Problem Solving K-2 Birdville ISD April 12, 2014



Think-Puzzle-Explore: **Problem Solving**



Challenges students face when solving applications in mathematics

- Brainstorm 5 or more major challenges students face when solving rigorous problems in mathematics.
- You will share with your **shoulder partner** when **think time** is up and **I say go**.
- Think Time begins now...

What are the characteristics of good problem solvers?

Write down as many characteristics that you can think of.
You have 2 minutes



An Effective Problem Solver

- Reads the problem carefully
- Defines the type of answer that is required
- Identifies important information and words
- Accesses background knowledge regarding a similar situation
- Eliminates extraneous information
- Uses a graphic organizer
- Sets up the problem correctly
- Uses mental math and estimation
- Checks the answer for reasonableness
- Make mental pictures (Visualize)







Read Lee	Plan Planea	
What information am I given? Qué información tengo?	What is my plan or strategy? ¿Cuál es mi plan o estrategia?	
	Solve Resuelve	
Show how you solve the problem. Muestra cómo resuelves el problema.		

Why UPSC?



Understand the problem:	Plan how to solve the problem:
Mr. Johnson's class 21 total students, but 7 were gone one day. I need to know how many kids were in his class that day.	I think a subtraction problem would help me figure out the answer.
Solve the problem:	Check your answer:
21 - 7 = 14	14 + 7 = 21

Kindergarten UPSC Understand the problem. Plan how to solve it. Solve it and show your thinking. Check your work.

Process Standards

In grades K-5, the TEKS outline **Seven** process standards, which "describe ways in which students are expected to engage in the content."

The process standards were intentionally listed at the **beginning** of the knowledge and skills for each grade level to emphasize the integrated importance of the process standards.

These process standards represent the thinking, habits, and processes through which a student engages with mathematics to acquire and demonstrate mathematical thinking.



NEW process standards

Problem-Solving Model	
Current TEKS	Revised TEKS (2012)
Understanding the Problem	Analyzing given information
Making a plan	Formulating a plan or strategy
Carrying out the plan	Determining a solution
Evaluating the solution for	Justifying the solution
reasonableness	Evaluating the problem-solving
	process and the
	reasonableness of the solution

Problem Solving...Revised TEKS

K.13B/1.11B/2.12B Solve problems with guidance that incorporate the process of understanding the problem, making a plan, carrying out the plan, and evaluating the solution of reasonableness

K.13C/1.11C/2.12C Select or develop and use an appropriate problem-solving plan or strategy including drawing a picture, looking for a pattern, systematic guessing and checking, or acting it out in order to solve a problem K.1B/1.1B/2.1B Use a problem-solving model that incorporates analyzing given information, formulating a plan or strategy, determining a solution, justifying the solution, and evaluating the problem-solving process and the reasonableness of the solution

Today's TEKS Focus			
Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade	
Modeling Addition and Subtraction	Modeling Addition and Subtraction	Use Equations to Represent Problems	
K.3 (A) The student is expected to: model the action of joining to represent addition and the action of separating to represent subtraction.	1.3 (B) use objects and pictorial models to solve word problems involving joining, separating, and comparing sets within 20 and unknowns as any one of the terms in the problem such as 2 + 4 = []; 3 + [] = 7; and 5 = [] - 3	2.4 (C) solve one-step and multi- step word problems involving addition and subtraction within 1,000 using a variety of strategies based on place value, including algorithms.	
Use story mats and manipulatives to develop joining and separating up to 20 objects.	Use organizers to bridge the development of addition and subtraction to the abstract of writing number sentences.	Use story mats, UPSC model, and manipulatives to use equations.	

Modeling Addition and Subtraction



5 E Model Addition & Subtraction (Kindergarten)

Engage	Use questions eliciting prior knowledge about experiences going to zoos and being in plays. Read the story.
Explore & Explain	Reread the story with students acting it out physically and with manipulatives of a zoo mat and animal cards pointing out separating, joining, and relating to the size of the group (linking cubes are also available).
Elaborate 1	Students will use animal cards or linking cubes.
Elaborate 2	Students will again experience joining and separating of sets with a beach mat and sea shells.
Evaluate	Students choose beach mat or zoo mat and are given 3 scenarios to solve with manipulatives; students will create a scenario.

5 E Model Addition & Subtraction (Grade 1)

Engage	Use questions eliciting prior knowledge about experiences with zoos and being in plays. Read the story while students physically act it out with manipulatives.
Explore 1	Addition will be modeled with the visual of the part/part whole mat and zoo mat with the poem.
Explain 1	Read the story and experience using the part/part whole mat with the addition portion of the story.
Explore 2	Subtraction will be modeled with the visual of the part/part whole mat and zoo mat with the poem.
Explain 2	Finish the story and experience using the part/part whole mat with the subtraction portion of the story.
Elaborate	Students will embellish the zoo story by drawing the new story and writing the matching number sentence.
Evaluate	The students will create and write a new scenario, then give the story to a partner and let the partner write the number sentence.



Linking Cubes or Cards to Represent Characters

1 gorilla – 1 blue cube

2 elephants – 2 white cubes

3 tigers – 3 orange cubes

4 parrots – 4 red cubes

5 monkeys – 5 brown cubes









One gorilla is out of his cage, Oh my, what a rage!













Two elephants followed in line, Parading, strutting, looking fine!











Three tigers let out a roar, As they join the fun galore.







Four parrots flew the coop, What a crazy looking group.







There are 10 animals out of their cages. If the 5 monkeys join them how many animals will be out of their cage?

UNDERSTAND	PLAN
I need to find	<u>Use my cubes or cards</u>
	to join the monkeys
How many animals are	with the other animals
out of their Cage in all	and Count them.
SOLVE	CHECK
Students use mats to	
solve.	15

Time to Reflect

Which manipulative is easier to use and to understand the concepts for this activity?



Part-Part-Whole Mat for Addition



Explore



Part-Part-Whole Mat







Five monkeys scream and shout. It doesn't take long for them to get out!







Cling! Clang! It's dinner time! Five monkeys swing home in rhyme.







CONNECT

Four parrots hungry for seed Quickly fly back to feed.









Three tigers smell red meat, As they swiftly spring to their feet.







Two elephants run for food. They must eat not to be rude!









One gorilla, sad and blue, What do **you** think he should do?





Time to Reflect

How did we use visuals to move the students from the concrete to the abstract level of learning?



Activity	Concrete	Pictorial	Abstract/ Generalization
Zoo story – Acting it out as in a play	 Kids are experiencing a tactile and kinesthetic activity. Kids see a physical representation and interaction with the story. The purpose of acting it out is to allow all students to create a common experience on which they can draw. Acting it out provides students an opportunity to connect language with action. 	Act It Out Animal Card Placards • Students model the poem wearing pictures of animals around their neck.	 Students begin to generalize that joining means that the group is getting larger. Students begin to generalize that separates means the group is getting smaller. Students can also generalize that if no animals join, then the group stays the same. Students begin to generalize what happens to the group size and the reasonableness to their answers.

Time for a brain break...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kLTKlwNZGjw

Use Equations to Represent Problems

Second Grade Lesson



Use Equations to Represent Problems (Grade 2)		
Engage	Use questions eliciting prior knowledge about addition and subtraction. Show video to excite students.	
Explore	Have the students choral read the problem given in the video. Students will use a story mat, manipulatives and the UPSC model.	
Explain	Addition and subtraction will be modeled with the visual of the part/part whole mat and story mat with the poem.	
Elaborate	Students will use their UPSC model to work through the problem and write corresponding equations.	
Evaluate	Students can create their own story problem and ask a partner to create the equation.	

Use equations to represent problems.

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There were some ducks in a pond. Four more ducks joined them. Then there were 13 ducks in the pond. How many ducks were in the pond at first?

UNDERSTAND	PLAN	
I need to find		
How many ducks were in the	Use my part-part-whole mat	
pond before 4 more came.	and cubes because I have the	
<u>?</u> +4 = 13	whole and I am missing a part.	
<u>I am missing a part.</u>		
SOLVE	CHECK $9 + 4 = 13$	
Students use mats to solve.	13 - 4 = 9	
Students can draw a picture.	There were 9 ducks in the pond at first.	
	Students can also draw a picture	
	here.	



Emphasis on Questioning

- Plan questions while preparing lessons
- Increase wait time
- Ask for paraphrases
- Record your lessons to monitor levels of questioning

Content Vocabulary

3 A three-dimensional figure is shown below.



How many vertices does this figure have?

- A 10
- **B** 16
- C 24
- D 8

Content Vocabulary

- 18 Mr. Neufeld grew a vegetable garden last year. The list below shows the number of three vegetables he grew.
 - 718 onions
 - 374 potatoes
 - 187 cucumbers

Which expression shows the best way to estimate the difference between the number of potatoes and the number of cucumbers Mr. Neufeld grew in his garden?

- F 370 + 190
- **G** 400 + 100
- **H** 400 100
- **J** 370 190

Focal Areas

• Understanding counting and cardinality.

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1

2

- Understanding addition as joining and subtraction as separating.
 - Comparing objects by measurable attributes.
 - Understanding and applying place value.
- Solving problems involving addition and subtraction.
- Composing and decomposing two-dimensional shapes and threedimensional solids.
- Making comparisons within the base-10 place value system.
- Solving problems with addition and subtraction within 1,000.
 - Building foundations for multiplication.



We need your input.

Professional Learning Surveys:

We have created some surveys so that we can elicit feedback from all of the participants about the trainings they attend. Visit the website below and complete the appropriate survey(s).

http://schools.birdvilleschools.net/surveys

The surveys will be open until April 18 and reminders will go out through Mark Thomas next week, but we would like for you to complete your survey today if possible.