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SAMPLER Grades 1-6

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Tani walks from $\Box \Box$ to \bigcirc .	
How does he get there?	ц — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
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... offer a flexible way to motivate students and support teachers while reinforcing problem-solving and critical-thinking skills and strategies.

- Get students ready for math lessons with Daily Problems.
- Reinforce math concepts from the week with Weekly Challenges.
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Teacher's Guide

Each convenient two-page layout contains one complete



week of problems plus teacher support.



Try the sample problems on pages 4–17 with your students!

GRADE 1

WEEK 18

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DAY ONE

Write as many addition and subtraction sentences as you can with the numbers 9, 16, and 7.



- 1. What number comes just **before** 40?
- 2. What number comes **between** 26 and 28?
- 3. What number comes just after 55?

DAY THREE

Write the missing numbers in the pattern.

5, ____, 15, ____, 30, ____, ____

What is the rule?

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GRADE 2

WEEK 18

DAY ONE

- **1.** Which number is the spinner more likely to land on?
- 2. Which number is the spinner less likely to land on?
- 3. Is it certain or impossible that you will spin a 3?



DAY TWO

- 1. Write the year you were born.
- Draw a box around the last two digits of the 2. year you were born.
- 3. Subtract 39 from that number. What is the difference?



GRADE 2

DAY FOUR

Follow the directions. Where do you end?





Daniel used the tally table to make a bar graph.

Do you have a brother?				
Yes	HH			
No	IHT			

- **1.** What did he do wrong?
- 2. How could he fix it?

Do you have a brother?



GRADE 3

WEEK 18

DAY ONE

Gaston buys a shirt for \$9.39. He pays with the fewest number of coins and bills possible. What coins and bills does Gaston use?



2. How many red and green apples did she buy?

DAY THREE

What numbers come next in the pattern? Why do you think they come next?

100, 211, 322, 433, ____, ____

GRADE 3

WEEK 18

DAY FOUR

Give the ordered pair for each point on the grid.





Use a total of 6 smaller shapes to make the larger shape. You may use each shape more than once. Tell how many of each shape you used. Draw a picture of your work.

GRADE 4

WEEK 14

DAY ONE

Suke is 3 years older than Lauren. Is the sum of their ages an odd number or an even number? Explain.



GRADE 4

WEEK 14

DAY FOUR

A movie costs \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Mr. and Mrs. Kuan and their four children go to the movies. How much does it cost?



Use this system to write 132 and 314.

GRADE 5

WEEK 14

DAY ONE

- **1.** Name all the factors of 12.
- Name three multiples of 12. 2.
- Find a number which is both a factor of 12 3. and a multiple of 12.



A car traveled 230 miles on 9 gallons of gas. How many miles per gallon did the car get on that trip?

DAY THREE

An 8-in. snowfall is equivalent to about an inch of rain.

- 1. About how much rain would a 20-in. snowfall equal? a 10-in. snowfall?
- **2.** If a $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. rainfall were all snow, about how much snow would that be?

GRADE 5

WEEK 14

DAY FOUR

Lisa has been saving her baby-sitting money. "I have about \$600 in the bank now," she said. Suppose Lisa had rounded the amount to the nearest hundred. What might her actual bank balance be? How high might it be? How low? Explain.



GRADE 6

WEEK 29

DAY ONE

There are 12 blue socks and 6 black socks in a drawer. You are dressing in the dark, and you take socks out of the drawer at random, one at a time. How many socks must you remove to be certain that you have a matching pair?



Find the mean, the median, and the mode for this set of numbers.

3, 4, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19, 19, 19

DAY THREE

Hiroshi walked to the park, while his sister, Anzu, rode her bike. It took Hiroshi 36 minutes, but Anzu made it in 18 minutes. Hiroshi walked at about 4 mph. How fast did Anzu ride?

GRADE 6

WEEK 29

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DAY FOUR

Figure *MNOP* is a parallelogram, with M = (2,1), N = (5,4), and O = (9,4). What are the coordinates of Point *P*? Sketch *MNOP*. What is the area of *MNOP*?

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	Twelve	Twelve quantities are listed. Which are equal?						
	40%	<u>1</u> 3	<u>24</u> 60	<u>2</u> 5				
	<mark>⊧1</mark> 4	25%	0.4	<u>15</u> 45				
	0.40	0.25	_ <u>9</u> 36	0.250				

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GRADE 1

WEEK 18

Day one answers

9 + 7 = 16; 7 + 9 = 16; 16 - 7 = 9; 16 - 9 = 7 Make sure that children use all three numbers in each addition and subtraction sentence. Tell children that the four number sentences that they wrote are the fact family for 9, 16, and 7.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Algebra; Connections

Day two answers

1. 39 **2.** 27 **3**. 56

Some children may need to look at a hundred chart to answer the questions. Others will be able to answer the questions using mental math.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Algebra

Day three answers

10; 20; 25; 35; 40

Rule: Count by fives.

If this is too easy for some children, have them extend the pattern all the way to 100.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Algebra; Problem Solving

GRADE 2

Day one answers

1. 2

3. Impossible

WEEK 18

2. 1 As an extension, give children spinners divided and labeled like this one. Have them spin the spinner 10 times and record their results in a tally table.

NCTM Standards Data Analysis and Probability

Day two answers

Answers will varv.

Check children's answers. Children may not be familiar with the term digits. Show them an example of how to solve the problem using some other year, for example 1976. Draw a box around 76. Subtract 39. The difference is 37. If children don't know what year they were born, then give them an approximate year to use.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Measurement; Connections

Day three answers

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NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Reasoning and Proof; Representation

GRADE 3

WEEK 18

Day one answers

one \$5 bill, four \$1 bills, one quarter, one dime, four pennies Students may need to use play money or draw a picture of the transaction to solve.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Problem Solving; Connections

Day two answers

1. Check students' drawinas. 2. 8 red, 4 green

Finding a fraction of a group can be more challenging than finding a fraction of a whole. Some students may need to use connecting cubes before drawing a picture.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Problem Solving; Representation

Day three answers

544, 655

Explanations will vary.

Possible explanations: Each digit increases by 1 each time; the pattern is to keep adding 111. Accept other answers and explanations that students can justify.

NCTM Standards Algebra; Problem Solving; Communication

Weekday Workouts for Math

Day four answers

right 2, up 3

Using the directions *right* and *up* to move on a grid prepares children for learning about ordered pairs and coordinate graphing in later grades.

NCTM Standards Algebra; Geometry; Data Analysis and Probability

Day five answers

Answers will vary.

Some possible ways to sort the shapes are: small/large; triangles/ circles/squares; shapes with 0 corners/shapes with 3 or more corners. Accept other reasonable answers as you check children's drawings.

NCTM Standards Geometry; Data Analysis and Probability; Reasoning and Proof

Day four answers

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25'''+'''19'''='''44; 44'''+'''32'''='''76; 76'''-'''50'''='''26; 26'''+'''25'''='''51; 51‴-‴29‴=‴22

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Problem Solving

Day five answers

- **1.** He made the bars the wrong heights.
- The bar for yes should go up to 7 and the bar for no 2. should go up to 5.
- NCTM Standards Data Analysis and Probability; Problem Solving; Communication

Day four answers

A (2, 6) **B** (9, 2) **C** (4, 4) **D** (5, 9) **E** (7, 7)

Remind students that the first number in an ordered pair tells how many units to move horizontally and the second number tells how many units to move vertically.

NCTM Standards Algebra; Data Analysis and Probability; Representation

Day five answers

3 triangles and 3 squares;



Encourage students to try to figure out the answer by drawing a picture. If they are struggling, allow them to use pattern blocks.

NCTM Standards Geometry; Connections; Representation

GRADE 4

WEEK 14

Day one answers

An odd number; Whatever their ages, one is odd, the other even, so the sum is odd.

Discuss several examples of Suke's and Lauren's possible ages, such as 9 and 6, or 10 and 7, or 16 and 13 to show that the sum is always odd.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Reasoning and Proof

Day two answers

 $\frac{12 \text{ days}}{(16+20+6+11+9+10)} = \frac{72}{6} = 12$

Consider having students make a line graph of the data. NCTM Standards Data Analysis and Probability; Connections

Day three answers

Greater than $\frac{1}{5}$: $\frac{5}{8}$, $\frac{2}{5}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{3}{5}$, $\frac{4}{7}$

Less than $\frac{1}{2}$: $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{2}{5}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{3}{7}$

You may wish to position the fractions on a number line to show on which side of $\frac{1}{2}$ the fractions appear.

NCTM Standards Number and Operations

GRADE 5

WEEK 14

Day one answers

1. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12

- Any three of the following: 12, 24, 36, 48, 60, . . . 2.
- 3. 12

Students often confuse factor and multiple. Remind them to think "multiply" when finding a multiple. NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Algebra

Day two answers

About 26 miles per gallon 230 ÷ 9'''='''25.555 NCTM Standards Connections; Problem Solving

Day three answers

1. $2 \neq \frac{1}{2}$ in.; $1 \neq \frac{1}{4}$ in. 2. 6 in.

Actually, the ratio of 8 in. of snow to 1 in. of rain is not exact. It depends on how dry and powdery the snow is. One inch of rain may be equivalent to just 3 or 4 in. of slushy wet snow, or up to 16 in. or so of very powdery snow.

NCTM Standards Problem Solving; Number and Operations; Connections

GRADE 6

WEEK 29

Day one answers

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Explain that, after you remove 3 socks, the only possibilities are: 3 black; 2 black, 1 blue; 1 black, 2 blue; and 3 blue. There is always a matched pair with 3 socks.

NCTM Standards Data Analysis and Probability; Reasoning and Proof

Day two answers

Mean: 11; Median: 9; Mode: 19

Remind students to find the mean by adding the numbers and dividing by the number of items: $143 \div 13'''='''11$. The median is the middle number when there are an odd number of items and numbers are listed in order. The mode is the most frequent number. NCTM Standards Number and Operations; Data Analysis and Probability

Day three answers

8 mph

Explain that Anzu made it in half the time. Therefore, she must have gone twice as fast.

NCTM Standards Problem Solving

Day four answers

\$22

There are two adults $(2''' \times ''' \$5''' = ''' \$10)$ and four children $(4''' \times ''' \$3''' = ''' \$12)$, so it costs \$10 + \$12 = \$22. NCTM Standards Problem Solving

Day five answers



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Day four answers

Her balance is at least \$550, but less than \$650. 550 is the smallest number which rounds up to 600. Since 650 or higher would round to 700, the balance must be less than 650.

NCTM Standards Representation; Connections; Communication

Day five answers

B, A, C Fig. A Area =""15""×""20""=""300 Fig. B Area = $\frac{1}{2}$ × 18 × 30 = 10 × 30 = 270 Fig. C Area =^{*m*}18^{*m*}×^{*m*}18^{*m*}=^{*m*}324 NCTM Standards Geometry; Number and Operations

Day four answers

P = (6,1); Area = 12 square units Check students' graphs. Explain that, using P = (6, 1), the base of the parallelogram is 4 and the height is 3. Point out that P could also be (12,7) or (-2,1), but (6,1) is the most obvious answer.

NCTM Standards Measurement; Geometry

Day five answers $\frac{1}{3}$ "=" $\frac{15}{45}$ $40\%'''=\frac{2}{5}''=\frac{24}{60}''=10.4'''=10.40$

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 $\frac{1}{4}$ ""="" $\frac{9}{36}$ ""=""0.25""=""0.250""=""25%

NCTM Standards Number and Operations: Representation

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