

math

Teach It! Learn It!
Love It!!!!





**"Buy it, sell it,
love it"**



Breakout Activity

- Discuss challenges you see for students who struggle and students with disabilities in the area of mathematics
- Consider issues involving Instruction, Curriculum, Assessments, Teachers, & students—All levels
- Come up with a Top 4 List



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FACT: When asked between doing Algebra Homework and going to the dentist....the majority of kids chose going to the dentist



Solve It!!!

$$3 = \#\#$$

$$5 = \#\#\#$$

$$6 = \diamond\#\#\#$$

The answers may be 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, or 10

a. $\diamond\#\#\#\#$

b. \diamond

c. $\#\#\#\#\#$

d. $\#$

e. $\diamond\diamond$

Math Proficiency of U.S. Students

- International comparisons
- Low fractions of proficiency on NAEP
- Falling proficiency at higher grades
- Heavy remedial demand upon entry into college
- Achievement gap



Algebra as a gateway

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- 78% of adults cannot explain how to compute interest paid on a loan
- 71% cannot calculate miles per gallon
- 58% cannot calculate a 10% tip



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Sell It...Learn It!!

- We have to **sell it by teaching it** (mathematics) or kids will never **Learn it!**
- Break away from “some” traditional teaching practices....



Sell it....Learn It!!

Sit and listen

Sit quietly and do your work

Discover it!!!!

Just watch me

Drill and kill..... Show and Tell

It's all Conceptual

40 homework problems

Low expectations for kids with disabilities

Just figure it out by working with the “smart” kid



Essential Question for Teachers

- Essential Question
 - What did I do ***“instructionally different”*** to support learning for the struggling students?
- Asked during instructional planning and after instructional delivery!!!





- **Evolve or
NOT?????**



For Example

- Low fractions of proficiency on NAEP
- WHY????????



For Example

- **Low fractions of proficiency on NAEP**
- Teachers anchor the development of whole numbers with the visual representation of a Number Line.
 - Very important because the number line clearly demonstrated quantity
 - Visually shows that numbers have specific locations on a number line



For Example

- **Low fractions of proficiency on NAEP**
- As teachers begin to introduce fractions...the number line vanishes and the concepts of fractions are anchored by a circle
 - Circle does not demonstrate that a fraction is a number and that it has a location on a number line
 - Circles do not clearly demonstrate the quantity of fractions compared to other fractions
- A number line displaying fractions is very important to the conceptual understanding



"YOU WON'T HAVE A CALCULATOR EVERYWHERE YOU GO," SAID YOUR 8TH GRADE MATH TEACHER.



YEAH... ABOUT THAT...



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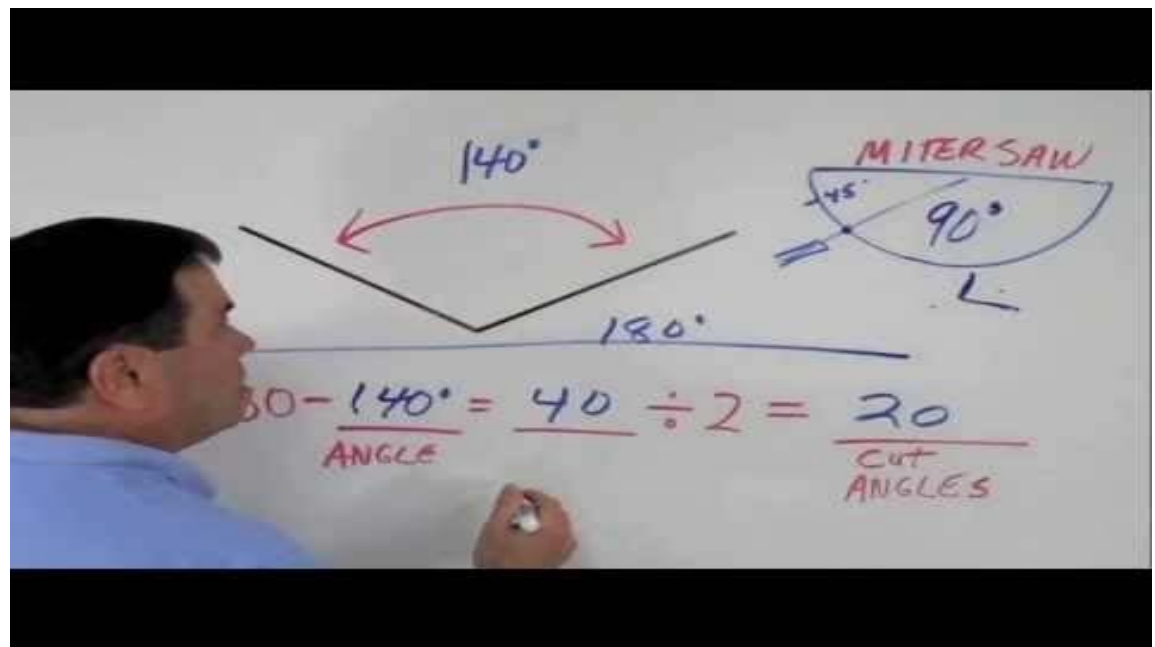
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Math teaches logical thinking and reasoning through the connections of concepts, procedures, and skill to SOLVE PROBLEMS



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- How.....by making the connections that are often in plain sight!
- For example:



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