## Math Foundations

A Different Approach to Instruction

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## What the Research Says-

According to the 2009 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) only 39\% of fourth-grade students and only $32 \%$ of eighth-grade students scored at the proficient level in mathematics. (NC: 43\%;36\%) Feedback?
(National Center for Educational Statistics, 2009)

# The National Council for Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) 

highlights the need for a well designed curriculum and quality teacher preparation.

## Federal Recognition of Lack of Research Studies

- IDEIA 2004 and NCLB clearly define a high standard for research-based reading practices
- IDEIA 2004 did not clearly define a high standard for research-based math practices, because we did not have the same research for math as we did for reading.

What Works clearinghouse:
http://www.whatworks.ed.gov

International Research


## TIMSS

from Improving Mathematics Instruction (Ed Leadership 2/2004)

- 1995 Video Study
- Japan, Germany, US
- Teaching Style Implicated
- 1999 Video Study
- US, Japan, Netherlands, Hong Kong, Australia, Czech Rep.
- Implementation Implicated


## Style vs.. Implementation

- High Achieving countries use a variety of styles to teach (calculator vs.. no calculator, 'real-life' problems vs.. 'naked'/ problems)
- High Achieving countries all implement connections problems as connections problems
- U.S. implements connection problems as a set of procedures


## How do we fix the problems?

- What are the Components of Number Sense?
- Language Connections!
- Classroom Implementation of the Components of Number Sense.



## Different Forms of a Number-Linking to Magnitude to Number Lines



Number Worlds

## Doug Clements, Julie Sarama

Subitizing

This is a critical skill and may lay underneath early math number sense difficulties with addition and subtraction.

Number Sense and Instructional Choices


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## Making 10: Facts within 20 $8+5$


lesson: valerie faulkner

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$$
(8+2)+3
$$

Makes
Ten

## Making 10: Facts within 20 $8+5$



Left Over
lesson: valerie faulkner


## Concrete Reality

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 8-5=8 \\
& 7-4=7
\end{aligned}
$$

# Gellman and Gallistel's (1978) <br> Counting Principles 

- 1-1 Correspondence
- Stable Order
- Cardinality
- Abstraction
- Order-Irrelevance

Geary emad Hoard, Learning Disabilities in Basic Mathematics from MathempaticalCognition, Royer, Ed.

## Abstraction

- 3 ones and 2 ones

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3 X \text { and } 2 X
$$

- 3 tens and 2 tens
- 3Y and $2 Y$
- 3 tens and 2 ones
- $3 X$ and $2 Y$
- 3/6 and 2/6
- $3 / 6$ and $2 / 5$


## Think about the power of understanding!

- Fractions

What is $45 \%$ of 80 ?

What about a child that does not know how to multiply double digit numbers or decimals?
How can we make it clear?
Why are pre-skills so important?
"Move it over two"
or
percentage and decimal relationship using the components of number sense

## 45\% and . 45


out of 100

out of 1



## Are these the same?




|  | Hundreds | Tens | Units | One <br> tenth | One <br> hundredth |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weights | $10^{2}$ | $10^{1}$ | $10^{0}$ | $10^{-1}$ | $10^{-2}$ |  |
| Digits | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 2 |  |
| Weighted <br> Value | 600 | 50 | 4 | 0.5 | 0.02 | Total <br> 654.52 |

* Table taken from Binary Number Systems, 2007

Total
654.52


## Different Forms of a Number



Number Worlds


## Proportional Reasoning?

Bean Party!


## Exponents and Geometry

What is $4^{2}$ ?
Why is it $4 \times 4$ when it looks like $4 \times 2$ ?
It means 'make a square out of your 4 unit side'

## Exponents and Geometry

What is $4^{2} ?$
--4 units--
1
1
1
1

You'd get how many little 1 by 1 inch squares?

$$
4^{2}=16
$$



Components of Number Sense (almost!)

## Story One

- You have a dime (1/10 of a dollar) and seven nickels (7/20 of a dollar).
- In fractional form show how much money you have all together.


## Story Two

- A team has two team members
- 3-point shots $1 / 10$ and $7 / 20$.
- How did the two of them perform as a team ?

Just Do It!


# How Do We Represent the Money Problem Story One? 

How do we determine this ratio?

$\begin{array}{r}45 \\ \hline 100\end{array}$

1 Dime


7 Nickels


Abstraction and Unit Size

# The unit size remains constant with money 

# How Did the Team Do Altogether Story Two? 

How do we determine this ratio?


$$
\overline{30}_{-}^{8+1}
$$



Components of Number Sense
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## We have to teach math like we teach reading!

- How is math exactly like a mystery novel?
- Do we really try to see the BIG picture?
- How does our chapter in the novel fit the whole story?

Defining Issue in Implementation

# \$Teacher's own understanding of mathematics. <br> Liping Ma 

Knowing and Teaching
Elementary Mathematics
Liping Ma

- Compare and Contrast the pedagogy of Chinese and American Teachers
- American Teachers much weaker in Content Knowledge
- American teachers teach Procedurally rather than being driven by the logic of the mathematics (implementation)
- Ma presents information through teacher responses to elementary math questions

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## Problem \#3 Division of Fractions

## $13 / 4$ divided by $1 / 2$

Give a Story Problem to show what is happening with this expression.

## Division of Fractions

## U.S. teacher's approach

Flip and multiply

Answers don't match

Confuse multipl
division by 172

## Division of Fractions

Chinese teacher's approach

Gave mathematically accurate story problem
Explained the mathematics behi
 the operation
Gave multiple mathematical constructs for division of fractions

## Division of Fractions

- What does it mean to divide by a fraction?


## Prototype for lesson construction



Mathematical Structure
Discussion of the concrete

## Division as Repeated Subtraction

Bean Party!

## Division of Fractions: Measurement Model

## How many $1 / 2$ cups would go into a $13 / 4$ cup container?



How many $1 / 2$ cup scoops? How many $1 / 2$ cup servings?


Just Do It!



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## 3. Find $x$.



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4 \mathrm{~cm}
$$



We can't teach math the way we were taught!

- Discussion in the classroom
- Multiple examples
- Make sure we master the new material before we ask children to discriminate (think of a surgeon learning a new procedure).
- Homework is made for practicing what we already know.


## Precise and Consistent Language

## Sponges!

# Some words about "Key Words" 

They don't work...

## We tell them—more means add

Erin has 46 comic books. She has 18 more comic books than Jason has. How many comic books does Jason have.

But is our answer really 64 which is $46+18 ?$

## Structures of Addition

> How many altogether?

## Join and Part-Part Whole

- There is something, and you get more of it?
- There are two kinds, how many all together?


Start Unknown

- Some are given away, some are left, how many were there to start?

Compare--total unknown

- I know one amount and I have some amount more than that--how many do I have?



## Structure

## 3 types of subtraction

Ask yourself if a problem is a subtraction problem-
Does it fit one of these three types?:

| The Classic "Take away"" | You've got some <br> (how many left?) |
| :--- | :--- |
| amount and "take |  |
| away" from it: |  |

(what's missing?)
You need some more to get where you want to be:

What ic the miccing

# STRUCTURE: <br> 3 Types of Multiplication: $4 \times 3$ 

Repeated Addition


Counting Principle


Measurement/Repeated Subtraction
"How many 2 s can I get out of 10 ? If I have 10 cups of beans
 and I give out 2 cup
? portions, how many servings will that provide?
Partitive/Unitizing/Fair Shares
"How many would 1 person get?
"What would that mean in relati


If 2 people find $\$ 10$ how much will each person

## Product/Factor

"If $I$ have an area of 10 and one side is 2 , how long is the other side?"

## Current Mid-Grant Report

Figure 1. Repeated Measures Interaction
Mathematical Know ledge for Teaching


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N=131 \text { (Madison }=85 / \text { Other }=39 / \text { Control }=7)
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