

Equitable Instruction *Seeing Is Believing*



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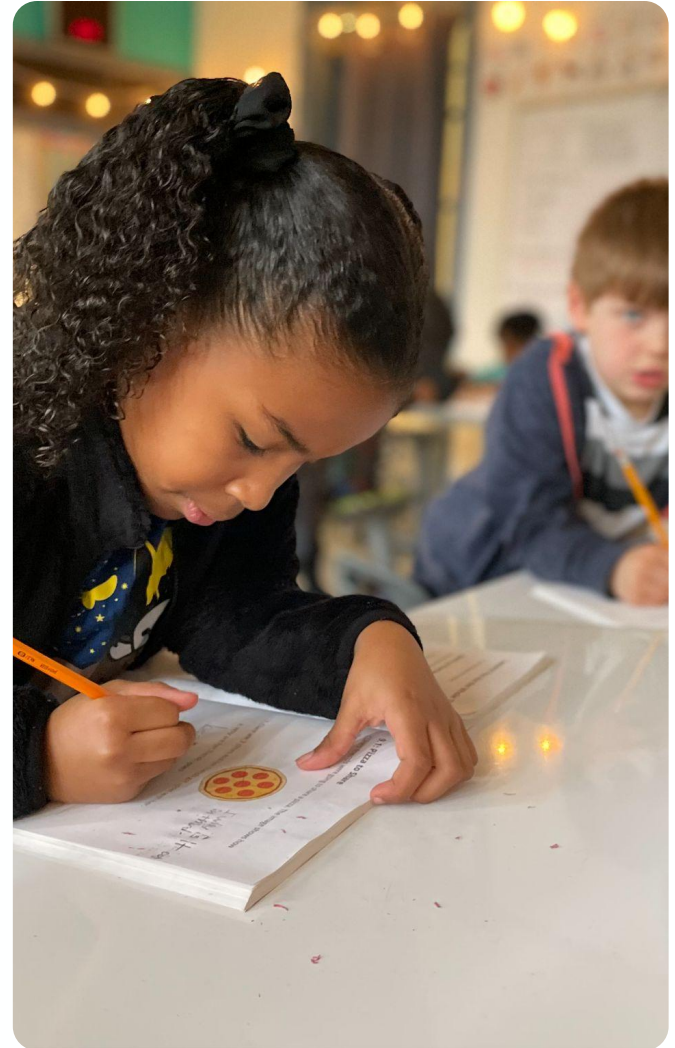
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Session Outcomes

- Use video to identify and develop teacher moves and practices that are explicitly connected to ambitious and equitable instruction
- Create a plan for building an equitable mathematics community of practice of educators, providing opportunities for them to observe, learn from, and reflect on classroom teaching of students in their schools specific to the needs of the teachers.



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Our Why



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“A world where all learners know, use, and enjoy mathematics”

Illustrative Mathematics' Vision



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A Seamless, Coherent, and Aligned Mathematical Experience



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“The body of research and data on the impact of high-quality instructional materials is clear: curriculum choices matter. But how teachers use curriculum matters even more.”

EdReports, State of the Instructional Materials Market 2020



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Problem-Based Teaching and Learning

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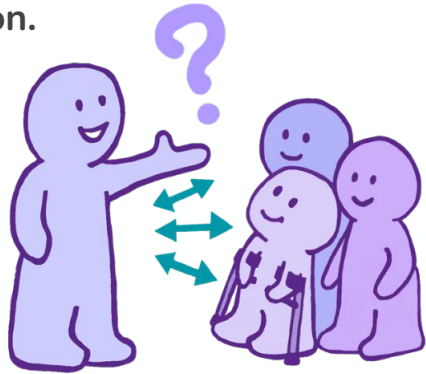
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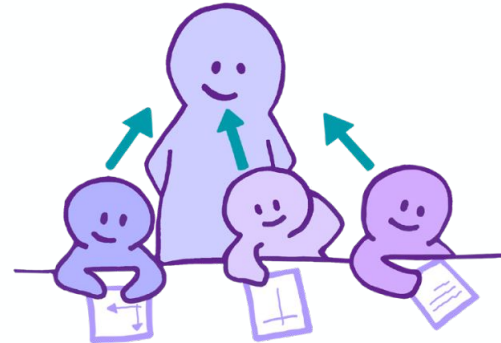
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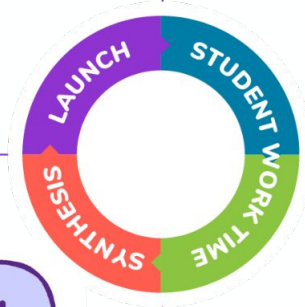
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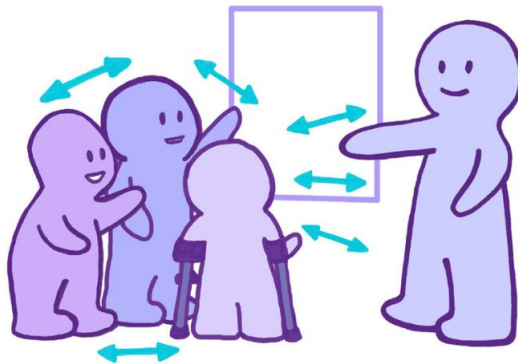
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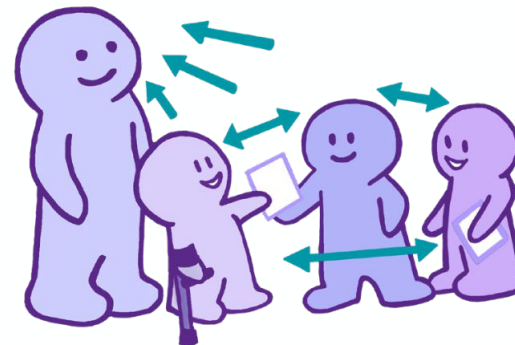
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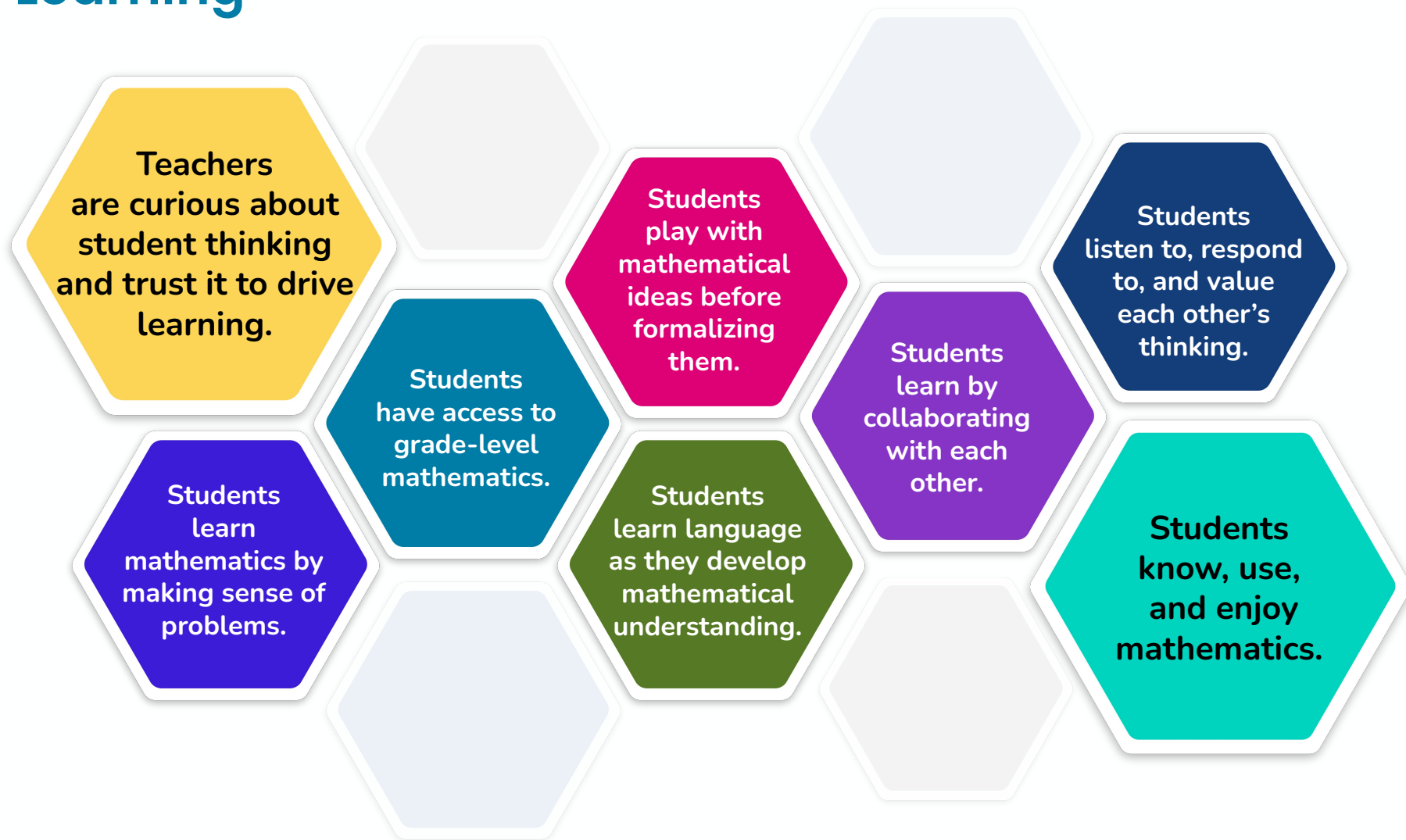
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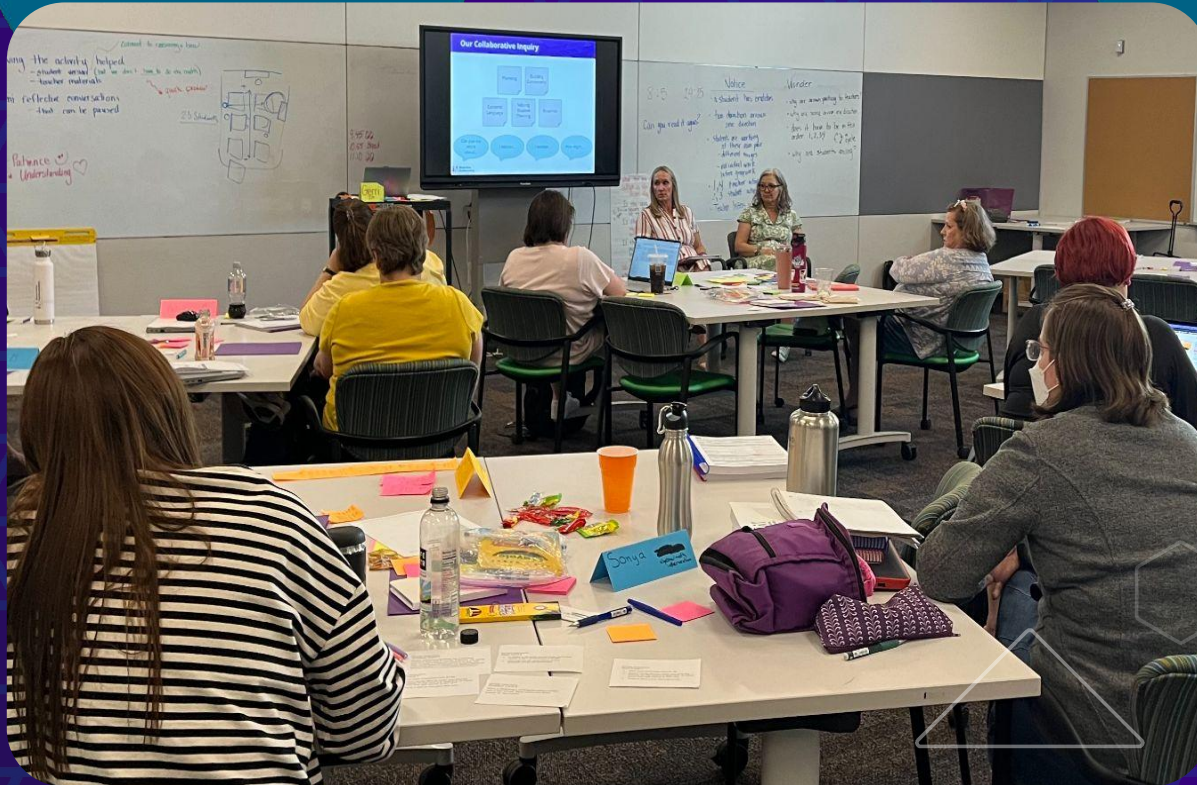


Elements of Problem-Based Teaching and Learning



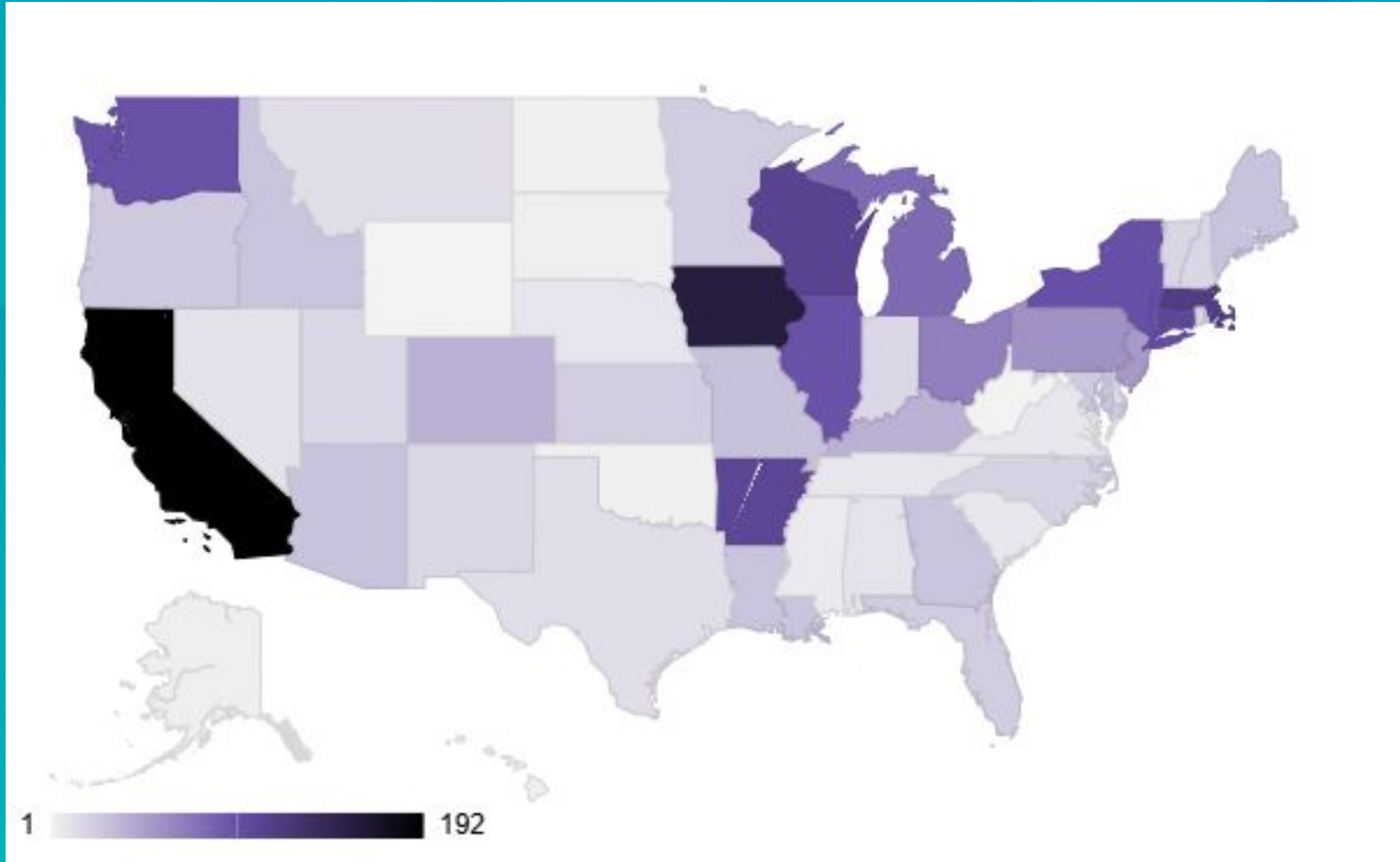
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The Challenge



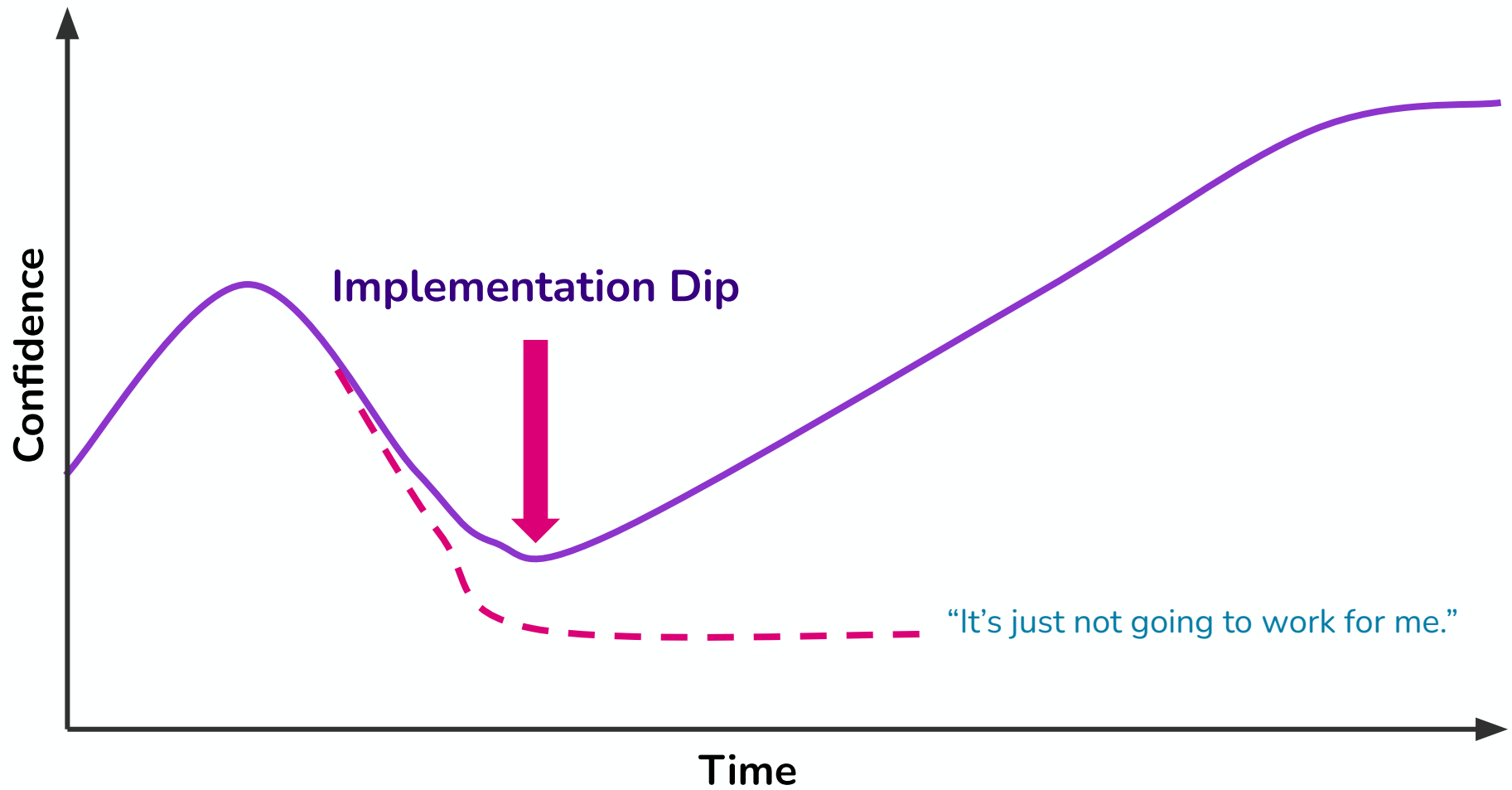
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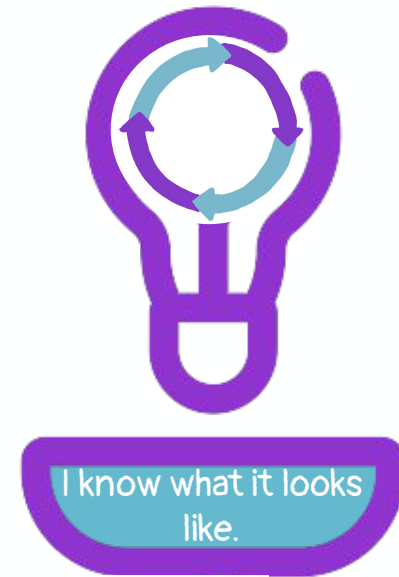
Implementation Journey



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“A teacher’s views of their student’s math capabilities is a predictor of their student’s math performance.

A critical first step to real change for learners underestimated by the system is to engage teachers to critically examine their beliefs and assumptions.”



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What are our beliefs and assumptions about our students? About our teachers?

What are the resulting challenges?

The Future of Math Teacher Professional Learning



October 2021

Rachel Slama, Roya Moussapour, Gregory Benoit,
Nancy Anderson, and Justin Reich

  TEACHING SYSTEMS LAB

ated Citation:
R., Moussapour, R., Benoit, G., Anderson, N., & Reich, J. (2021, October 13).
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“[I]n many schools and classrooms, teachers “fundamentally believe rich problems are only good with the honors students” and that teachers don’t always think that students who are struggling have the capability to tackle deep mathematics. Incorporating rich mathematics opportunities for all students allows students to demonstrate their mathematics knowledge, participate in classroom discourse, and develop a sense of mathematical identity.”

Slama, R., Moussapour, R., Benoit, G., Anderson, N., & Reich, J. (2021, October 13). The Future of Math Teacher Professional Learning. Retrieved from <http://edarxiv.org/kncs9>



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Common Challenges:

- alignment on how to use IM Math
- clarity on whether teachers were using teacher resources
- teacher understanding of facilitating a lesson where students are doing the sensemaking



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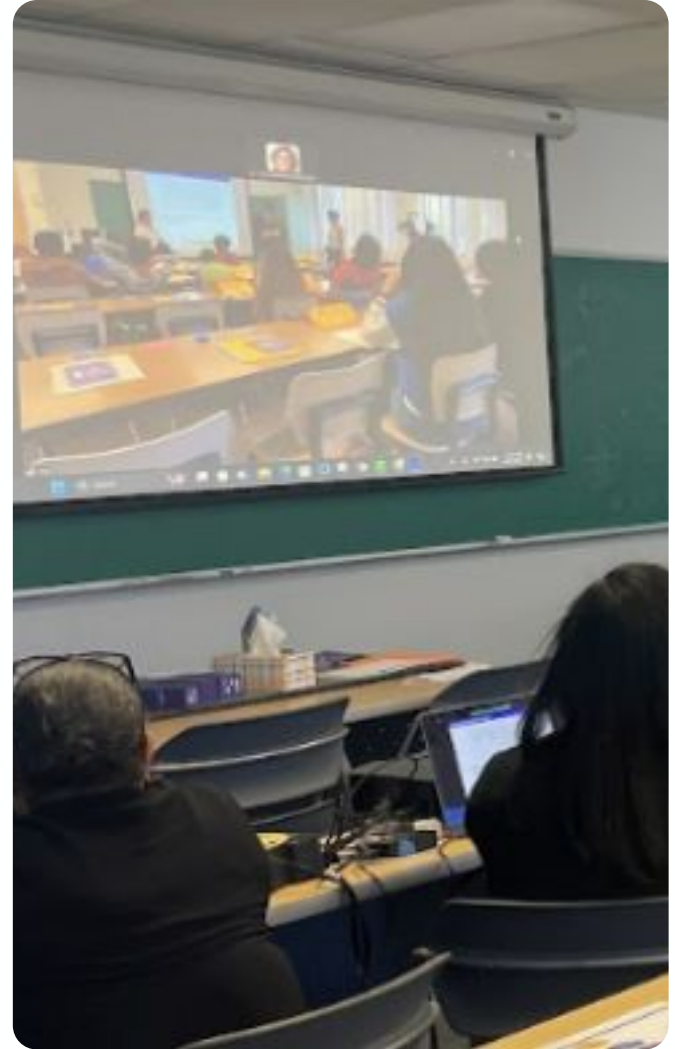
Our Response: IM MathLabs



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What is an IM MathLab?

- observe and debrief classroom instruction in real-time with colleagues and a skilled facilitator
- analyze and discuss student work from the observed class
- interview the local IM MathLab teacher and instructional coach for additional insight into the instruction
- apply what was observed during the IM MathLab class to their own practice



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IM MathLab Formats

Summer Camp



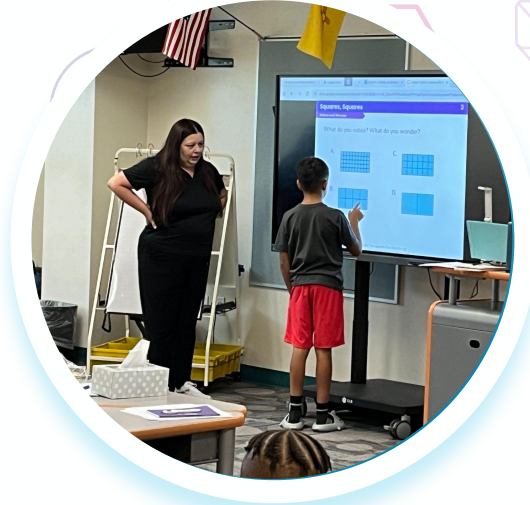
- Students from surrounding area
- Collaborated with state organization
- Weeklong

Summer School



- Students in a district
- Collaborated with district
- Several days

School Day



- Students in a school
- Collaborated with school
- Single day



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What evidence of problem-based teaching and learning do you see or hear in the classroom video?

Teachers are curious about student thinking and trust it to drive learning.

Students play with mathematical ideas before formalizing them.

Students listen to, respond to, and value each other's thinking.

Students have access to grade-level mathematics.

Students learn by collaborating with each other.

Students learn mathematics by making sense of problems.

Students learn language as they develop mathematical understanding.

Students know, use, and enjoy mathematics.



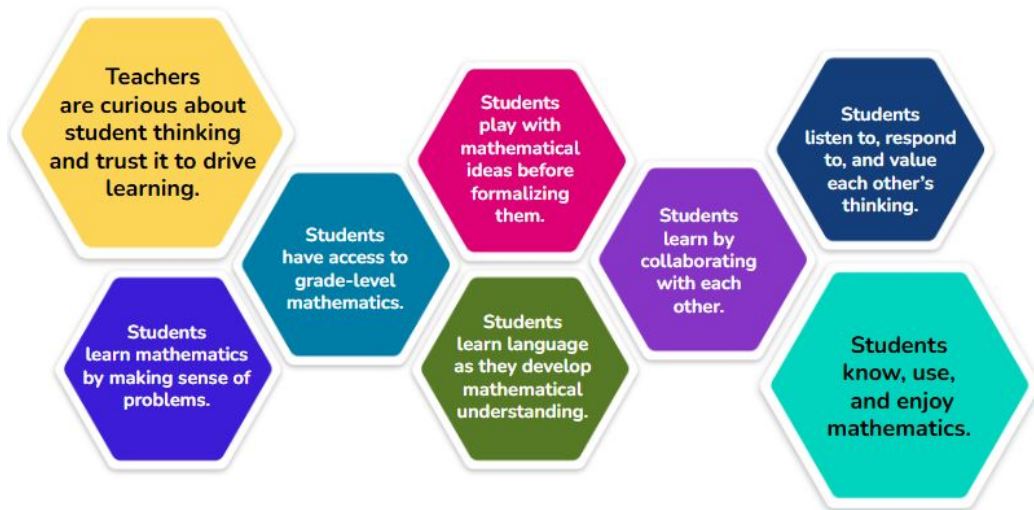
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Grade 1 • Unit 1 • Lesson 3 • Warm-up
How Many Do You See: : Dot Cubes



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What evidence of problem-based teaching and learning did you see or hear in the classroom video?



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Teacher Reflections



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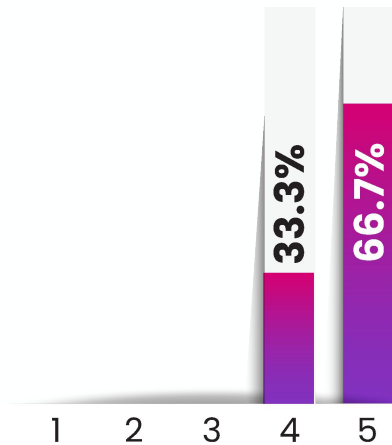


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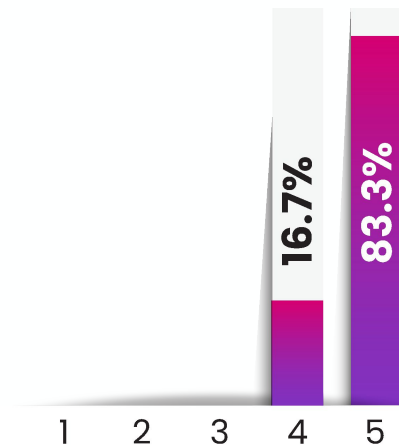
Educator Feedback

Likert Scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree to 5 = Strongly Agree

I have a better idea of what it looks like when students learn through sharing their ideas.



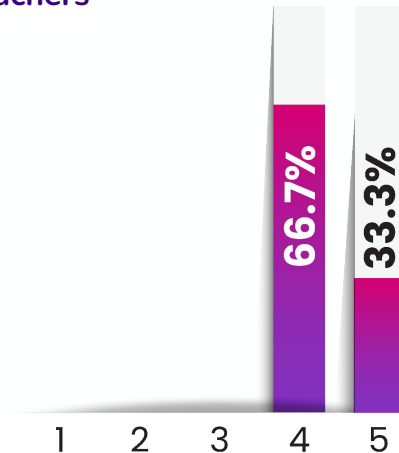
I can identify specific strategies for overcoming possible obstacles to implementing IM lessons.



I believe that my students can learn through problem-based instruction.



I feel more ready to share my instructional practice with my fellow teachers



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Reflections from IM MathLab

Taylor Wiggins
6th Grade Mathematics Teacher
Syracuse City School District



What was the most valuable
experience you gained from the
MathLab?



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Teacher Reflection



I used to think that students needed a lot of guidance to effectively implement Co-Craft Questions.

Now I think that students are all capable of generating mathematical questions.

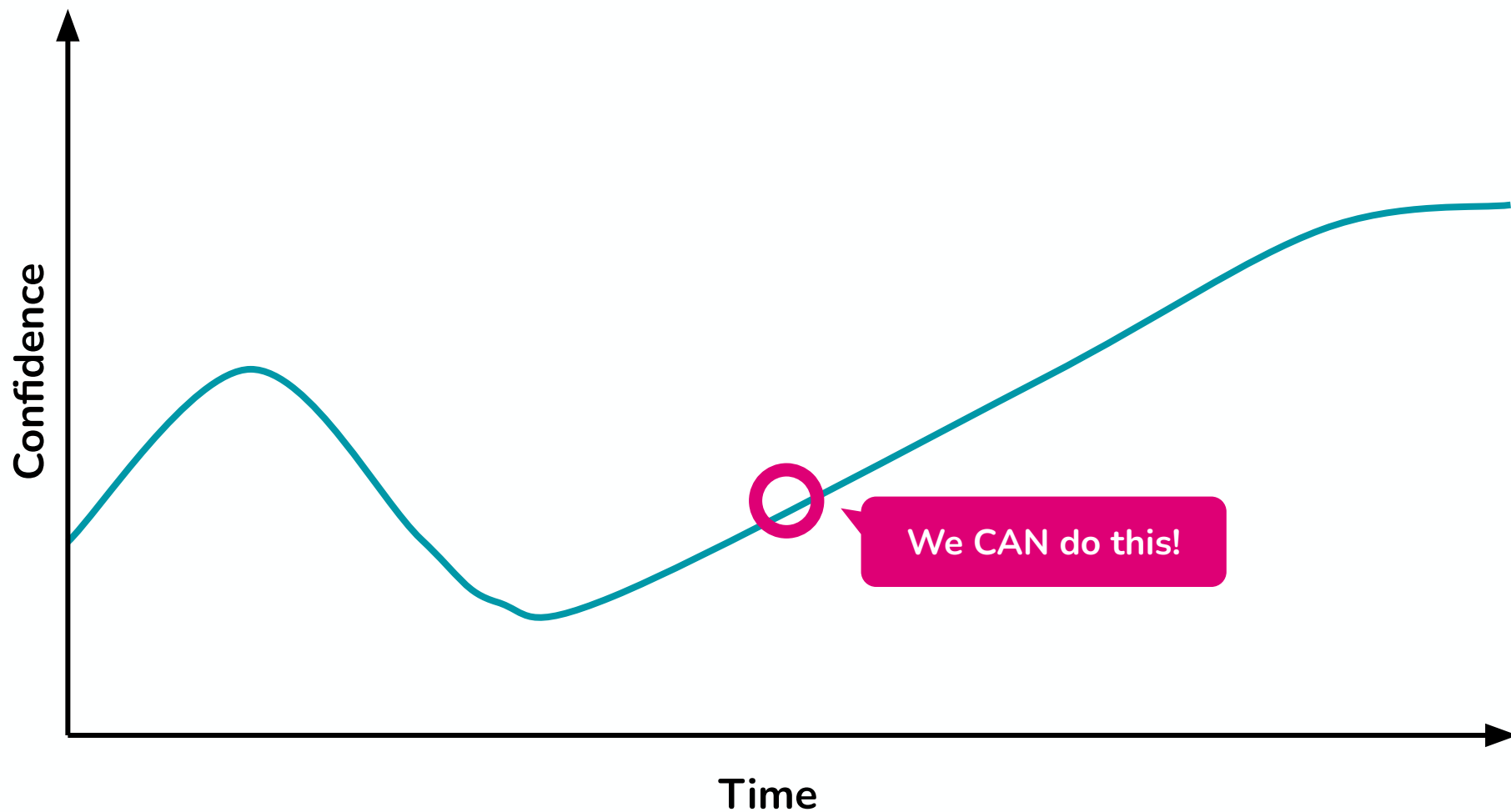
I used to think that the lessons in the IM curriculum were unapproachable for many of the students that we serve at our school.

Now I think if our teachers take the time to plan properly and allow the students to struggle and drive their own learning, this is not the case.



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Guiding Implementation



Adapted from: Leading in a Culture of Change. Fullan, M. (2001).



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Student Reflections



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Student Feedback: November 2023






Were you comfortable sharing your thinking with the whole class today?



Student Feedback: MathLab Day 3

I feel comfortable sharing my ideas in math class.

[More Details](#)

-  strongly agree
-  agree
-  neither disagree nor agree
-  disagree
-  strongly disagree



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Student Reflection

Based on your learning in MathLab this week, finish the following sentences:

I used to think... That math is really hard and hard to understand.

Now I think... That math is fun and enjoyable

Next I will... Study more and learn more about math

Based on your learning in MathLab this week, finish the following sentences:

I used to think...

math was boring and nothing part in life

Now I think...

math is really useful

Next I will...

Keep working hard in math



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Turning Reflection Into Action



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“Watching the student lab helped me look at the Math Language Routines, especially Co-Craft Questions and Info Gap. I’d tried them in my classroom, but seeing them practiced was amazing. I learned things that I hadn’t really thought about.”

Vivian Quintana



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MLR4: Information Gap

Mathematical Language Routine

Purpose:

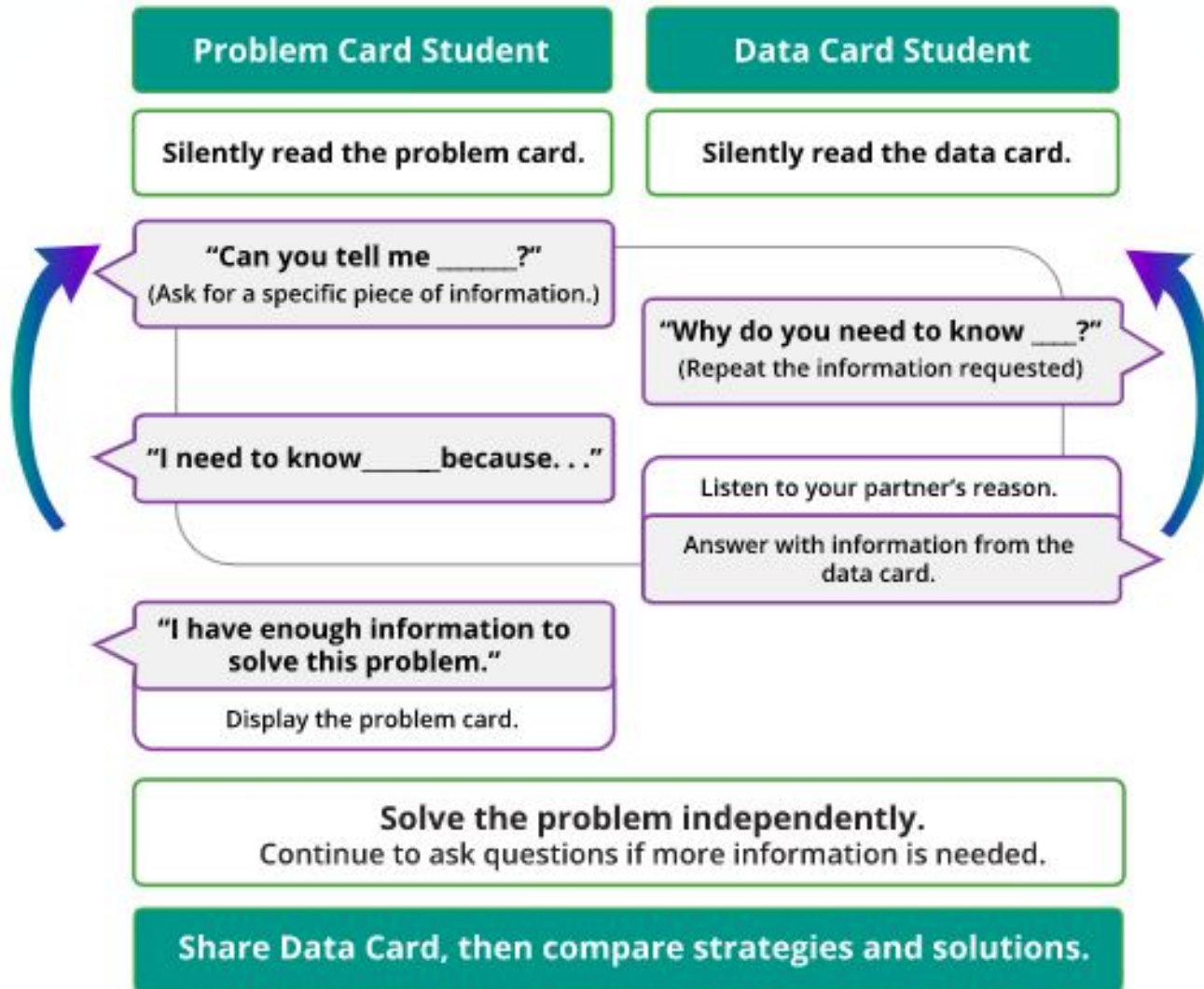
Create a need for students to communicate (Gibbons, 2002). This routine allows teachers to facilitate meaningful interactions by positioning some students as holders of information that is needed by other students.

With an *information gap*, students need to orally (or visually) share ideas and information in order to bridge a gap and accomplish something that they could not have done alone.



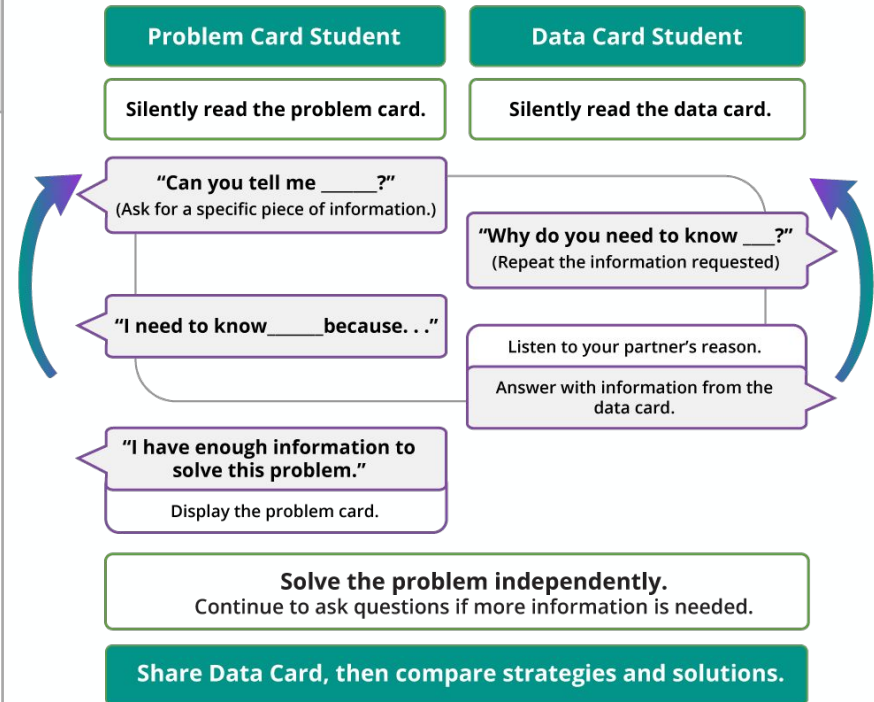
MLR4: Information Gap

Mathematical Language Routine



Info Gap: Points on the Number Line Problem Card 0

The points P , Q , and R are located on the number line. What is the location of point Q ?



Grade 6 • Unit 7 • Lesson 7 • Activity 2

Info Gap: Points on the Number Line

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Info Gap: Points on the Number Line Data Card 0

- P and R have the same absolute value.
- P and R have different signs.
- The distance between P and R is 6.
- Q is less than R .
- The distance between Q and R is 2.
- The absolute value of P is 3.
- Point R is located at 3.

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“... things that had failed in my classroom, now I feel renewed to go back and try again with some new strategies and really get all of my kids engaged and excited.”

Vivian Quintana



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Teachers Sharing Their Practice



What? Students Will Talk About Math?

APS Middle School Math PD

Strategies for Encouraging Math Discourse and Student Engagement

November 7, 2023
Vivian Quintana

Let's Give Them Something to

Talk About

Inspiring Mathematical Minds
June 10–15, 2024
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From IM MathLab Participant to IM MathLab Facilitator



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Planning an IM MathLab



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What's Your Why?



- IM's instructional model
- Instructional routines
- Math language routines
- Building classroom community
- Discourse structures



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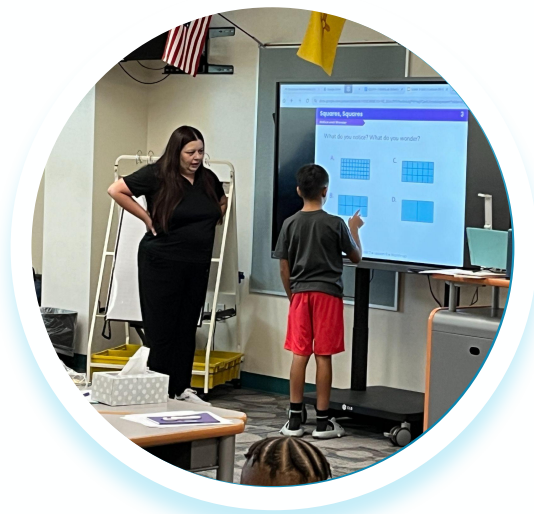
What's Your How?



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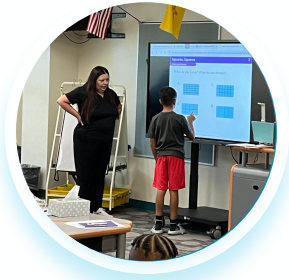
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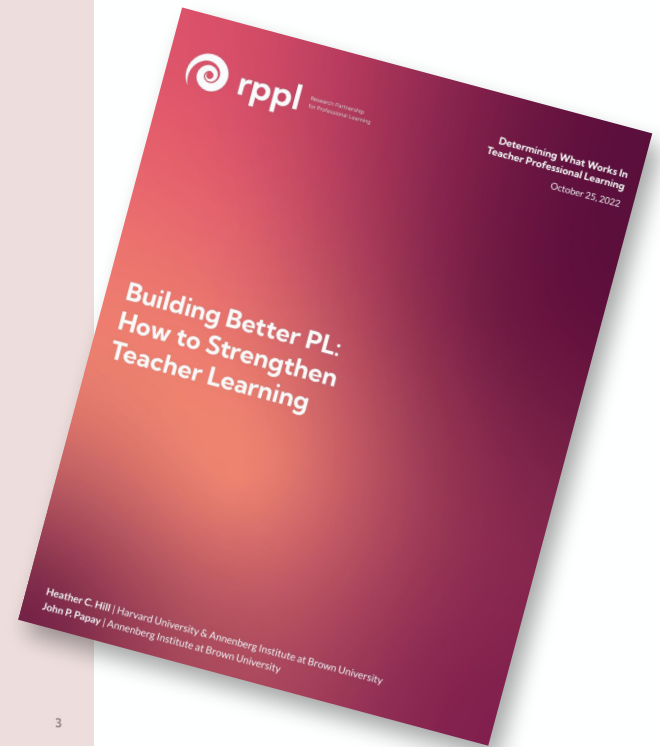
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Building Better PL: How to Strengthen Teacher Learning

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PL Features and Formats (How)	Content of PL (What)
 <p>Encourage peer collaboration for improvement</p>	 <p>Target subject-specific instructional practices over content knowledge</p>
 <p>Rely on coaching to get the work done</p>	 <p>Prioritize practice-supportive materials over principles and precepts</p>
 <p>Add follow-up meetings to address teacher concerns</p>	 <p>Deliver more PL focused on relationships with students</p>

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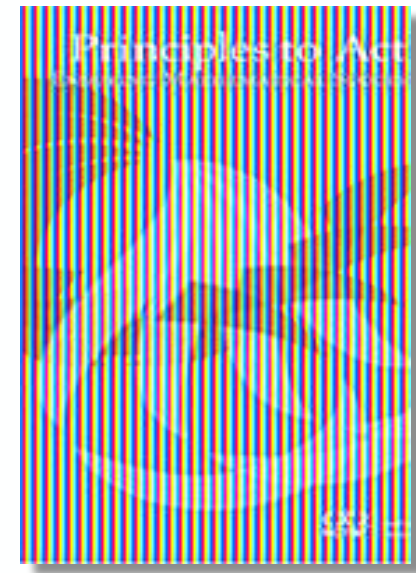
What comes next for Syracuse?

- Focus on Think Pair Share
- Teacher Survey to measure teachers' comfort with enacting the routine
- Coaches observe Think Pair Share and share reflections with teachers



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“The question is not whether all students can succeed in mathematics, but whether the adults organizing mathematics learning opportunities can alter traditional beliefs and practices to promote success for all.”



National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. (2014). *Principles to actions: Ensuring mathematical success for all*. National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.



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IM MathLab Shifts Beliefs

Teachers

- “This was amazing and I'm excited to apply everything.”
- “Now I think that students are all capable of generating mathematical questions.”

Coaches

- “This could be so beneficial for building teachers' practice and confidence.”
- “. . . with the help of these guides, I can walk with teachers through this thinking to help them better support their students.”

Students

- “I feel like we didn't really do math. But it was fun!”
- “I feel great you let people get their shine. . .”
- “Good because there was no drama and we learned a lot.”



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Q & A

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