorge have now?	Change (decrease) unknown: Jorge had \$52 but spent some money when he went to the ballpark. Now, Jorge has \$23. How much did Jorge spend at the ballpark?	Start (decrease) unknown: Jorge had some money. Then, he spent \$29 at the ballpark and has \$23 left. How much money did Jorge have before going to the ballpark?	



$R \times N = P$ $augus/(number/(product))$ $augus/(rate) = (product)$ $augus/(rate) = (product)$ $augus/(product) = (product)$	Product unknown: Maria bought 5 cartons of eggs with 12 eggs in each carton. How many eggs did Maria buy? Product unknown: Malik picked 7 flowers.	Groups unknown: Maria bought 60 eggs. The eggs were sold in cartons with 12 eggs each. How many cartons of eggs did Maria buy? Set unknown:	Number unknown: Maria bought 5 cartons of eggs for a total of 60 eggs. How many eggs were in each carton?	With rate: Maria bought 5 cartons of eggs. Each carton cost \$2.95. How much did Maria spend on eggs?
x T = P	Product unknown: Malik picked 7 flowers.	set unknown:	#1 I	
set) (multiplier/ (product) part)	Danica picked 3 times as many flowers. How many flowers did Danica pick?	Danica picked 3 times as many flowers as Malik. If Danica picked 21 flowers, how many flowers did Malik pick?	Malik picked 7 flowers. Danica picked 21 flowers. How many times more flowers did Danica pick?	With fraction: Malik picked 25 red and yellow flowers. 1f 1/5 of the flowers were yellow, how many were red?
	subject unknown: Sally typed 56 words in 2 minutes. How many words could Sally type in 7 minutes?	Object unknown: Sally typed 56 words in 2 minutes. How many minutes would it take Sally to type 192 words?		With percentage: Watson received an 80% on his science quiz. If the test had 40 questions, how many questions did Watson answer correctly?
	Base unknown: Justin baked cookies and brownies. The ratio of cookies to brownies was 3:5. If he baked 15 cookies, how many brownies did he bake?	Compared unknown: Justin baked cookies and brownies. The ratio of cookies to brownies was 3:5. If he baked 25 brownies, how many cookies did he bake?	Ratio unknown: Justin baked 15 cookies and 25 brownies. What's the ratio of cookies to brownies?	With unit rate: Paula bought 5 boxes of markers. She spent \$9.75. What is the price of one box of markers?
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Additive Schemas







"Are parts put together for a total?"



Total

P1 + P2 = T





Difference Compo

Greater and lesser amounts compared for a difference

L'Tanya has 10 pencils. Vickie has 4 pencils. How many more pencils does L'Tanya have?

L'Tanya has 6 more pencils than Vickie. If Vickie has 4 pencils, how many does L'Tanya have?

Vickie has 6 fewer pencils than L'Tanya. L'Tanya has 10 pencils. How many p<u>encils does Vickie have?</u>

Difference

Greater amount

Lesser amount



Total

"Are parts put together for a total?"

Difference

"Are amounts compared for a difference?"



Difference



Fuchs et al. (2008); Griffin & Jitendra (2009)



Change

An amount that increases or decreases

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

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

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





Separate

An amount that increases or decreases

Jenny baked 9 cookies. Then, she ate 3 of the cookies. How many cookies does Jenny have now?

Jenny baked 9 cookies. Then, she ate some of the cookies. Now, she has 6 cookies. How many cookies did Jenny eat?

Jenny baked some cookies. She ate 3 of the cookies and has 6 cookies left. How many cookies did Jenny bake?



End amount

Change

amount

Start amount

Change

Total

"Are parts put together for a total?"

Difference

"Are amounts compared for a difference?"

Change

"Does an amount increase or decrease?"







B. A package of bread has a mass of 623 grams. One slice of bread is removed from the package. The slice of bread has a mass of 55 grams. What is the mass, in grams, of the package of bread after the slice of bread is removed?
D. A photographer has a picture album that holds 100 pictures. The photographer fills 57/100 of the album with pictures of trees. She fills 30/100 of the album with pictures of animals. What fraction of the album is filled with either pictures of trees or animals?






Multiplicative Schemas

Comparison

Ratios/Proportions



Equal Groups

Array Vary

Groups multiplied by number in each group for a product

Evan has 2 boxes. There are 6 muffins in each box. How many muffins does Evan have?

Evan has 12 muffins. They want to place them equally into 2 boxes. How many muffins will Evan place in each box?

Evan has 12 muffins. They put them into boxes with 6 muffins each. How many boxes did Evan use?

Product

Number in each group

Groups



Equal Groups

"Are there groups with an equal number in each group?"









set multiplied by a number of times for a product

Joan ran 6 minutes. L'Tanya ran 4 times longer than Joan. How many minutes did L'Tanya run? Set Number of times Product



Equal Groups

"Are there groups with an equal number in each group?"

Comparison

"Is a set compared a number of times?"









Ratio/Proportion

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?



Equal Groups

"Are there groups with an equal number in each group?"

Comparison

"Is a set compared a number of times?"

Ratio/Proportion

"Are there relationships among quantities - if this, then this?"



Ratio/Proportion





(in et al. (2005



WORD PROBLEMS	Multiplicative Word Problems			
E. There are 8 people. They each have 4 oranges. Which expression shows how many oranges the people have altogether?	F. A farmer plants 4 rows of trees. Each row has an equal number of trees. There are 1,580 trees on the farm. What is the number of trees in each row?	Equal Groups	Comparison	Ratio/ Proportion
A. 8 + 4 B. 8 - 4 C. 8 × 4 D. 8 ÷ 4				, i
6.	н			
A store has two lamps for sale. Lamp A costs \$9. Lamp B costs 6 times more than Lamp A. How much is Lamp B ?	There are 3,726 students spending the summer at a camp. The students are divided equally into 9 groups. How many students are in each group?			
	MA+H			





WORD PROBLEMS	
Total	
Difference	
Change	
Equal Groups	
Comparison	
Compartson	
Ratios and Proportions	





Multi-Step Problems

NORD PROBLEMS	Multi-Step Word Problems
1. A frog wants to reach a pond that is 10 feet away. The frog hops 5 times. Each hop is 18 inches. How many more inches does the frog need to travel to reach the pond?	J. Three people play a video game. • Person A scores 3,793 points. • Person B scores 4,286 points. • Person C scores 5,941 points. How many more points do Person A and Person C have together than Person B ?
K. A store has a parking lot. There are 6 rows of parking spaces in the parking lot. There are 8 parking spaces in each row. There are 19 cars parked in the parking lot. How many parking spaces in the parking lot are empty?	 L. An egg farm packages 264 total cartons of eggs each month. The farm has 3 different sizes of cartons. The small carton hold 8 eggs, and 1/6 of the total cartons are small. The medium carton holds 12 eggs, and 2/3 of the total cartons are medium. The large carton holds 18 eggs, and the rest of the total cartons are large. Determine how many each size of carton is needed each month. Then determine how many eggs are needed to fill the 264 cartons.
	XA+H







Directive Problems



WORD PROBLEMS		Directive	Word Problems
0. What fraction, when added to 3/8, would make one whole?	P. Three shapes are listed in the table. Place a check mark to show what is true for each shape. Select one or more than one box per row.		
	Shape	Is a Quadrilateral	Has More Than 5 Sides
	rectangle		
	hexagon		
	square		
Q. Which coordinate pairs represent points on the graph? Select the two coordinate pairs. Boat Distance (U) = 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0	R. A fish tank is prism. The fis width of 2 fe volume, in cul	s in the shape of a h tank has a leng et, and a height o bic feet, of the fis	a right rectangular gth of 6 feet, a f 3 feet. What is the h tank?
			A+ +



WORD PROBLEMS



📥 What are your strengths?



What are your plans for next Monday? Next month? Next year?

INSTRUCTIONAL PLATFORM

Instructional Platform







What are your strengths with problem solving?

What are your opportunities for growth?

What are your plans for next Monday? Next month? Next year?



Students require modeling and practice on how to use the language of mathematics.

Students should use hands-on tools, virtual manipulatives, drawings, and other visuals to understand mathematics concepts and procedures.

Teachers should use systematic and explicit instruction to help students develop a strong foundation for specific mathematics skills.

Teachers should use fluency building activities to build counting fluency and fluency with the operations.

Students should learn how to set up and solve word problems by combining an attack strategy with a focus on word-problem schemas.





WORD PROBLEMS



What are your strengths?



What are your opportunities for growth?



What are your plans for next Monday? The Next month? Next year?

INSTRUCTIONAL PLATFORM

Instructional Platform





What's YOUR instructional platform? What are your plans for your teachers?







Where does WORD-PROBLEM SOLVING fit within your scope and sequence? What are your plans for your teachers?





Resources





Pirate Math Equation Quest



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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[®], 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









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All middle and high school students can become proficient in mathematics if:

- 1. Teachers help students to solve mathematics problems by using manipulatives and tools to bridge concrete to abstract and symbolic understandings of mathematics.
- 2. Students are asked to make their mathematics thinking transparent by talking about their solution process, drawing a picture, or making a graph and using mathematically correct language (for example, using the terms "numerator" and "denominator" rather than 'top number" and "bottom number" for fractions, telling how many groups of a divisor are in the dividend for division rather than saying 5 "goes into" 20 four times, or using the term "zero pairs" rather than "canceling out").
- Students are asked to read and critique one another's written responses to problems.
- 4. Teachers present "real-life" word problems for students to solve daily.
- Students are expected to solve multiplication and division facts regularly as a basis for working on rational numbers and algebraic problems.
 - 6. Students are expected to master the properties of operations (order of operations; commutative, associative, and distributive properties; multiplicative identity property; multiplicative inverse property).

 Students are given solved problems (correctly solved and incorrectly solved using common misconceptiona) to analyze and discuss how the problems were solved and where the solution strategy broke down for incorrectly solved problems.

> Teachers differentiate mathematics instruction for diverse learners (for example, struggling learners, English language learners, gifted students, and average achievers).

> > 9. Teachers verbalize (think aloud, describe steps for a strategy) explanations of concepts and steps for solving problems.

> > > Teachers collect data regularly to determine whether their students are benefiting from instruction and use the data to make informed instructional decisions for subsequent lessons.

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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 mathematics outcomes for students.

TEA

Module 9: Subtraction of Rational Numbers

Problem Sets

- A. <u>Proper fractions with like denominators and sums <1 (20)</u>
- B. Improper fractions with like denominators and sums >1 (10)
- C. Mixed numbers with like denominators and sums >1 (10)
- D. Proper fractions with unlike denominator and sums <1 (20)
- E. Improper fractions with unlike denominator and sums >1 (10)
- F. <u>Mixed numbers with unlike denominator and sums >1 (10)</u>
- G. Decimals with tenths; no regrouping (20)
- H. Decimals with tenths; regrouping (20)
- I. Decimals with hundredths; no regrouping (20)
- J. Decimals with hundredths; regrouping (20)
- K. Decimals with tenths and hundredths; mix of regrouping (20)

numerator

The term in a fraction that tells how many parts of a fraction.

$$\frac{2}{3}$$
 In these fractions, 2 is the numerator.

ones

The digit representing 1.

In the number 4.23, 4 is in the ones place.



https://spedsupportstage.tea.texas.gov/resource-library/instructional-routines-mathematics-intervention





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Problem Solving



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