4th Grade Math Skills Unit

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Unit Overview

This unit extends students problem solving skills on specific topics in order to make connections to using math in the real world. Students are taught above level math skills and then are asked to create thier own puzzles using those skills. The unit concludes with students using thier puzzles to create a game.

Transfer

Students will be able to independently use their learning to ...

-What kinds of long term, independent accomplilshments are desired?

-persevere to solve problems.

-have confidence in thier ability to solve problems.

-identify a variety of ways to solve problems

-make connections to the real world in math

Meaning

Understandings

Students will understand that ...

-What specifically do you want students to understand?

-What inferences should they make/grasp/realize?

-Apply math skills to real-world situations.

-they can follow a series of steps to solve problems.

-math is in the world around them.

Essential Questions

Students will keep considering ...

-What thought provoking questions will foster inquiry, meaning making and transfer?

-Where and how do your parents use math?

-Are there easier ways to solve math problems?

-What skills will help you solve math problems?

Application of Knowledge and Skill

Students will know...

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What facts and basic concepts should students know and be able to recall?

-the order of operations.

-disibility rules.

-how to use measure angles.

-how to program a computer game.

-how to find percents of money.

-how to create math puzzles.

-how to use money in real-world situations.

Students will be skilled at...

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What discrete skills and processes should students be able to use?

-problem solve

-think outside the box

-relate math to the real world

-work collaboratively

Academic Vocabulary

Multiply Product Divide Quotient Remainder Array Unknown Equal shares Factor Variable Pattern Even Odd Round Unit fraction Equivalent Whole number Fraction bar Numerator Denominator

Elapsed time Open number line Gram Kilogram Liter Scale (of graph) Unit square Area Perimeter Rhombus Quadrilaterals Formula Estimation Factor pairs Multiples Prime Composite Sequence Area model Equation Equivalent fractions Mixed number Improper fraction Decimal Hundredths Tenths Pound Ounce Conversion Table Line plot Angle Ray Endpoint Degrees Protractor Points Lines Line segments Right angle Acute angle Obtuse angle Perpendicular lines Parallel lines Right triangle Line of symmetry Parentheses Brackets Braces Numerical expression Evaluate Powers of 10

Volume Origin formula Ratio diagram Percent Greatest Common Factor Least Common Multiple Distributive Property Positive Number Negative Number Opposite Inequality Exponents Order of operations Substitution

Decimal point Thousandths

variable Median Mode Range Mean

Learning Goal 1

Apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

MA.K-12.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
MA.3.OA.A	Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division.
MA.K-12.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
MA.5.OA.A.1	Use parentheses, brackets, or braces in numerical expressions, and evaluate expressions with these symbols.
MA.K-12.3	Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
MA.3.OA.A.3	Use multiplication and division within 100 to solve word problems in situations involving equal groups, arrays, and measurement quantities, e.g., by using drawings and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem.
MA.K-12.4	Model with mathematics.
MA.K-12.5	Use appropriate tools strategically.
MA.3.OA.B	Understand properties of multiplication and the relationship between multiplication and division.
MA.K-12.6	Attend to precision.
MA.K-12.7	Look for and make use of structure.

MA.K-12.8	Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.
MA.2.NBT.A.4	Compare two three-digit numbers based on meanings of the hundreds, tens, and ones digits, using >, =, and < symbols to record the results of comparisons.
MA.6.EE.A.1	Write and evaluate numerical expressions involving whole-number exponents.
MA.1.G.A.1	Distinguish between defining attributes (e.g., triangles are closed and three-sided) versus non-defining attributes (e.g., color, orientation, overall size); build and draw shapes to possess defining attributes.
MA.2.G.A.1	Recognize and draw shapes having specified attributes, such as a given number of angles or a given number of equal faces. Identify triangles, quadrilaterals, pentagons, hexagons, and cubes.
MA.2.G.A.2	Partition a rectangle into rows and columns of same-size squares and count to find the total number of them.
MA.4.MD.A.2	Use the four operations to solve word problems involving distances, intervals of time, liquid volumes, masses of objects, and money, including problems involving simple fractions or decimals, and problems that require expressing measurements given in a larger unit in terms of a smaller unit. Represent measurement quantities using diagrams such as number line diagrams that feature a measurement scale.
MA.4.MD.C.5	Recognize angles as geometric shapes that are formed wherever two rays share a common endpoint, and understand concepts of angle measurement:
MA.4.MD.C.6	Measure angles in whole-number degrees using a protractor. Sketch angles of specified measure.
MA.4.MD.C.7	Recognize angle measure as additive. When an angle is decomposed into non-overlapping parts, the angle measure of the whole is the sum of the angle measures of the parts. Solve addition and subtraction problems to find unknown angles on a diagram in real world and mathematical problems, e.g., by using an equation with a symbol for the unknown angle measure.

Target 1

Categorize numbers according to divisibility rules.

Target 2

Target 2Generate and test equations using the order of operations.

Target 3

Target 3Analyze and create code for a computer program.

Target 4

Design a golf course hole using angles.

Target 5

Apply percents to a shopping experience.

Summative Assessment

Escape the Classroom Activity

21st Century Life and Careers Select all applicable standards from the applicable standards

CRP.K-12.CRP2	Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
CRP.K-12.CRP4	Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.
CRP.K-12.CRP6	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
CRP.K-12.CRP8	Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them
CRP.K-12.CRP11	Use technology to enhance productivity.
CRP.K-12.CRP12	Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.

Formative Assessment and Performance Opportunities

Teacher observation

Class Participation

Class Discussion

Classwork

Debate/Defend Work

Partner work

Differentiation/Enrichment

As this is a TAG class, rigor is already increased. Students have the opportunity to participate in:

invention convention

Math night

Noetic Math Competition

Creating their own math problems

Brainsteasers

Unit Resources