

# Are You Down with the DOK?

HOW TO **LIFT** YOUR MATH  
INSTRUCTION EVERY DAY!

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# Learning Targets

## Participants will:

- correlate DOK to CCSS Mathematical Practices
- consider ways to lift DOK 1 → DOK 2 → DOK 3 through task selection, worksheet adaptation, questioning and discourse
- link to everyday math instruction

# Understand Depth of Knowledge

Go to Menti.com

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List your responses to these two questions as a word or short phrase:

- **What do you know about DOK/cognitive rigor?**
- **How do you increase rigor in your math classroom?**

# What is DOK?

## Depth of Knowledge (DOK) Levels



Is it this?

# What is DOK?

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**DOK-1 – Recall & Reproduction** - Recall a fact, term, principle, concept; perform a routine procedure – measure, calculate, apply rule (e.g., Problems that provide practice - “Doing the drills”)

**DOK-2 - Basic Application of Skills/Concepts** - Use of information, conceptual knowledge, select appropriate procedures for a task, two or more steps with decision points along the way, **routine** problems applying 2+ concepts, organize/display data, interpret/use simple graphs; categorize data; extend patterns (e.g., Word Problems)

**DOK-3 - Strategic Thinking** - Requires reasoning, developing a plan or sequence of steps to approach problem; requires some decision making and **justification**; abstract, complex, or **non-routine**; often more than one possible answer or approach (e.g., Performance Tasks; “playing the game”)

**DOK-4 - Extended Thinking** – Design & conduct an **original** investigation; requires more time to research, problem solve, and process and collect evidence across **multiple conditions** (real world); non-routine manipulations, **across disciplines/content areas/multiple sources** (e.g., Projects)

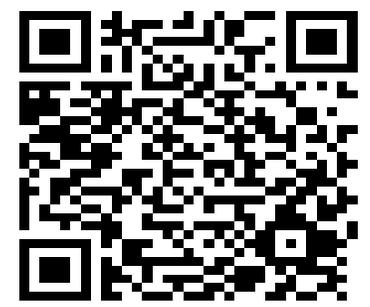
# What is DOK?



Hess' Cognitive Rigor Matrix & Curricular Examples: Applying Webb's Depth-of-Knowledge Levels to Bloom's Cognitive Process Dimensions – M-Sci

Revised Bloom's Taxonomy	Webb's DOK Level 1 Recall & Reproduction	Webb's DOK Level 2 Skills & Concepts	Webb's DOK Level 3 Strategic Thinking/ Reasoning	Webb's DOK Level 4 Extended Thinking
<b>Remember</b> Retrieve knowledge from long-term memory, recognize, recall, locate, identify	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recall, observe, &amp; recognize facts, principles, properties</li> <li>Recall/ identify conversions among representations or numbers (e.g., customary and metric measures)</li> </ul>			
<b>Understand</b> Construct meaning, clarify, paraphrase, represent, translate, illustrate, give examples, classify, categorize, summarize, generalize, infer a logical conclusion (such as from examples given), predict, compare/contrast, match like ideas, explain, construct models	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate an expression</li> <li>Locate points on a grid or number on number line</li> <li>Solve a one-step problem</li> <li>Represent math relationships in words, pictures, or symbols</li> <li>Read, write, compare decimals in scientific notation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specify and explain relationships (e.g., non-examples/examples; cause-effect)</li> <li>Make and record observations</li> <li>Explain steps followed</li> <li>Summarize results or concepts</li> <li>Make basic inferences or logical predictions from data/observations</li> <li>Use models /diagrams to represent or explain mathematical concepts</li> <li>Make and explain estimates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use concepts to solve <u>non-routine</u> problems</li> <li>Explain, generalize, or connect ideas <u>using supporting evidence</u></li> <li>Make <u>and justify</u> conjectures</li> <li>Explain thinking when more than one response is possible</li> <li>Explain phenomena in terms of concepts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relate mathematical or scientific concepts to other content areas, other domains, or other concepts</li> <li>Develop generalizations of the results obtained and the strategies used (from investigation or readings) and apply them to new problem situations</li> </ul>
<b>Apply</b> Carry out or use a procedure in a given situation; carry out (apply to a familiar task), or use (apply) to an unfamiliar task	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow simple procedures (recipe-type directions)</li> <li>Calculate, measure, apply a rule (e.g., rounding)</li> <li>Apply algorithm or formula (e.g., area, perimeter)</li> <li>Solve linear equations</li> <li>Make conversions among representations or numbers, or within and between customary and metric measures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select a procedure according to criteria and perform it</li> <li>Solve routine problem applying multiple concepts or decision points</li> <li>Retrieve information from a table, graph, or figure and use it solve a problem requiring multiple steps</li> <li>Translate between tables, graphs, words, and symbolic notations (e.g., graph data from a table)</li> <li>Construct models given criteria</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design investigation for a specific purpose or research question</li> <li>Conduct a designed investigation</li> <li>Use concepts to solve non-routine problems</li> <li><u>Use &amp; show reasoning, planning, and evidence</u></li> <li>Translate between problem &amp; symbolic notation when not a direct translation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select or devise approach among many alternatives to solve a problem</li> <li>Conduct a project that specifies a problem, identifies solution paths, solves the problem, and reports results</li> </ul>
<b>Analyze</b> Break into constituent parts, determine how parts relate, differentiate between relevant-irrelevant, distinguish, focus, select, organize, outline, find coherence, deconstruct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retrieve information from a table or graph to answer a question</li> <li>Identify whether specific information is contained in graphic representations (e.g., table, graph, T-chart, diagram)</li> <li>Identify a pattern/trend</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Categorize, classify materials, data, figures based on characteristics</li> <li>Organize or order data</li> <li>Compare/ contrast figures or data</li> <li>Select appropriate graph and organize &amp; display data</li> <li>Interpret data from a simple graph</li> <li>Extend a pattern</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare information within or across data sets or texts</li> <li>Analyze and <u>draw conclusions from data, citing evidence</u></li> <li>Generalize a pattern</li> <li>Interpret data from complex graph</li> <li>Analyze similarities/differences between procedures or solutions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze multiple sources of evidence</li> <li>analyze complex/abstract themes</li> <li>Gather, analyze, and evaluate information</li> </ul>
<b>Evaluate</b> Make judgments based on criteria, check, detect inconsistencies or fallacies, judge, critique			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Cite evidence and develop a logical argument</u> for concepts or solutions</li> <li>Describe, compare, and contrast solution methods</li> <li><u>Verify reasonableness of results</u></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gather, analyze, &amp; evaluate information to draw conclusions</li> <li>Apply understanding in a novel way, provide argument or justification for the application</li> </ul>
<b>Create</b> Reorganize elements into new patterns/structures, generate, hypothesize, design, plan, construct, produce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brainstorm ideas, concepts, or perspectives related to a topic</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generate conjectures or hypotheses based on observations or prior knowledge and experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Synthesize information within one data set, source, or text</li> <li>Formulate an original problem given a situation</li> <li>Develop a scientific/mathematical model for a complex situation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Synthesize information across multiple sources or texts</li> <li>Design a mathematical model to inform and solve a practical or abstract situation</li> </ul>

Use Hess' Cognitive Rigor Matrix instead

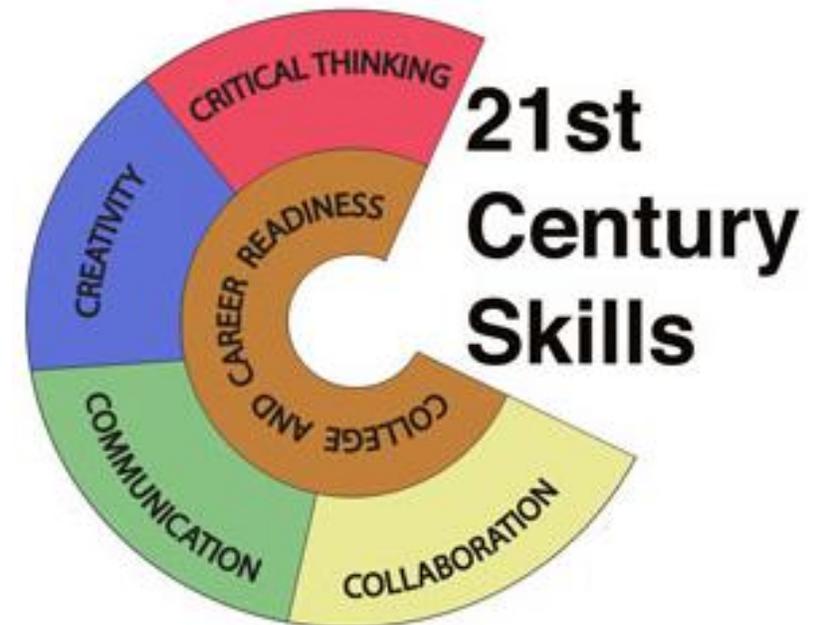


# Why does DOK matter?

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- complexity matters
- depth of understanding matters
- transfer matters





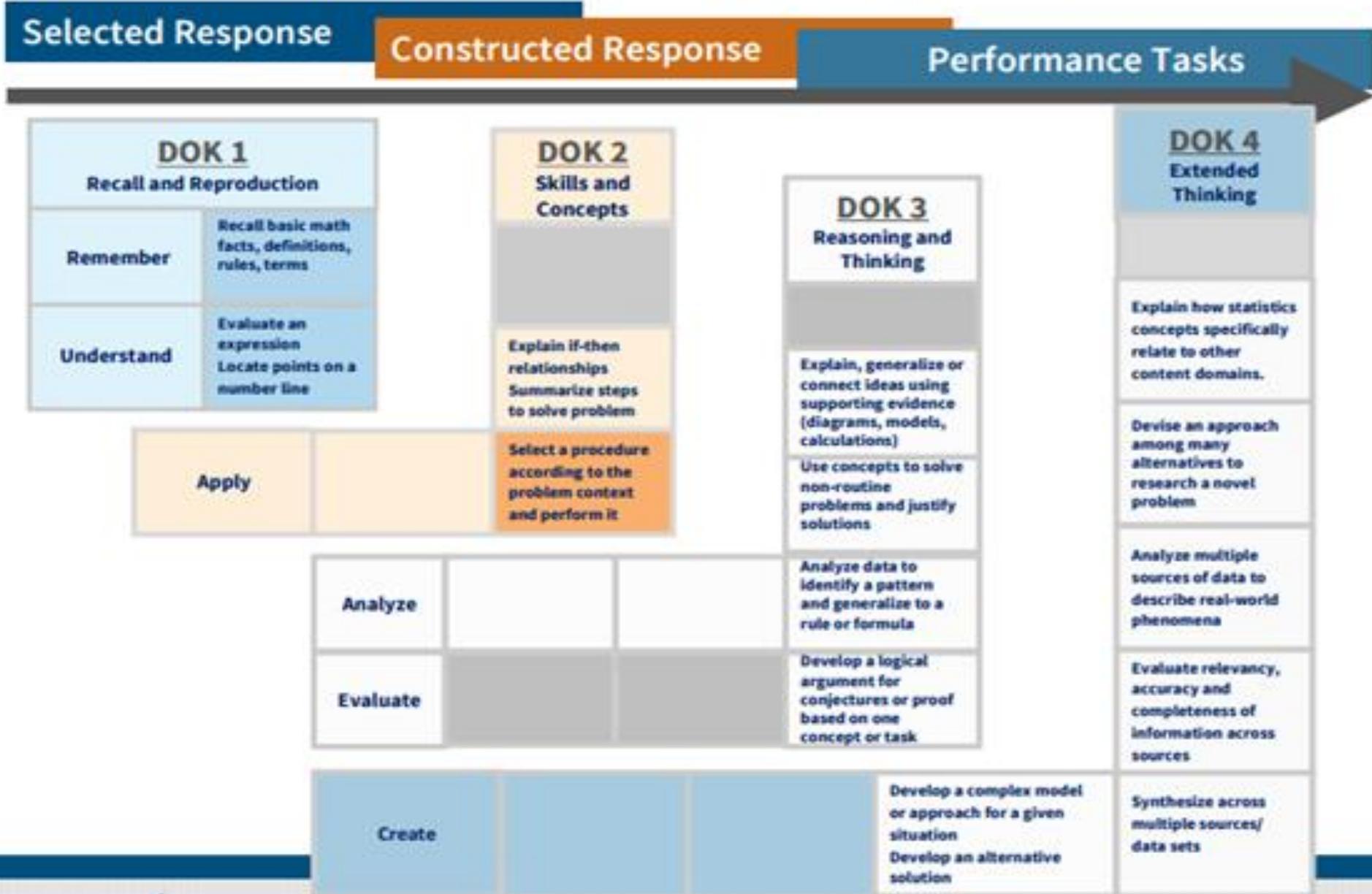
# 7 Misconceptions

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1. All kids can't do this; or kids don't need scaffolding to get "up" there.
2. Webb's DOK model is a taxonomy
3. Bloom verbs & levels = Webb DOK
4. DOK is about difficulty.
5. All DOK levels can be assessed with a multiple choice question
6. Higher order thinking = deeper learning
7. Multi-step or longer tasks, multiple texts, or complex texts always means deeper thinking



# Instruction and assessment decisions





# Roles of Teacher and Student



## TEACHER/FACILITATOR

1. Build conceptual understanding, schemas
2. Probe for reasoning
3. Provide tasks requiring analysis of evidence
4. Strategically scaffold to advance thinking
5. Allow for reflection and “processing” time

## STUDENT

1. Conceptual discourse (if-then; alike-different)
2. No canned answers
3. Persevere when challenged; seek alternatives
4. Generate deeper questions
5. Listen, probe, & respectfully challenge others with evidence

# Correlation of DOK to Mathematical Practices



## Mathematical Practice

- 1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.**
- 2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.**
- 3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.**
- 4. Model with mathematics.**
- 5. Use appropriate tools strategically.**
- 6. Attend to precision.**
- 7. Look for and make use of structure.**
- 8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.**



# Math Content Standards & Math Practices

<b>Depth + Thinking</b>	<b>Level 1 Recall &amp; Reproduction</b>	<b>Level 2 Skills &amp; Concepts (routine applications)</b>	<b>Level 3 Strategic Thinking (support with data, equations, models, etc.)</b>	<b>Level 4 Extended Thinking (across domains)</b>
<b>Remember</b>	Know math facts, terms			
<b>Understand</b>	<b>Attend to precision</b> Evaluate expressions, plot point	<b>Model with mathematics</b> Estimate, predict, observe, explain relationships	<b>Construct viable arguments</b> Geometry proof	Integrate concepts across domains
<b>Apply</b>	Calculate, measure, make conversions	<b>Make sense of routine problems</b>	<b>Make sense of non-routine problems</b>	Design & conduct a project
<b>Analyze</b>	Identify a pattern Locate information in table	<b>Use tools strategically</b> Classify, organize data, extend a pattern	<b>Reason abstractly</b> Generalize a pattern	Analyze multiple sources of evidence
<b>Evaluate</b>			<b>Critique the reasoning of others</b>	
<b>Create</b>				Design a complex model

# Ways to lift

DOK 1 → DOK 2

DOK 2 → DOK 3



in everyday  
lessons

**How do you increase rigor in  
your math classroom?**

# Marzano: Essentials for Achieving Rigor

## Teacher behavior

“The Marzano Center Essentials for Achieving Rigor model includes 13 strategies. Considered and implemented as a set, these strategies represent a dramatic shift from traditional classroom pedagogy and align directly with the goals of college and career readiness standards.”

## Questioning

## Complex Tasks

### 13 Essential Strategies

- Identifying Critical Content
- Previewing New Content
- Organizing Students to Interact with Content
- Helping Students Process Content
- Helping Students Elaborate on Content
- Helping Students Record and Represent Knowledge
- Managing Response Rates with Tiered Questioning Techniques
- Reviewing Content
- Helping Students Practice Skills, Strategies, and Processes
- Helping Students Examine Similarities and Differences
- Helping Students Examine Their Reasoning
- Helping Students Revise Knowledge
- Helping Students Engage in Cognitively Complex Tasks



# Teacher behavior

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INSTEAD OF...



- Spend a lot of time talking during teaching
- Focus on the activity
- Teach explicitly all the time
- Jump in quickly to assist
- Provide yes/no, right/wrong questions and tasks

TRY...



- Let students do the work and the talk
- Focus on the mental processing required for students
- Try an inquiry lesson
- Be less helpful
- Promote stamina and perseverance

# Questioning

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INSTEAD OF...



- Ask most of the questions
- Move at fast pace
- Provide hints
- Being surprised by student responses

TRY...



- Students generate questions (Question Formulation Technique)
- Provide wait time
- Give non-specific hints and general strategies (link to MPs)
- Anticipate student solutions

# Questioning: Funneling or Focusing?

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- Questions that “funnel” → to one answer or step in the processes
- Questions that “focus” → are more open-ended and lead to discourse; What do you notice? How would you describe...? Where could we start?

# Questioning: Examples

<i>Funneling question</i>		<i>Focusing question</i>	
<b>DOK 1 Recall and Reproduction</b>	<b>DOK 2 Application of skills and concepts</b>	<b>DOK 3 Strategic Thinking</b>	<b>DOK 4 Extended Thinking</b>
Who? Where? When?			
What?	What is the outcome? What can you do? What steps are needed to ___? What do you notice about ___?	What does it suggest? What is the reason? What is the relationship? What effect does ___ have on ___? What conclusions can you draw about ___? What could be a theory about ___? Justify. What would happen if ___? What do you predict about ___? What generalization can be made?	What is the impact? What if ___? What if ___ is given but ___ is not? What could happen? What can you build, create, design or develop? What kind of problem could you present?
How?	How can you use it? How would you compare ___? How are they alike? Different? How would you classify ___? How would you summarize ___?	How could you develop and use a model? How is ___ related to ___? How do you know? Defend your reasoning with evidence. How would you justify it? How would you test ___?	How can we improve ___? How many other ways can you ___?
Why?		Why does it work? Will it always? Why is that the answer? Why is that the best answer? Why is it the outcome? Why do you suppose ___?	



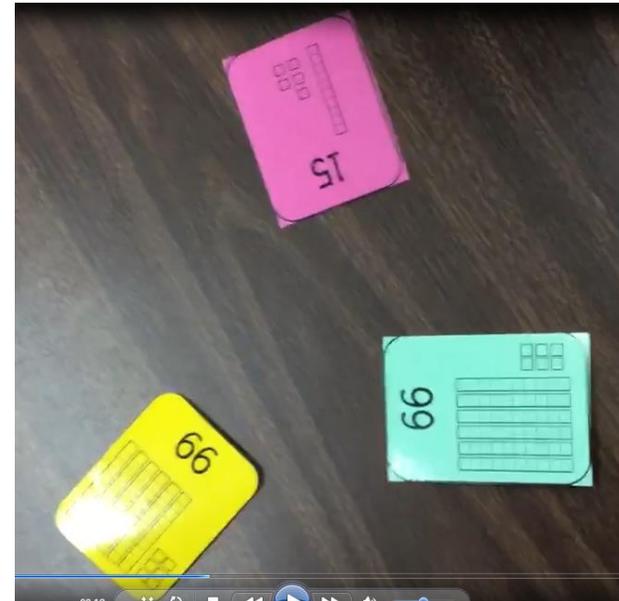
# Questioning

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Video: Listen to student and teacher talk.

What DOK are the teacher's questions?





# Questioning Activity

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QUESTION/STATEMENT	DOK
Tell me what you notice here.	
So, which one is greater?	
Why is 66 greater?	
So, what matters? Do the ones matter when we're looking at this?	
Now you two have to flip again. Who gets all these cards?	
Why? Why is 82 more than 34?	



# Questioning Activity

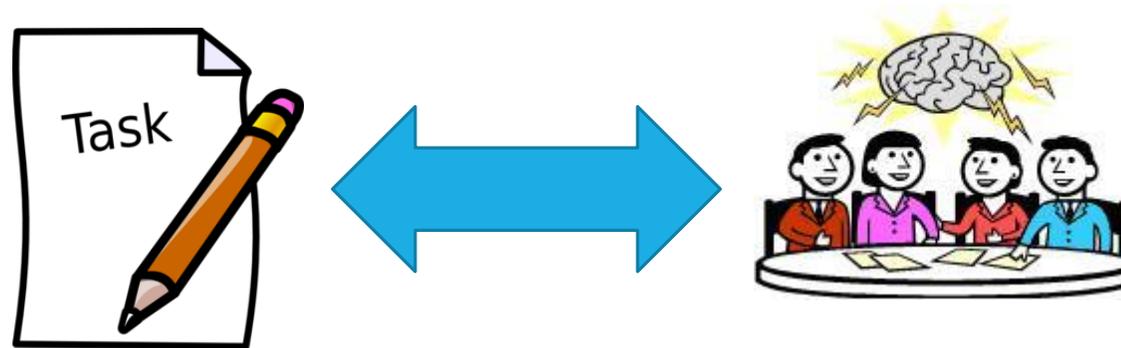
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QUESTION/STATEMENT	DOK
Tell me what you notice here.	2
So, which one is greater?	1
Why is 66 greater?	3
So, what matters? Do the ones matter when we're looking at this?	3
Now you two have to flip again. Who gets all these cards?	1
Why? Why is 82 more than 34?	3

# Tasks: Task Predicts Performance



*“What predicts performance is what students are actually doing... the instructional task is the actual work that students are asked to do during the process of instruction...” ~City, Elmore et al.*



**student engagement with tasks that demand active struggle to find the connections and apply mathematical practices**

# Does this look familiar?



## Rewriting Addition to Multiplication

Rewrite each addition problem into a multiplication problem.

Ex)  $2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2$

1)  $2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2$

2)  $3 + 3 + 3$

3)  $3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3$

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher : \_\_\_\_\_

$$\begin{array}{r} \$ 13.18 \\ + \$ 40.56 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \$ 79.36 \\ + \$ 17.77 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \$ 11.13 \\ + \$ 68.69 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Find the Least Common Multiple of each number pair.

10, 4 \_\_\_\_\_

14, 6 \_\_\_\_\_

3, 27 \_\_\_\_\_

25, 5 \_\_\_\_\_

# Tasks: Modify

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INSTEAD OF...



- Use worksheets and tasks in original form most of the time
- Use closed tasks
- Focus on small skills
- Look for right/wrong

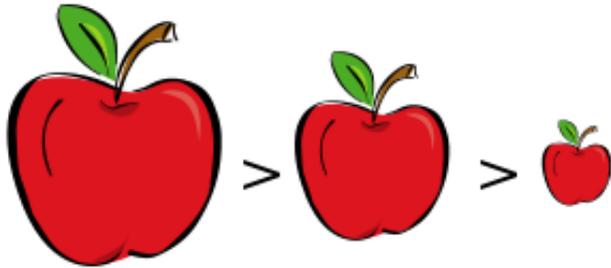
TRY...

- Add a layer, generalize, flip the known/unknown, ask to defend thinking
- Introduce ambiguity by providing incomplete info and inviting student questions
- Link to other domains
- Offer a worked example: Is it correct or not? Explain.

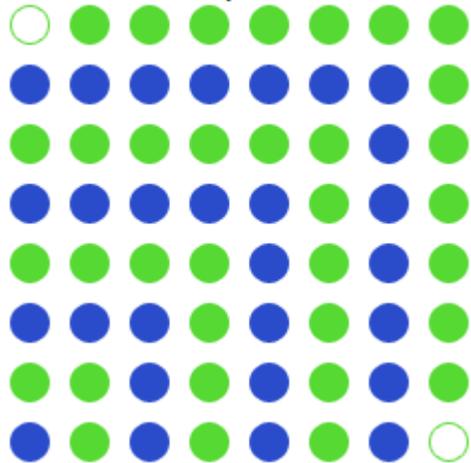


# Tasks: Examples

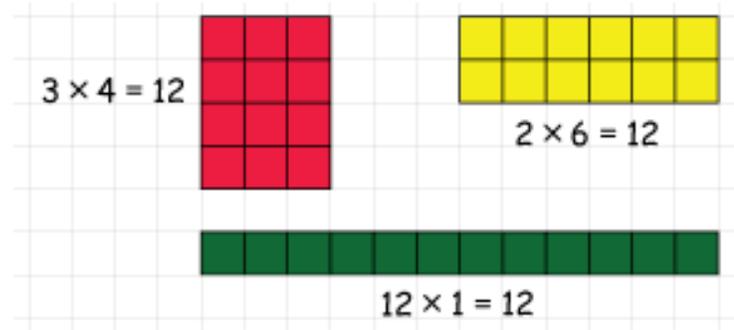
What could  $>$  mean?



What do you notice?

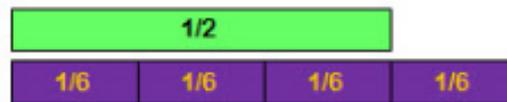


What do you notice? What else?



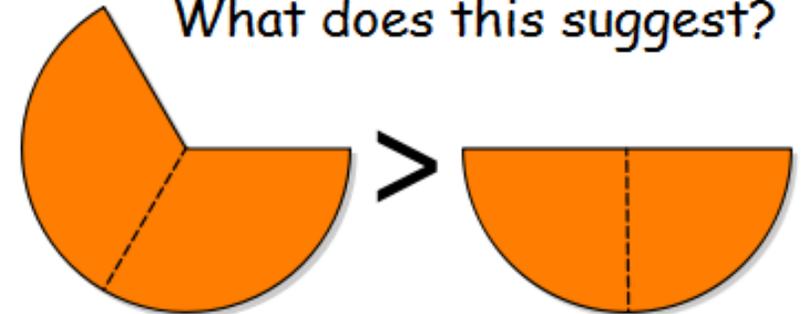
What do you think?

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{4}{6}$$



What is the reason?

What does this suggest?



# Tasks: Re-Sequence

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INSTEAD OF...



- Begin concepts with literal, factual knowledge (DOK 1)

TRY...

- Launch with an inquiry or challenging problem (DOK 2 or 3)
- Lead with a visual (photo, video, graph, data) and time to think
- Lead with a worked example (correct or erroneous) and time to make sense of it



# Task Activity



- Here's a task and how we modified it

$$\begin{array}{r} 605 \\ + 516 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 616 \\ + 831 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 553 \\ + 576 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 625 \\ + 670 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 171 \\ + 608 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 156 \\ + 961 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 575 \\ + 105 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 376 \\ + 949 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 439 \\ + 114 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 123 \\ + 775 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Missing Digits #1:  
Find the missing digits.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

$\begin{array}{r} 98\Box \\ + \Box 23 \\ \hline \Box 110 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} \Box 34 \\ + 548 \\ \hline 77\Box \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 45\Box \\ + \Box 85 \\ \hline \Box 1\Box 1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 7\Box 5 \\ + 74\Box \\ \hline 1\Box 91 \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{r} 1\Box 1 \\ + 222 \\ \hline \Box 3\Box \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 5\Box 3 \\ + 859 \\ \hline 1\Box 82 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 968 \\ + 66\Box \\ \hline \Box 6\Box 1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 45\Box \\ + \Box 74 \\ \hline 7\Box 1 \end{array}$

# Task Activity



- Here's a task and how we modified it

0~100   $>$  Greater Than or Equal To  
Less Than  $=$

Write in the symbol that makes the problem true.

$>$ ,  $<$  or  $=$

1. 35 <input type="text"/> 52	2. 40 <input type="text"/> 74	3. 45 <input type="text"/> 30
4. 84 <input type="text"/> 77	5. 38 <input type="text"/> 64	6. 51 <input type="text"/> 39

Look at the comparisons below. Cross out all that are **not** true.

$71 > 17$

$40 < 4$

$80 > 18$

$35 < 33$

$26 > 16$

$64 < 74$

Write your own comparisons.

True \_\_\_\_\_  $>$  \_\_\_\_\_

Not true \_\_\_\_\_  $>$  \_\_\_\_\_

# Task Activity

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- You try it!:
  - Think of a task you've asked your students to work on recently OR Choose a Task (Tasks A-F provided)
  - Work together at your table to lift the DOK
  - How could you revise or reframe the tasks to require a higher level of cognitive demand?
  - Share out, chart it, gallery walk...

# Implications for Teachers

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- Consider task selection
- Plan for questioning



# Implications for Coaches

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- Coach into **task selection** through collaborative planning for authentic rich tasks...
- Coach **questioning** skills through planning, scripting, tagging to DOK, shifting, whispering in...
- Coach into **discourse** through video, prompt cards, sentence stems...

# Implications for Administrators

- In **evaluation** - CCT...domain 2 and domain 3
- In **standardized testing** - SBAC...considers DOK on question stems
- Hess **Walk-Through Tool**

**Proficient**

Plans instructional strategies, tasks and questions that promote student cognitive engagement through problem-solving, critical or creative thinking, discourse<sup>11</sup> or inquiry-based learning<sup>12</sup> and / or application to other situations.



Grade 3 Mathematics Item Specification C1 TF

<p><b>Task Model 2a</b></p> <p><b>Response Type:</b> Equation/Numeric</p> <p><b>DOK Level 2</b></p>	<p><b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to identify the numerical fraction represented by a given point on a number line.</p> <p><b>Stimulus Guidelines:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Denominators are limited to 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8.</li> <li>• Follow any stated guidelines on allowable number ranges.</li> <li>• Item difficulty can be adjusted via these example methods:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Identify a fraction represented by a labeled point on a number line; number line is from 0–1 and divided into increments.</li> <li>◦ Identify a fraction represented by a labeled point on a number line; number line is from 0–1 and <b>not</b> divided into increments.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>3.NF.A.2</b> Understand a fraction as a number on the number line; represent fractions on a number line diagram. <b>a.</b> Represent a fraction <math>1/b</math> on a number line diagram by defining the interval from 0 to 1 as the whole and partitioning it into <math>b</math> equal parts. Recognize that each</p>	<p><b>TM2a</b> <b>Stimulus:</b> The student is presented with a fractional number line where a fraction is designated by a point on the number line.</p> <p><b>Example Stem:</b></p> 

<p><b>The Hess Walk-Through (Observation-Reflection) Tool:</b> Looking for Rigor in all the Right Places</p> <p>© Karin Hess (2013). In <i>Linking Research with Practice: A Local Assessment Toolkit</i>. All rights reserved.</p>	
The teacher...	All students...
<p>1. Provides accurate conceptual information, examples, models; asks questions that reflect substantive understanding of the <u>concepts &amp; builds overall schemas</u> (e.g. parts of the whole, essential criteria/characteristics). <b>(DOK 2)</b></p>	<p>1. Engage in substantive discourse about concepts, relationships, observations, predictions (e.g., if-then; compare-contrast, cause-effect). <b>(DOK 2)</b></p>
<p>2. Models <u>probing questions</u> and allows adequate wait time for all students (e.g., what makes you say that? Can you</p>	<p>2. Provide responses that reflect real thinking, <u>not just recall of "canned answers" or basic procedural</u></p>

# Reflection

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- *How can you lift the DOK of your tasks?*
- *What question stems speak to you? Why?*
- *What will you go back and quickly implement in your classroom or school?*
- *What ideas will you share with your colleagues?*
- *What new questions or thoughts do you have?*



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