

DesCartes: A Continuum of Learning®

Mathematics

Goal: Operations and Algebraic Thinking

RIT Score Range: 221 - 230 Statements Last Updated: Mar 10, 2014

| Skills and Concepts to Enhance (73% Probability*) 211 - 220 | Skills and Concepts to Develop (50% Probability*) 221 - 230 | Skills and Concepts to Introduce (27% Probability*) 231 - 240 |
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| Represent and Solve Problems | Represent and Solve Problems | Represent and Solve Problems |
| Uses rounding to estimate answers to real-world problems involving multiplication and division of numbers less than 100 (whole numbers only) | Uses rounding to estimate answers to real-world problems involving multiplication and division of numbers less than 100 (whole numbers only) | Models algorithms using place value concepts (multiplication and division with whole numbers) Evaluates numerical expressions using the order of operations (whole numbers only) Solves multiple-step problems involving proportions |
| Uses rounding to estimate answers to real-world problems involving numbers less than 1000 with multiplication and division (whole numbers only) | numbers less than 4000 with moutinification and division (whole numbers | |
| Models whole number multiplication and division algorithms (e.g., uses physical materials to show 4 groups of 3 objects) | | l · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| Performs mental computation with division | Solves complex word problems involving whole number division with | Solves problems comparing unit prices |
| Solves whole number word problems with division over 10 x 10 | remainder (e.g., 2-step, 2-digit divisor) | Uses pictures to represent problems |
| Solves complex word problems involving whole number division with remainder (e.g., 2-step, 2-digit divisor) | Solves real-world multiple-step problems involving whole numbers Demonstrates an understanding of multiple properties | |
| Solves real-world problems involving 2-step multiple operations, whole numbers only | Represents relationships of quantities in the form of an expression Solves open sentences with calculations on both sides of the sentence | |
| Solves real-world multiple-step problems involving whole numbers | Applies algebraic methods to solve theoretical problems | |
| Predicts the relative size of the answer when multiplying whole numbers | Applies algebraic methods to solve real-world problems | |
| Demonstrates an understanding of the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction | Uses pictures to represent problems Uses multiple number theory concepts to solve problems (e.g., factors, distributions) | |
| Demonstrates an understanding of the commutative property of multiplication with simple problems | digits, odd/even, divisibility) | |
| Demonstrates an understanding of the associative property of multiplication | | |
| Demonstrates an understanding of the distributive property of multiplication by decomposing a term | | |
| Understands equivalence and extends the concept to number sentences involving variables (e.g., 8 + 2 = [] + 2) | | |
| Uses algebraic reasoning to solve problems involving equality relationships | | |
| Uses simple linear equations to represent problem situations | | |
| Solves simple open sentences with missing factors (numbers over 100) | | |
| Solves open sentences using the distributive property | | |
| Solves open sentences with calculations on both sides of the sentence | | |
| Applies algebraic methods to solve theoretical problems | | |
| Uses pictures to represent problems | | |
| Translates a 2-step problem to a symbolic expression or equation | | |
| Analyze Patterns and Relationships | Analyze Patterns and Relationships | Analyze Patterns and Relationships |
| • Completes a function table given a simple rule (e.g., x + 2) | • Extends a growing pattern of triangular numbers, defined by objects or | |
| Determines the rule given a simple real-world function table (e.g., # Dogs compared to # Legs) | diagrams • Looks for a growing pattern to solve a problem | |
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| Analyze Patterns and Relationships | Analyze Patterns and Relationships | Analyze Patterns and Relationships |
| Looks for a growing pattern to solve a problemDetermines factors of whole numbersIdentifies numbers as prime | Uses factor and multiple concepts to solve simple problems | |
| New Vocabulary: None | New Vocabulary: None | New Vocabulary: None |
| New Signs and Symbols: () parenthesis around an integer, { } set notation | New Signs and Symbols: None | New Signs and Symbols: None |

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