Fourth Grade Mathematics Newsletter

Marking Period 3, Part 2

MT	Learning Goals by Measurement Topic (MT) Students will be able to		
Number and Operations - Fractions	 multiply a fraction by a whole number. solve word problems involving multiplying a fraction by a whole number. 		
Measurement and Data	use addition, subtraction, and multiplication of fractions to solve word problems involving distance, time, volume, mass, and money.		
Geometry	 draw and identify points, lines, line segments, rays, perpendicular lines, and parallel lines. draw and identify lines of symmetry in two-dimensional shapes. 		

Thinking and Academic Success Skills (TASS)					
	<u>It is</u>	In mathematics, students will			
Evaluation	weighing evidence, examining claims, and questioning facts to make judgments based upon criteria.	 choose a strategy to multiply a fraction by a whole number and justify the choice. decide what worked and what didn't work with a particular strategy when solving word problems. 			
Metacognition	aware of one's own thinking and having	 connect prior knowledge of basic multiplication facts to multiply a fraction by a whole number. share and exchange strategies used to solve word problems. discuss the thought process used to come to a solution. 			

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Learning Experiences by Measurement Topic (MT)				
MT	In school, your child will	At home, your child can		
Number and Operations - Fractions	 apply knowledge of unit fractions (¹/₂, ¹/₃, ¹/₄ etc.), to use repeated addition to show multiplication by a whole number. Example: ¹/₂ x 4 = ¹/₂ + ¹/₂ + ¹/₂ + ¹/₂ = ⁴/₂ multiply a fraction by a whole number to solve word problems and explain the answer. 	 ask questions to encourage thinking about solving word problems that involve multiplying a fraction by a whole number. <u>Example:</u> In your family there are three children. Each child read ⁵/₆ of an hour. How many total hours did everyone read? 		
Measurement and Data	relate the intervals on a clock to fractions of a circle and solve word problems involving time. Example: If a parent-teacher conference lasts 15 minutes, how many conferences can a teacher conduct in an hour and a half?	 ask questions to encourage thinking about solving word problems that involve fractions and measurement. <u>Example</u>: Bus drivers work 4 ¹/₄ hours per day. How long do they work in five days? compare the net weight or capacity found on various food product labels, and then convert from larger units to smaller units. <u>Example</u>: I ³/₄ lbs = 28 oz. 		
Geometry	 use shapes, geoboards (a wooden board with pegs) and rubber bands, pattern blocks, maps, and other materials to identify, analyze, and create geometric features (lines, line segments, rays, angles, perpendicular and parallel lines). 	 play a version of the game "I Spy" to reinforce geometric vocabulary. Locate a pair of parallel lines in a room. Say, "I spy a pair of parallel lines." cut out a magazine picture that is symmetrical. Cut it along the line of symmetry. Paste one half of the picture on the paper and draw the missing half. 		

Glossary

line: \Longrightarrow a set of points that form a straight part extending infinitely in two directions

line segment: — a part of a line that has two endpoints

line of symmetry: a line that shows that when a figure is folded along that line, the parts of the figure match one another

parallel lines: lines that never intersect

perpendicular lines: line that intersect to form a right angle

point: an exact location

ray: a part of a line that has one endpoint and extends infinitely in one direction

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