Problem Solving Framework

Define the Problem Brainstorming Strategies for Solving the Problem • What is the problem about? • What is the problem asking you to do? Analyze the Problem **Problem** What strategies What do you know might you use to from the problem Solving solve the problem? that can help you How will you start solve the problem? Framework the problem? • Identify the role you will play in the problem. • Identify clue words to determine what operations need to be performed. **Read the Problem**



Performance Task Rubric



Skill: Write and evaluate numerical expressions involving whole number exponents.

- Shows complete understanding of the embedded skill and applies the skill beyond the parameters of the task.
- Shows complete understanding of required mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.
 - · Shows some understanding of the required mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.
- Shows limited or no understanding of the mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.

Skill: Write, read, and evaluate expressions in which letters stand for numbers.

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- Shows limited or no understanding of the mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.

Skill: Identify parts of an expression using mathematical terms (sum, term, product, factor, quotient, coefficient).

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- Shows some understanding of the required mathematical knowledge for the mathematical knowledge for the the specific skill.
- Shows limited or no understanding of specific skill.

Skill: Evaluate expressions at specific values of their variables.

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Skill: Apply the properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions.

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Skill: Identify when two expressions are equivalent.

- Shows complete understanding of the embedded skill and applies the skill beyond the parameters of the task.
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- Shows some understanding of the required mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.
- Shows limited or no understanding of the mathematical knowledge for the specific skill.

Skill: Solve real-world and mathematical problems by writing and solving equations.

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Skill: Use variables to represent two quantities in a real-world problem that change in relationship to one another.

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Performance Task Rubric

Target Area 4: Exceeds 2: Approaching 3: Meets Skill: Write an equation to express one quantity. • Shows complete understanding of the • Shows complete understanding of • Shows some understanding of the • Shows limited or no understanding of embedded skill and applies the skill required mathematical knowledge for required mathematical knowledge for the mathematical knowledge for the beyond the parameters of the task. the specific skill. the specific skill. specific skill. Skill: Identify the dependent and independent variable in a relationship of two quantities. • Shows complete understanding of the • Shows complete understanding of • Shows some understanding of the • Shows limited or no understanding of embedded skill and applies the skill required mathematical knowledge for required mathematical knowledge for the mathematical knowledge for the beyond the parameters of the task. the specific skill. the specific skill. specific skill. Planning and Execution • Uses an appropriate and complete Uses an appropriate but incomplete • Uses an inappropriate strategy or • Works haphazardly with no particular strategy for solving the problem. strategy for solving the problem. application of strategy is unclear. strategy for solving the problem. • Uses clear and effective diagrams, • Appropriate but incomplete use of • Limited use or misuse of diagrams, • Does not show use of diagrams, tables, tables, charts or graphs if required. diagrams, tables, charts, and graphs if tables, charts or graphs if required. charts, or graphs if required. required. Persistence · Works hard on the task and doesn't • Works hard on the task and only gets • Can do less difficult parts of the • Needs help, even for the simple parts need much help help after attempting many strategies. problem with little help. of the task. · Students may extend their thinking • Completes the task and works diligently • Begins work on the harder parts, but • Gives up quickly, often just wanted the beyond the problem and make new at the harder parts. unless help is provided gives up. answer giving.

connections or make new problems.



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Communication:

- There are clear effective explanations There is clear explanation for the solutions when prompted to explain or describe.
- Mathematical representations are actively used as means of communicating ideas.
- There is precise and appropriate mathematical terminology used.
- There is appropriate use of accurate mathematical representation.
- There is effective use of mathematical There is some use of appropriate terminology.
- There are incomplete explanations.
- There is some use of appropriate mathematical representations.
 - mathematical terminology.
- There are no explanations for the solutions. The explanations cannot be understood or is unrelated to the
- There is no use or inappropriate use of mathematical representations.
- There is no use or mostly inappropriate use of mathematical terminology.

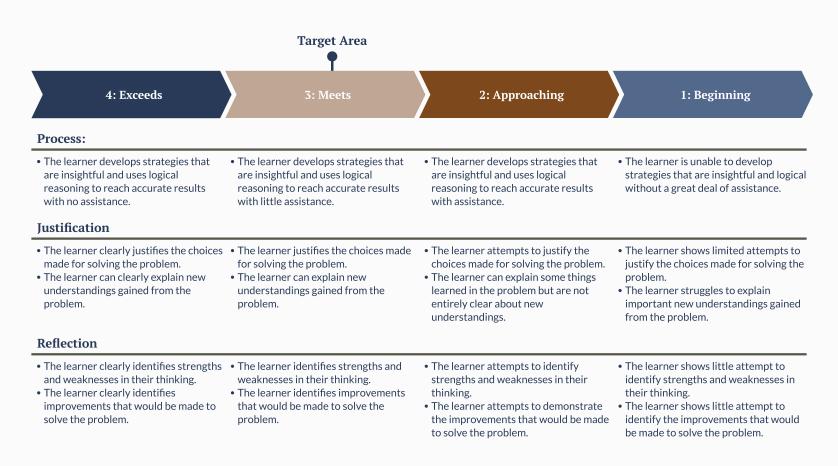


Critical Thinking/ Creative Thinking Problem Solving Rubric





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Collaboration Rubric

Target Area 4: Exceeds 3: Meets Participation: • The group member participated fully and • The group member participated and was • The group member participated but did not • The group member did not participate and was on task. on task most of the time. take full advantage of the time to work on worked on other material during the the problem/task. problem/task. Leadership • The group member assumed a leadership • The group member sometimes assumed a • The group member usually allowed other • The group member did not assume a role by: leadership role in an appropriate way. members to assume a leadership role or leadership role or assumed it in a non-• · helping keep the group on task often attempted to dominate the group. productive manner. • • encouraging group participation • • posing solutions to the problem • · portraying a positive attitude Listening: • The group member listened carefully to • The group member usually listened to • The group member sometimes did not • The group member did not listen to others' others' ideas and contributions. others' ideas and contributions. listen to others' ideas and contributions. ideas and contributions. Feedback • The group member offered detailed, • The group member offered constructive • The group member sometimes offered • The group member did not offer constructive, and specific feedback when feedback when appropriate. constructive feedback but sometimes the constructive or useful feedback. appropriate. comments were inappropriate or not useful.

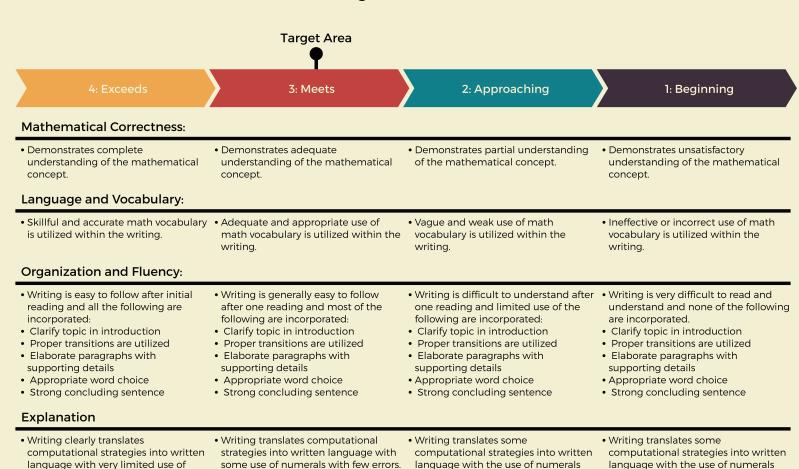


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Writing in Math Rubric



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Post Task Reflection Activity

