

# Livingston Public Schools: Bringing Math into Focus

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# Vision of Livingston Elementary Mathematics

$$2+2=4$$



Everyone can learn  
math to the highest  
levels.



Math class is  
about learning  
not performing.



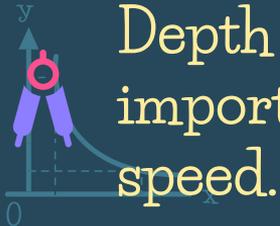
Mistakes are  
valuable.



Math is about  
connections and  
communicating.



Questions are  
really important.



Depth is more  
important than  
speed.



Math is about  
creativity and  
making sense.

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# Math in Focus Overview



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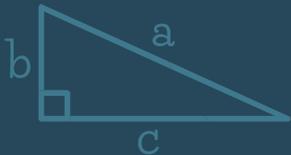
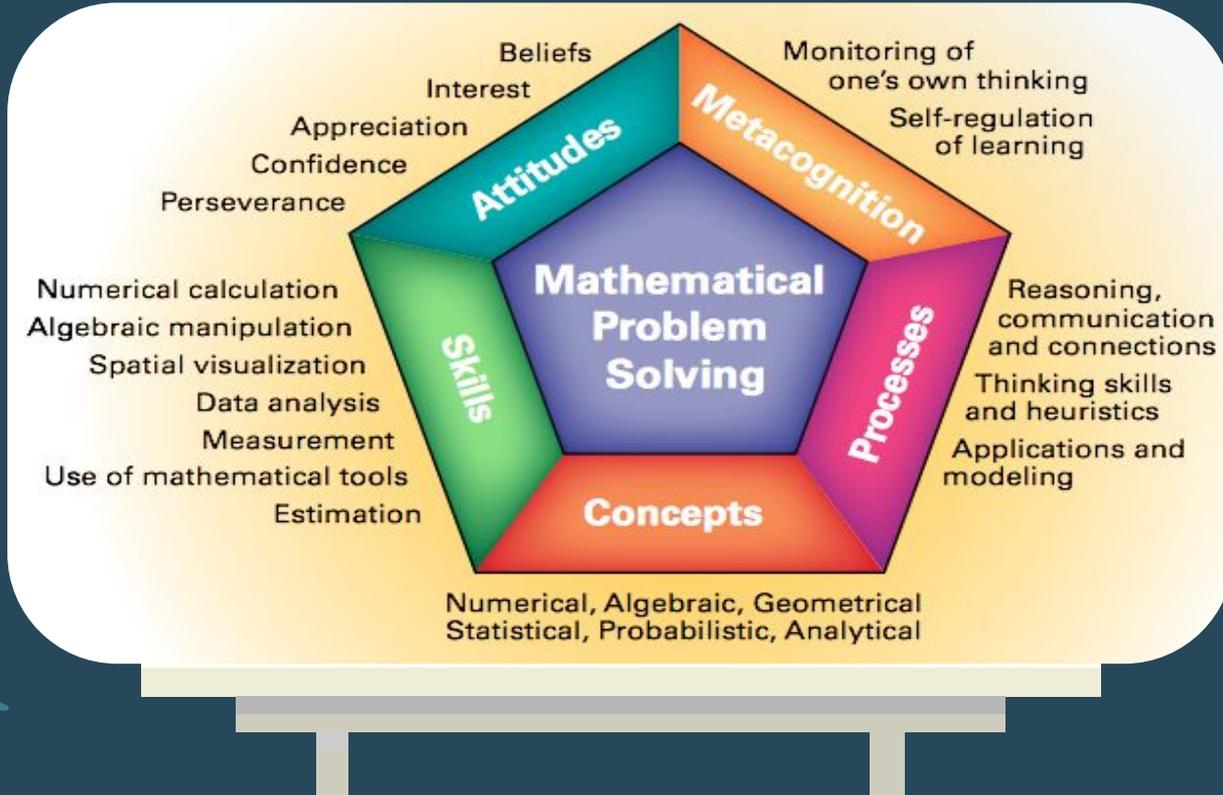
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# Singapore Mathematics Framework

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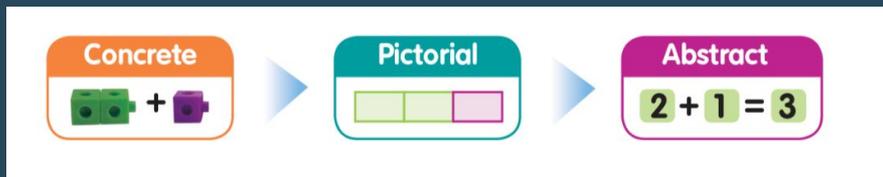




# Key Instructional Strategies

> Concrete-Pictorial-Abstract

≥ Visualization



A collage of various mathematical visualization strategies:

- Ten frames:** Shows two ten frames. The first has 2 red flowers and 2 yellow flowers, labeled '2 two'. The second has 3 blue houses, labeled '3 three'.
- Number bonds:** A diagram showing 5 and 3 in circles connected to 8, with the equation  $5 + 3 = 8$  or  $3 + 5 = 8$ .
- Number lines:** A number line from 4,234 to 4,249 with arrows indicating jumps of +1. It highlights that 4,241 is 1 more than 4,240 and 4,242 is 1 less than 4,243.
- Ten frames:** Shows two ten frames. The first has 2 red flowers and 2 yellow flowers, labeled '2 two'. The second has 3 blue houses, labeled '3 three'.
- Place-value charts:** A chart with columns for Thousands (1 cube), Hundreds (4 flats), Tens (7 rods), and Ones (5 units).
- Fraction models:** Shows a circle divided into 2 halves, which is then divided into 4 quarters, illustrating  $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4}$ .
- Fraction models:** Shows a grid representing  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$ .



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# Key Instructional Strategies



Problem Solving

Polya's 4 Step Problem Solving Method

Step 1 - Understand the Problem

Step 2 - Think of a Plan

Step 3 - Carry out the plan

Step 4 - Check your answer



Heuristics

Look for Patterns

Work Backwards

Make a List

Guess & Check

Draw a Picture/Model

Act it Out

Solve Part of the Problem

Solve an Equation

Use a Model

Solve a Simpler Problem

Be Ingenious

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# Math In Focus Classroom - Looks Like Sounds Like



- Engagement
- Depth vs. Breadth
- Mathematical Discourse
- Teacher as the facilitator
- Differentiation
- Hands on Exploration
- Mistakes are opportunities for learning
- Mastery of content standards
- Excitement

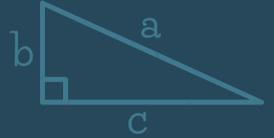
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# Using Data to Focus Practice



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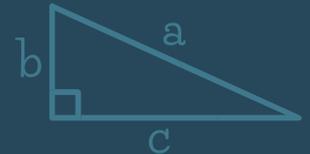
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“Assessment is an ongoing awareness of students’ learning and their needs, rather than an occasional event in the program. Minute-by-minute observations of students, along with an understanding of how children learn, allow teachers to make valid decisions and judgements ...”

(Guide to Effective Instruction - Volume 4, 2006)



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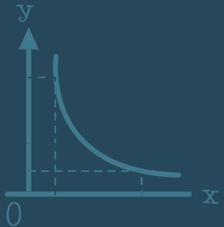


## Summative Assessment

Opportunities for students to apply the mathematics they have learned in new, or novel, situations. Being able to apply the mathematics is the true test of whether the students have developed understanding or are just merely able to repeat a procedure.

## Formative Assessment

Used consistently to help shape the direction of the lessons based upon student understanding.



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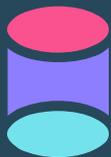
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# Look Fors in Formative Assessments

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## Mathematical Discourse

Are students able to communicate their ideas? What noticings do students have? Are they making connections between content? Are there naive conceptions?



## CPA Progression

Can students work through the concrete, pictorial, and abstract stages of a skill?



## Heuristics

Do students persevere in solving problems through the use of strategies?

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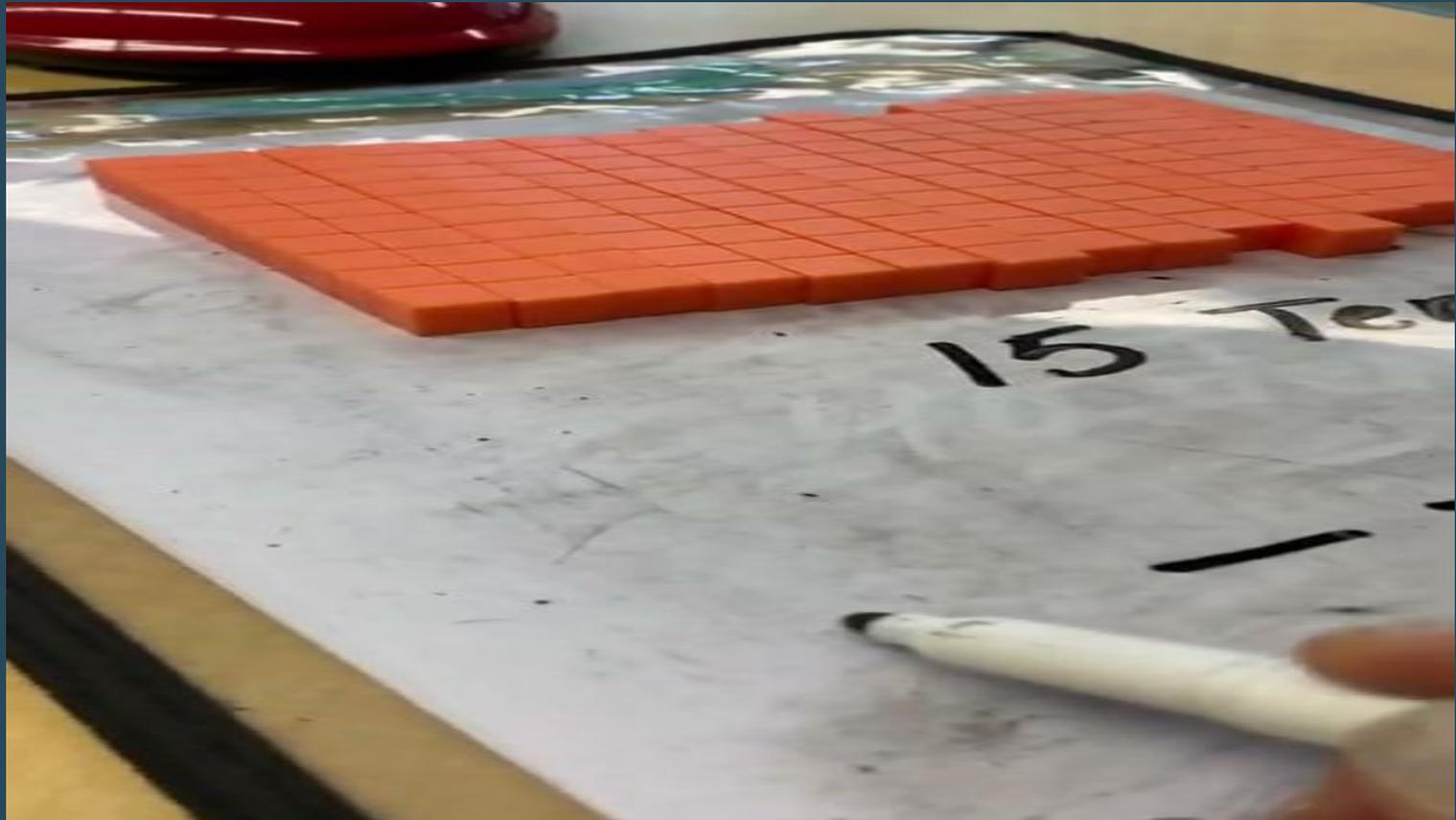
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# Video of CPA Progression

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# Formative Assessment Opportunities: By Lesson

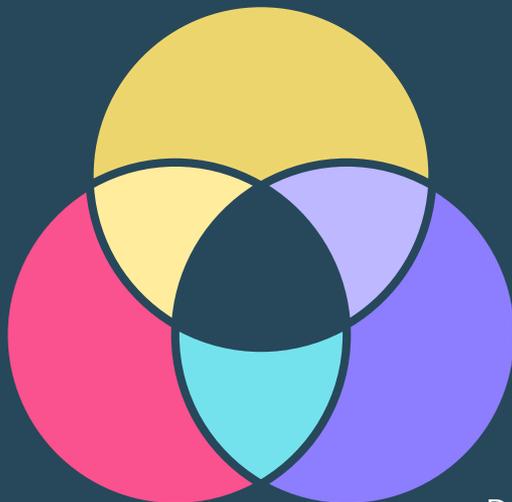
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## Recall Prior Knowledge and Quick Check

Activate and review student schema. Gives teacher **data to determine if students are ready for the chapter or a review is needed.**

## Think & Engage

Inquiry based activities. Data on strategies and approaches.



## Independent Practice

Data is collected on individual students progress through the mastery of the skill. On level, remediation, and enrichment groups are formed.

## Try

Guided practice. Data is collected on student strengths and misconceptions to begin determination of small groups.

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# Recall Prior Knowledge

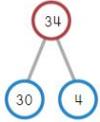
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## Adding mentally

a  $34 + 2 = ?$



$$4 + 2 = 6$$

$$30 + 6 = 36$$

So,  $34 + 2 = 36$ .

### Quick Check

Add mentally.

1  $46 + 3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2  $78 + 20 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

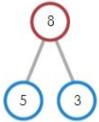
## Adding three numbers

$5 + 8 + 4 = ?$

**STEP 1** Make 10.  
 $5 + 5 = 10$

**STEP 2**  $10 + 3 = 13$

**STEP 3**  $13 + 4 = 17$

So,  $5 + 8 + 4 = 17$ .

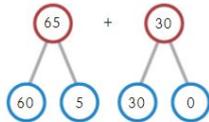
### Quick Check

Add.

3  $3 + 6 + 5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

4  $6 + 9 + 2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

b  $65 + 30 = ?$



$$60 + 30 = 90$$

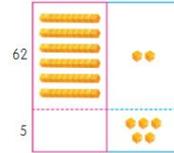
$$5 + 0 = 5$$

$$90 + 5 = 95$$

So,  $65 + 30 = 95$ .

## Adding without regrouping

$62 + 5 = ?$



### Step 1

Add the ones.

Tens	Ones
6	2
+	5
	7

2 ones + 5 ones  
= 7 ones

### Step 2

Add the tens.

Tens	Ones
6	2
+	5
6	7

6 tens + 0 tens  
= 6 tensSo,  $62 + 5 = 67$ .

### Quick Check

5  $53 + 4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$$\begin{array}{r} 53 \\ + 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

6  $82 + 7 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

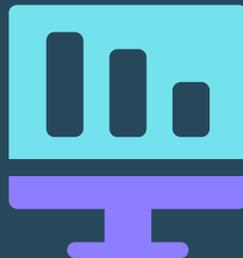
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- Presented & discussed prior to each chapter
- Represents prerequisite skills needed to be successful within chapter
- A teacher gathers data of student schema and determines if prior lessons are needed to prepare students for chapter within whole group or small group.

# $x/2y$ Formative Assessment Opportunities: $+$ By $x$ Concept

## Math Journal

Data is collected to determine if the concepts students have learned can be applied through thinking and writing.



## Put on Your Thinking Cap

Application based. Data is collected on if students can use heuristics to solve problems.

## Performance Task

Rubric based. Data is collected through student conversation and modeling.

## Chapter Review

Assesses the learning of the concepts and skills within the chapter.

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# Put on Your Thinking Cap!

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**PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAP!**

### Problem Solving with Heuristics

**1 Mathematical Habit 1 Persevere in solving problems**  
Make two 3-digit numbers from the numbers below.  
Use each number once.  
What are the two 3-digit numbers that give the greatest answer  
when you add them?

3 5 2 4 1 0

Which two numbers can you add to get the greatest hundreds?



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- Focuses on Mathematical Habits
- Application based
- Teacher gathers data to determine student ability to utilize heuristics when faced with a novel problem.

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# Summative Assessments

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## Chapter Assessment

Comprised of direct application and novel problems. Assessment of mastery.



## Cumulative Assessments

Comprised of direct application and novel problems over two or more chapters.

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# Next Steps

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## Building Flexibility

Daily data collection drives planning and instruction



## Write/Revise Curriculum

Update with all assessments and purpose in 2nd grade. Write 3rd grade.

## Assessments

Determine common assessment types by grade



## Data Collection

Formalize warehousing of data

## Expand Capacity

Utilize PLC approach to analyze and facilitate data conversations

