





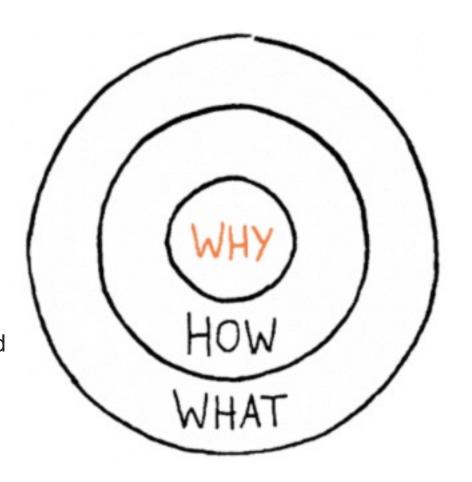
Objectives

Central Idea

Transforming Mathematics teaching and learning through values, coaching, and professional development fosters a supportive and effective educational environment.

Lines of Inquiry

- **1. Exploration of Core Values**: How do core values influence and guide the transformation of teaching practices in Mathematics?
- 2. Role of Coaching and Mentoring: In what ways can coaching and mentoring support teachers in adopting and sustaining new teaching strategies?
- 3. Impact of Professional Learning and Personal Inquiries: How do ongoing professional learning and personal inquiries contribute to continuous improvement in Mathematics education?





Victorian Teaching Academy Numeracy Suite:

- Leading Mathematics Planning
- Student-Centred Assessment in Mathematics
- Leading Improvement in Mathematics Teaching

MAV Consultant - Di Liddell Books

- Peter Sullivan Leading
 Improvement in Mathematics
 Teaching and Learning
- Anything by Di Siemon



- IB PYP school
- 800 students
- Approximately 60 teaching staff and 24 ES staff
- Out of the classroom 1 day, transitioning to full time out as Leading Teacher and then AP.

- Coaching and mentoring teachers
- 3-4 PL a term with whole staff
- Modelling lessons, observing lessons
- Attending planning
- Running Learning Leader's
 PL
- Since 2021



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Our guiding principles

Our approach to Mathematics teaching and learning at Milgate Primary School is grounded in four fundamental principles:

Principle 1:	Students need to think in order to learn.
Principle 2:	Positive mathematical identities are formed when each student has an equitable access to mathematics.
Principle 3:	Units are informed by data, curriculum, and professional learning.
Principle 4:	Our role is to provide multiple experiences for students to construct conceptual understandings.

The 'What'

THEN

- Three-star tasks
- Reciprocal Teaching on Friday
- Curriculum covered of content descriptors
- Isolated strands
- Mathematics anxiety & over compensation
- Separate to IB approach
- No stretch, no support, not 'point of need'
- Streaming without boundaries
- I do, we do, you do.



NOW

- Conceptual links
- Units of work (conceptual, transdisciplinary or big ideas)
- Launch, Explore, Summarise
- Student-centred inquiry
- Building teachers' pedagogical and content knowledge
- Clear planning approach

The 'How' - Creating Units

The 'How' PYP Learning Continue In order for my students to

PYP Learning Continuum | Victorian Curriculum

In order for my students to partition numbers using place value, they need to understand that numbers can be constructed in multiple ways.

In order for my students to construct displays appropriate for data type, they need to understand that different graph forms highlight different aspects of data more efficiently.

The 'How'

Specified & Additional Concepts in Mathematics

VC Content Descriptor: Count collections to 100 by partitioning numbers using place value (VCMNA088)

Key Concept: Form	Key Concept: Function	Key Concept: Connection
	Numbers can be partitioned in a variety of ways to enable efficient counting.	

The 'How'

- Skills mapped conceptually to create units.

Victorian Curriculum Strand	l: Number & Algebra	PYP Learning Continuum: Number / Pattern & Function			
Achievement Standard	Content Descriptors	PYP Conceptual Understandings	Key / Related Concepts		
In order for students to		Students will understand			
Students solve simple problems involving the four operations using a range of strategies including digital technology.	Solve problems involving multiplication of large numbers by one- or two-digit numbers using efficient mental, written strategies and appropriate digital technologies (VCMNA183) Solve problems involving division by a one digit number, including those that result in a remainder (VCMNA184) Use efficient mental and written strategies and apply appropriate digital technologies to solve problems (VCMNA185)	Function: That mathematical problems can be solved in a variety of ways. (process, place value: remainders/decimals) Perspective: That the most efficient strategy to solve problems are unique to individuals. (flexibility, exploration)	Key Concept/s: Perspective (Why is this strategy best for me?) Function (What happens when I have a remainder?) Related Concepts: Flexibility Representation Balance Exploration Process Method Relationships Speed Number Place Value		

Types of units

Trust the Count

Students explore the concept of **form** by recognising small collections without counting and modelling small collections in a variety of ways. Over time, they will connect number names to numerals and explore the concept of **function** by exploring the use of numbers in the real world.

(Trust the Count)

- → Numbers can be constructed and represented in a variety of ways (form, representation)
- → Numbers are a naming system (function)
- → There is an order to counting (function)

Key Concepts: form, function **Related Concepts:** representation

Relationships

Through the conceptual lens of relationships students will investigate fractions, division and multiplication together, fractions, time and angles together and addition and subtraction together. They will start to articulate and explain the connections they identify.

How We Express Ourselves

Students will explore the function of data displays and the different ways we organise information.

- → scale can represent different quantities in graphs
- → that probability is based on experimental events in daily life
- data can be collected, organised, displayed and analysed in various ways

Key Concepts: Function

Related Concepts: Information & Organisation

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The 'How'

Foundation

Attributes

→ Subitise small collections of objects (VCMNA071) (trust the count)

Causation

- → Compare, order and make correspondences between collections, initially to 20, and explain reasoning (VCMNA072) (trust the count)
- → Represent practical situations to model addition and subtraction (VCMNA073) (trust the count)

Pattern

→ Sort and classify familiar objects and explain the basis for these classifications, and copy, continue and create patterns with objects and drawings (VCMNA076) (algebraic thinking)

Year 1

Sequence

- → Count collections to 100 by partitioning numbers using place value (VCMNA088) (trust the count and place value)
- → Represent and solve simple addition and subtraction problems using a range of strategies including counting on, partitioning and rearranging parts (VCMNA089) (trust the count and place value)

Causation

→ Recognise, describe and order Australian coins according to their value (VCMNA092)

Pattern

→ Investigate and describe number patterns formed by skip counting and patterns with objects (VCMNA093) (algebraic thinking)

Year 2

- Sequence

 → Investig
- → Investigate number sequences, initially those increasing and decreasing by twos, threes, <u>fives</u> and ten from any starting point, then moving to other sequences (VCMNA103) (trust the count & place value)
- → Group, partition and rearrange collections up to 1000 in hundreds, tens and ones to facilitate more efficient counting (VCMNA105) (place value)

Causation

- → Explore the connection between addition and subtraction (VCMNA106) (trust the count and algebraic thinking)
- → Solve simple addition and subtraction problems using a range of efficient mental and written strategies (VCMNA107) (trust the count)

Pattern

- → Describe patterns with numbers and identify missing elements (VCMNA112) (algebraic thinking)
- → Solve problems by using number sentences for addition or subtraction (VCMNA113) (algebraic thinking)
- → Apply repetition in arithmetic operations, including multiplication as repeated addition and division as repeated subtraction (VCMNA114) (algebraic thinking)

Planning - unit

CURRICULUM	LEARN	ASSESS	DATA	GOALS	SEQUENCE		
CON Analyse and understa	TENT and the mathematics		Stand the students	UNIT Form a data-informed unit trajectory			
Using curriculum and eduthe key mathematical of learning, skills, and vocable Ask yourself: Do I understand the math What is the progression of	ulary. nematics involved?	carefully chosen by teach knowledge, skills and affe	ective learning. Conduct a am to unpack and identify	conduct a assessment methods, such as development didentify rubrics and/or checklists and plan for inform			
How are students moving What are the important v	J J	What do the students cur How do the students curr solving in this context? What are the students' cu towards mathematics? Where do the students sit this concept?	ently approach problem	students to transfer their	equent opportunities for knowledge? cunities for students to		

The 'How' - Learning Experiences

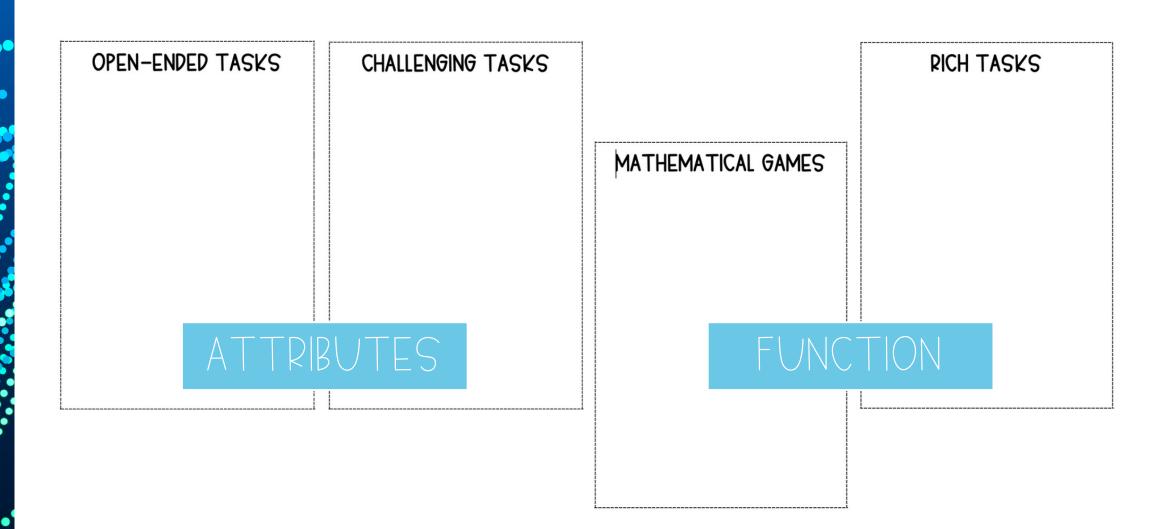
Student-centred inquiry learning experiences: Students learning through thinking and doing.

OPEN-ENDED TASKS	CHALLENGING TASKS		RICH TASKS
		MATHEMATICAL GAMES	

Language

better central idea

Different approaches to teaching Mathematics are interrelated, however there are nuances in their attributes that allow for definitions to be formed.





Which task?

- Rich?
- Open-ended?
- Challenging?

Make your own timetable to show a new student what happens in a typical school week.

Redesign this classroom using the same furniture as we have already. Present your design on a map or plan drawn to scale.

An easy way to add 9 is to add 10 and take away 1. Using a similar strategy what other numbers might I add or subtract in this way?

One of your friends, Fred, asked you to help him with his addition calculations. He has done some questions like this:

$$1.1 + 0.2 = 1.3$$

$$2.3 + 4 = 2.7$$

$$6 + 3.7 = 9.7$$

$$6.9 + 2 = 7.1$$

What are some other questions that Fred might get wrong? What advice would you give Fred to help him?



Jigsaw Activity

- Professional readings
- Key attributes
- Redefined and resorted the activities

design alone, does not guarantee that all students will achieve their learning potential [8,9] Classroom norms that respect differences among learners and encourage individual autonomy are integral to classrooms where differentiated instruction is practised and are reflective of student-centered teaching approaches [1,3,7]. Maintaining an optimal balance between autonomy and teacher support as students with diverse needs work on the same task is acknowledged as an aspect of quality teaching [10,11], but also as one of the most difficult aspects of teaching to implement in the classroom [3]. Studies of teaching oaches for differentiating mathematics instruction have focused on teachers of middle school [1] and high school [3], but we could not find any that have explicitly examined he instructional beliefs or practices of teachers working with students in the first three years of school. Just as rare is research reporting the practices of early years teachers who differentiate mathematics instruction through a focus on challenging tasks despite current curriculum documents, educational systems, and reports of international comparative studies espousing the benefits of such approaches [5,12,13].

The current study was designed to address this gap in the research literature. Our aim was to develop a better understanding of the beliefs and reported practices of primary teachers teaching students in the first three years of school (Foundation to Grade 2). These teachers participated in professional learning focused on challenging tasks differentiated through their open-ended design and the use of enabling and extending prompts. The findings may assist other teachers to embrace challenging tasks and will have implications

mphasizing challenge have social, psychological, and didactical implications [7,14]. In the next sections, we discuss literature highlighting the importance of challenge and struggle for student learning of mathematics and present our perspective on tasks that have the potential to achieve an optimal level of challenge and engagement for students with diverse needs. Integral to this discussion are teachers' beliefs about how students learn mathematics and the nature of instruction that is reflective of such beliefs. Following this, we introduce our instructional approach and the research project in which this stud

2.1. Challenge, Struggle, and the Design of Mathematical Tasks

In the past few decades, the construct of challenge has become an essential elemen of mathematics instructional approaches that promote conceptual understanding, learner autonomy and mathematical reasoning [7,15]. Despite growing emphasis on challenge as a concerns have been raised by practitioners and policymakers about whether such an proaches benefit students with specialized academic needs, with some perceiving that hallenging mathematics is solely for gifted students [7,18]. However, there is a grov ing body of research utilizing large sets of student achievement data that now co conceptually demanding instructional approaches can meet the needs of div of students [18,19]. In a study designed to examine whether exposure to ing practices emphasizing conceptually based and cognitively demand vould be effective for a diverse group of upper primary students (r United States, Blazar and Archer [18] found that "when implemente classrooms ... the use of conceptually based teaching shows be (p. 306). Mathematical tasks and lessons that require students to

reasoning and make connections among concepts, procedure considered necessary for conceptual understanding. There is indicating that "students are more likely to make sense of n what they have learned if they work on tasks that are approx

WHAT MAKES A RICH TASK?

Pete Griffin responds to an editorial request to document an INSET he provided on rich tasks.

"To do the right thing is not enough; to be comp tent one must also know what one is doing and why it is right". Von Glaserfeld, 1987.

This quote is about student learning and is often used (well, at least, I have often used it) to convey one of what I consider to be the main principles of assessment for learning – i.e. that learners needs be aware of their own learning

A common view seems to be emerging in the nathematics education world at the moment the the development and use of 'rich tasks' is a good thing, a 'right thing' to do. We have many ex of these 'rich tasks' and, as teachers; we are encouraged to use them whenever we can.

As learners, professional learners ourselves it right that we don't just accept this uncritically, but question what a rich task is and why we should value them. This article is my own reflection on the nature and value of rich tasks and draws on a n which I was asked to run for Somers heads of department last year. So what exactly makes a rich task? What are we

referring to when we use this phrase? Wherein lie

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Use rich collaborative tasks.

Develop effective questioning.
 Use cooperative small group work.
 Emphasise methods rather than answers.

Use technology in appropriate ways.

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pedagogic principles that makes for richness. I am struck, however, by the rather circular argument that one of these 'principles' is the use of 'rich

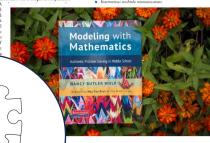
collaborative tasks'! Maybe it is the collaborati

that is really being highlighted here and that provides me with a very helpful question to work

on in my own practice - i.e. whether collaboration

And then (also in 'Improving Learning in

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Five principles of educationally rich mathematical games







equally valuable. How might teachers decide which specific games to introduce? The author

As educators, we enjoy playing and teaching mathematical games. We spend many hours lost in conversation attempting to create new, educationally-rich games for our students. Once an idea for a game germinates, we play it ourselves and continually refine it until we feel it is classroom ready. After introducing the game to our students, we tinker with it some more. We modify the rules based on student feedback, and observations. This cycle of invention, feedback, and refinement, maintains our energy and motivation to keep attempting to develop new games for our students. However, are our newly created games truly original? Our 'new' mathematical games may be simply built on the principles

mathematical games tend to be a derivative of mechanisms and representations that are used within existing activities. Gough (2004) argued it is highly unusual tend to cycle through a similar set of processes and ideas. We argue that an understanding of these under lying commonalities can further assist us and other educators with both the creation of new games, as well as the evaluation of existing games. This invites the question: What principles do educationally-rich math ematical games have in common? The purpose of this article is to shed light on this question by presenting five principles of educationally-rich mathematical game that emerged from our experiences as game designers, lassroom teachers and a review of relevant lite

Principle 1: Students are engaged	Mathematical games should be engaging, enjoyable and generate mathematical discussion.
Principle 2: Skill v luck	Mathematical games should appropriately balance skill and luck.
Principle 3: Mathematics is central	Exploring important mathematical concepts and practising important skills should be central to game strategy and gameplay.
Principle 4: Flexibility for learning and teaching	Mathematical games should be easily differentiated to cater for a variety of learners, and modifiable to cater to a variety of concepts.
Principle 5:	Mathematical games should provide opportunities for fostering home-school connections.

CHALLENGING TASKS	OPEN-ENDED TASKS	RICH TASKS
	ACCESS TO ALL LEARNERS	
Bui	d on what students already know	v .
More than one corre	ect answer and/or more than on	e solution pathway.
	Take time to solve.	
DEPTH - Foster	connections between mathema	tics concepts.
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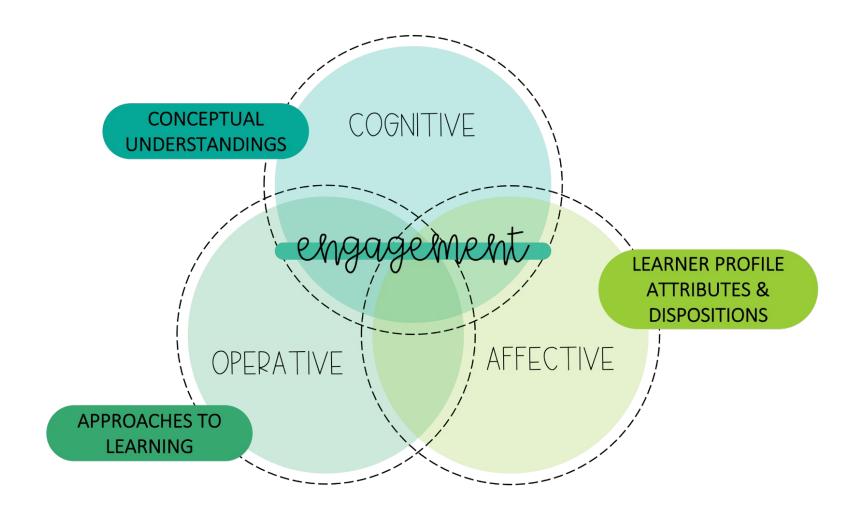
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Exposes and discusses misconceptions.

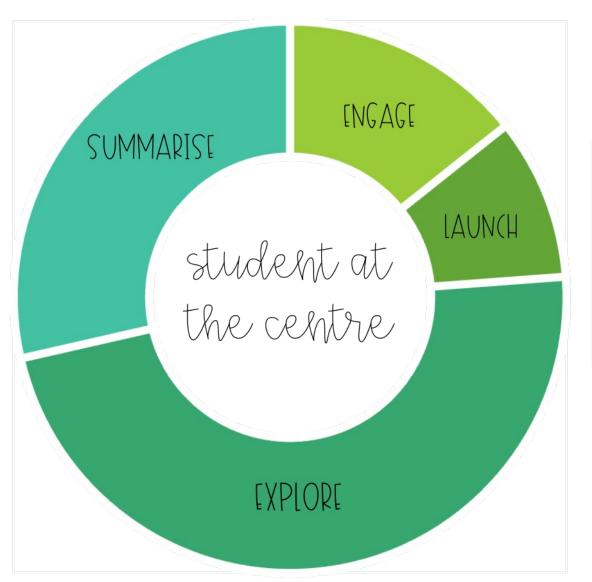
Productive struggle / zone of confusion (students do not initially know how to solve the problem)

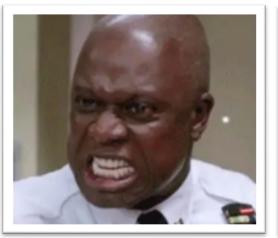
Real-world connections / applications.

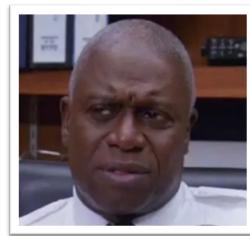


Learning About (cognitive)	Learning To (operative)	Learning to Be (affective)
How does the place value system allow us to represent and compare numbers?	Can you use models to explore the place value system?	How can we be self-managers and use strategies to work through challenges?

The 'How' - Lesson Structure



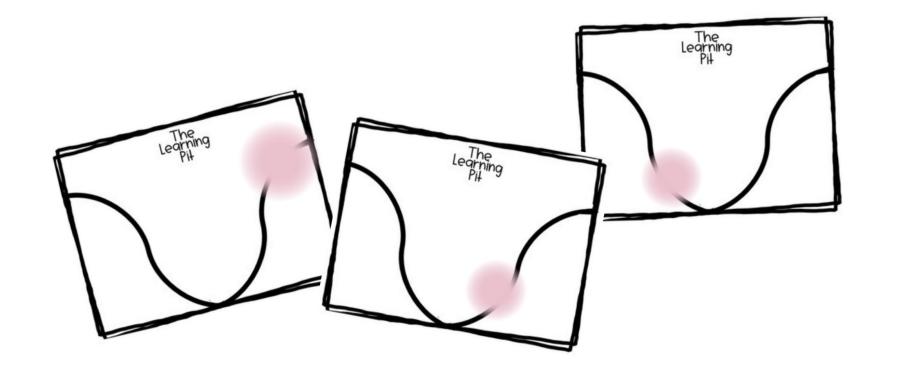




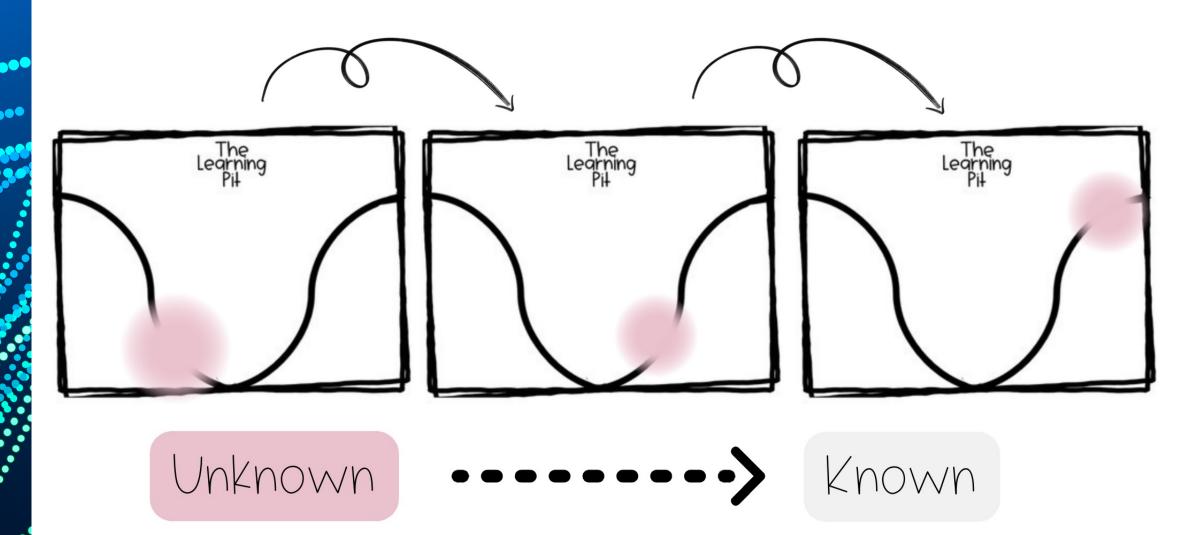
What is learning?

Simple ---





What is learning?



Values, Ideals & Criteria

Our values impact, and are communicated through, the learning experiences we create.

Feeling relaxed or having fun when doing maths.

I value ...

Working hard when doing maths

Remembering maths ideas, concepts, rules or formulae.

I value ...

Creating maths ideas, concepts rules or formulae.

THINKING ROUTINE: TUG OF WAR

what would our ideal math unit learning experience look, sound, feel like? challenging task over a few days. Relly vertonel. Well designed enabling o extending prants Planning adoptations on we teach the will.

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- · Differentiated
- · Varied
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- · Manipulatives.
- "Rich in resources
- · Collaboration

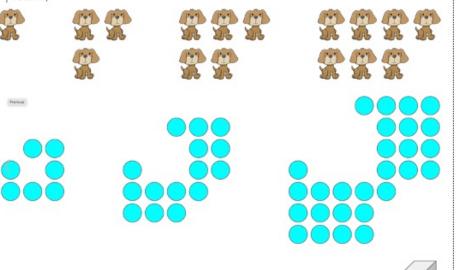
- students active teachers are reaming or with forms group
- . Math language
- · Small four groups
- · Discovery
- · Reflection.
- · Purposeful
- ·Student voice
- · questions
- · Connection to experience steal world

individual focus what would our ideal math unit learning experience look, sound, feel like?

what would our criteria be for a student-centred learning experience?

Scenario: To support students in uncovering patterns and developing equations, use the See—Think—Wonder routine with the following patterns. First, show students a pattern and ask, "What do you see?" In response, students describe patterns and talk about how they would count the objects. Then, move on to asking, "What do you think?" Instruct students to think about what the next step in the pattern would be. This will lead to the question, "What do you wonder?" Students might wonder about what the 100th step would look like and how they could find out. This discussion will lead students to a conceptual understanding of equations.

Prompt: What would step 43 be? (Or if you give them the 43rd step, \underline{What} is the equation?)



thinking routine: does it fit?

Fit your options to the Ideal

Reflect on what our Ideal Mathematics teaching and learning would look like and then evaluate each learning experience against it. Ask yourself: How well does each experience fit with the ideal situation? Do you need to adapt anything to make it fit?

Fit your options to the Orderta

Reflect on our criteria or attributes that we feel are important to consider and then evaluate each experience against those. Ask yourself: How well aloes each experience fit the criteria? Do you need to adapt anything to make it fit?

Fit your options to the Situation

Identify the realities and constraints of your situation, such as resources and time, and then evaluate each experience against them. Ask yourself: How well does each option fit the realities of the situation? Do you need to adapt anything to make it fit?

Does it fit our ideals?

Does it fit our criteria?

Does if fit your situation?

Does if fit your values?

within my own personal values? Do you need to adapt anything to make it fit?

Lesson Structure

What to teach, and what to leave unknown ...

 Each student-centred inquiry experience has a breakdown of what it looks like in relation to the lesson structure.

Mathematical Games











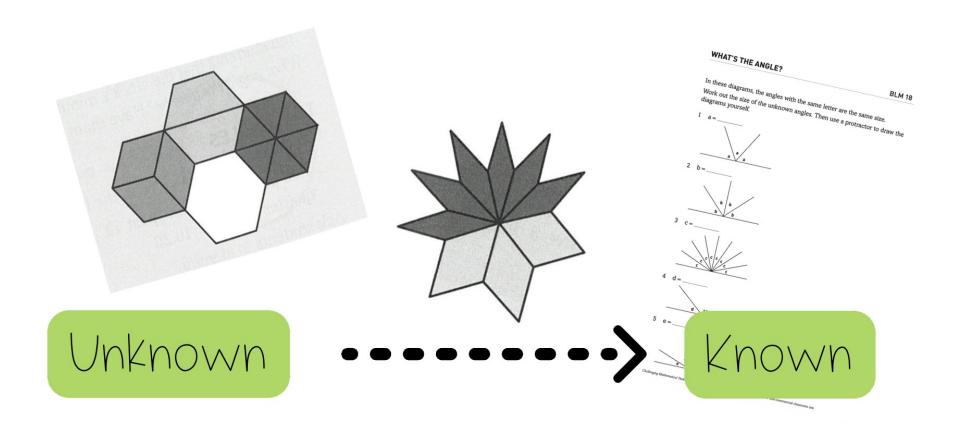


Lesson Step	Questions to Ask Yourself	Might Look Like			
Launch	Are students playing the game for skill practice or to identify strategies to improve the chances of winning? Is this clear to the students?	The teacher making the learning intentions clear to the students (skill or strategy?). They model how to play the game so that there is no confusion. They explain each player's role in the game. The student is observing the game being modelled and asking clarifying questions if needed.			
Explore	Are students explaining their thinking as they play OR showing their working out?	The teacher playing with students' to target teaching at point of need or roving to provoke thinking of students and ensure			
	Is anyone demonstrating something that could be explored in the summarise? Are the players monitoring each other and making sure the other is correct in their calculations?	The students playing and justifying the choices they are making based on skill or probability.			
Summarise	What is it that you want to highlight? Skill? Strategies for winning? Strategies of solving a problem?	The teacher is scaffolding the chosen work samples to demonstrate. They are asking questions, paraphrasing the students' explanation and explicitly teaching a skill that needs to be developed. The students are listening and learning from the students showcasing their progress. They could be asking clarifying questions and identifying strategies they may like to explore further in the next session.			
Supplementary Tasks	Do the students need to play the game a couple of times to achieve the learning intentions? Is there an opportunity for students to analyse the probability of the game?				

Launch, Explore, Summarise in a week

The perpetual struggle Different challenging task every day Waiting for students to complete the task.

Supplementary tasks



STUDENT AGENCY

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SELF-REGULATION

META (OGNITION

Planning - learning experience

ANTICIPATE PHASE

- What are the learning opportunities in this task?
- What do we want to reveal to the students? Scaffold & sequence.
- What are the barriers? If you don't need them to draw a table, give them the table.

TRIAL
THE
TASK

L,E,S & HITS

	Setting goals	Structuring lessons	Explicit teaching	Worked examples	Collaborative learning	Multiple exposures	Questioning	Feedback	Metacognitive strategies	Differentiated teaching
ANTICIPATE										
ENGAGE										
LAUNCH										
EXPLORE										
SUMMARISE										

Coaching & Mentoring

- Lot's of surveys
- Signing up vs. being selected.
- Pre observation meetings
- Post observation feedback
- Personal inquiries
 - Teacher's not understanding something
 - · Teachers noticing a problem in the approach and wanting to solve it
 - Doing it in a cycle what is the problem, what could the solution be, test and measure.
- Attending planning sessions and noticing misconceptions in the dialogue.
- Open and honest communication both ways.

Let's review ...

The what

Units

Learning Experiences

Lesson Structure

Planning

The how

Professional Learning

Learning Experiences

Lesson Structure

Planning

Surveys

Thinking Routines

Lots of discussions and cocreating of ideals and principles.



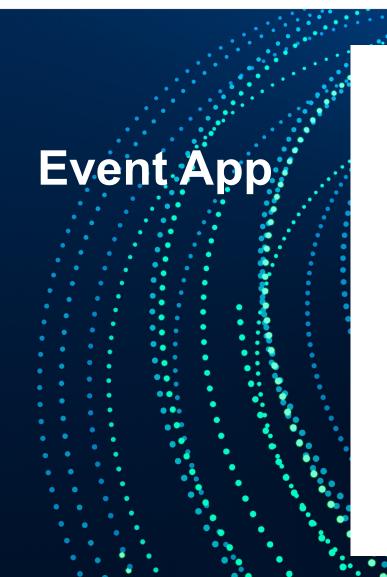
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Questions









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