## First Grade Mathematics Newsletter

Marking Period 2, Part 2

| MT | Learning Goals by Measurement Topic (MT) <br> Students will be able to ... |  |
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|  | - explain the meaning of the equal sign (=). <br> - use counting strategies to add and subtract. <br> The equal sign means that the quantity <br> - add and subtract within 20 using multiple on the left is the same as the quantity on strategies. the right. Understanding the meaning of <br> - add and subtract within 20 to solve word the equal sign serves as a foundation for problems by using objects, drawings, and early algebraic thinking. equations. <br> - solve word problems with three addends (sum less than 20) using objects, drawing, and equations. <br> addition equation with three addends <br> addends |  |
| Thinking and Academic Success Skills (TASS) |  |  |
|  | It is ... | In mathematics, students will . . . |
| त ¢ ¢ I | generating multiple responses to a problem or an idea. | - solve addition and subtraction equations and word problems using multiple strategies. <br> - actively participate in math discussions by asking questions about the strategies used by both the teacher and peers. <br> - identify many combinations of three addends for a given sum |
|  | accepting uncertainty or challenging the norm to reach a goal. | - volunteer an answer even if there is a possibility of being incorrect. <br> - ask for help and make changes in thinking when a strategy or problem is confusing. <br> - create and solve original word problems. |

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| Learning Experiences by Measurement Topic (MT) |  |  |
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| MT | $\xrightarrow{3}$ In school, your child will . . | At home, your child can ... |
|  | - practice adding and subtracting by playing math games. <br> - write equations with a symbol to represent the unknown (a missing number) when solving word problems. <br> Two bunnies sat on the grass. Three more bunnies hopped there. How many bunnies are on the grass now? <br> Equation: $\square=2+3$ Answer: 5 bunnies <br> Five apples were on the table. I ate two apples. How many apples are on the table now? <br> Equation: 5-2 $=\square \quad$ Answer: 3 apples <br> - add three whole numbers with a sum less than 20 by using objects, drawings, and equations. <br> - identify three possible addends for a given sum. <br> For example: $10=\square+\square+\square$ One possible answer: $10=3+2+5$ | - play an addition game to practice adding. Collect a small pile of objects (cereal, pennies, toys, etc.). Split the objects into three groups. Say or write an equation to represent the groupings of objects. For example, "I have 16 beans. I can split the beans into groups of 5, 7 , and 4 . So, $5+7+4=16$." Put the piles back together and split the objects again in a different way. Repeat until all possible combinations are found. <br> - practice making 10. <br> - create and solve addition and subtraction word problems about personal interests or everyday life. For example, "I had 8 chicken nuggets on my plate. I ate some and now I have 4 left. How many chicken nuggets did I eat?" <br> - take an intellectual risk by practicing multiple ways to make the same sum using three addends on an online resource: http://www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/countmei n/children_addition_wheel.html |

