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103	Leapfrog Fractions	2009	NP	Equ. fractions adding to one whole
106	Texting	2009	DA	Read interpret construct line plots
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NP=Number Properties NO=Number Operations PFA=Patterns Functions Algebra GM=Geometry & Measurement DA=Data Analysis

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Student Task	Solve problems about divisors and multiples in a geometric context.
Core Idea 2 Number Operations	 Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently. Develop fluency with basic number combinations for multiplication and division and use these combinations to mentally compute related problems
Core Idea 3 Geometry and Measurement	 Use characteristics, properties, and relationships of two- dimensional geometric shapes and apply appropriate techniques to determine measurements. Recognize geometric ideas and relationships and apply them to problems. (3rd grade) Identify and compare attributes of two-dimensional shape and develop vocabulary to describe the attributes.

4th grade Task 1 Shapes with Straws

Shapes with Straws

This problem gives you the chance to: • solve problems about divisors and multiples in a geometric context

Anna's class is making decorations using drinking straws. The students thread the straws together with string and then spray them with silver and gold paint. The shapes the students have made are shown below.



3. Anna's class wants to make 9 triangles and 5 hexagons. How many straws do the students need in all? Show how you figured this out.

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Shapes with Straws Test 4: Form A

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Shapes with Straws Test 4 Form	n A Ru	ıbric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • solve problems about divisors and multiples in a geometric context Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows:	Points	Section Points
 Gives correct answers as: 		
square $= 4$		
triangle $=$ 3		
pentagon = 5		
hexagon $= 6$		
All four correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit:		
Three or two correct answers: 1 point	(1)	2
Gives correct answers as:		
6 squares or 8 triangles or 4 hexagons or 4 pentagons		
All four correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit:		
Three or two correct answers: 1 point	(1)	
Gives explanation such as:		
I divided 24 by the number of sides in each shape.	1	
or	or	
I divided 24 by 4 then 3 then 6 then 5.	1	
Accept repeated subtraction/addition strategies.		
Partitioning must use exactly 24 straws.		3
Gives correct answer as:		
57	1	
Shows work such as:		
$9 \times 3 \text{ or } 27$		
$5 \times 6 \text{ or } 30$		
27 + 30 = 57		
Allow 1 point for each correct multiplication if there is no blatant error in the explanation.	2 imes 1	3
Total Points		8

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4 th grade		Task	2		Nun	nbe	r 7	[rain	IS	
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Student	Solve problems about factors and multiples in a toy train context.
Task	
Core Idea	Understand patterns and use mathematical models to represent
3	and to understand qualitative and quantitative relationships.
Patterns,	• Use inverse operations to solve multi-step problems
Functions,	• Understand and use the concept of equality
and Algebra	
Core Idea	Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to
2	each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently.
Number	• Develop fluency with basic number combinations for
Operations	multiplication and division and use these combinations to
	mentally compute related problems

Number Trains

This problem gives you the chance to: • solve problems about factors and multiples in a toy context

Sally is making number trains. Each train has an engine and two boxcars. Each engine and each boxcar has a number.

Each engine can pull two boxcars **only** when the product of the two boxcar numbers is equal to the engine number.

For example, engine number 12 can pull boxcars with numbers 1 and 12 because $12 = 1 \times 12$.

Put **different** pairs of numbers into the empty boxcars so that the engines can pull them. The first number train has been done for you.



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4. Two boxcars have the numbers 2 and 18.



What is the number of the engine that can pull these two boxcars?

List the other 4 pairs of boxcar numbers that can be pulled by this engine.

(a) _____ × ____

(b) _____ × ____

(c) _____ × ____

(d) ______ × _____

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Number Trains Test 4: Form A

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Number Trains Test 4 Fo	rm A Rı	ıbric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • solve problems about factors and multiples in a toy context Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows:	Points	Section Points
 Gives correct answers as: 		
(2, 6)		
(5, 4) Both answers correct: 1 point	1	1
2. Gives correct answers as:		
(1, 18) (2, 9) (3, 6)		
All three correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit: Two or one correct answers: 1 point	(1)	2
 Gives correct answers as: 		
(1, 24) (2, 12) (3, 8) (4, 6)		
All four correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit: Three or two correct answers: 1 point	(1)	2
Gives correct answer as:		
Engine Number $= 36$	1	
Gives correct answers as:		
(1, 36) (3, 12) (4, 9) (6, 6)		
All four correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit: Three or two correct answers: 1 point	(1)	3
Total Point	5	8

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4 th grade	Task 3	Hexagon Desks
Student Task	Find, extend, and analy around hexagonal desks number pattern informa	ze a number pattern involving chairs placed s. Plot and use a graph to display the tion.
Core Idea	Understand patterns a	and use mathematical models to
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5	represent and to understand quantative and quantitative
Patterns,	relationships.
Functions, and	• Represent and analyze patterns and functions using words,
Algebra	tables, and graphs
	• Find the results of a rule for a specific value
	• Use concrete, pictorial, and verbal representations to solve problems involving unknowns.

Hexagon Desks

This problem gives you the chance to:

find and extend a number pattern

plot and use a graph

Sarah finds how many students can sit around a row of desks. The top surface of each desk is a hexagon, and the hexagons are arranged in rows of different shapes.



1. Complete Sarah's table.

Number of desks in a row	Number of students
1	6
2	10
3	
4	
5	
6	

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Hexagon Desks Test 4: Form A

2. On the grid, plot the results from the table you completed in question 1. The first two points have already been plotted for you.



3. Sarah says that 47 students can sit around a row of 11 desks. Without drawing the desks, explain how you know that Sarah is wrong.

How many students can sit around a row of 11 desks?

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Hexagon Desks Test 4 Form				n A Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • find and extend a number pattern • plot and use a graph Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows:					Section Points
1. Correctly complete	es the table:				
Numbe	r of desks in a row	Number of students			
	1	6			
	2	10			
	3	14			
	4	18			
	5	22			
	6	26			
All four correct va	lues: 2 points			2	
Partial credit:					
Three or two corre	ct values: 1 point			(1)	2
2. Correctly plots the four values from the student's answer to question 1 on the grid: Solution				4×1 ft	4
or				or	
States that 47 is no or	t an even number.			2 or	
Gives a correct alte	ernative reason.			2	
Gives correct answ	er as:				
46 students				2	
					4
			Total Points		10

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4th grade

Divide a number into parts in order to satisfy given conditions with
regard to arranging flowers.
Understand numbers, ways of representing numbers,
relationships among numbers, and number systems.
• Develop a sense of whole numbers and represent and use
them in flexible ways, including relating, composing, and
decomposing numbers (3 rd grade)
• Develop understanding of the relative magnitude of whole numbers and the concepts of sequence, quantity, and the relative positions of numbers.

Flower Arranging

This problem gives you the chance to:

- · figure out how many flowers are in an arrangement
- · divide a number into parts in order to satisfy given conditions



Tim's grandmother loves flower arranging.

She always uses an odd number of each flower in each arrangement.

1. The arrangement she is making today has tulips, roses, and lilies. Tim's grandmother uses 9 flowers in all.

There are more tulips in the arrangement than there are roses, and there are more roses than lilies.

How many tulips are there?

How many roses are there?

How many lilies are there?

Explain how you figured this out.

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2. The next arrangement Tim's grandmother makes also has tulips, roses, and lilies. She uses 11 flowers in all.

As before, she always uses an odd number of each flower in each arrangement.

There are more tulips in the arrangement than there are roses, and there are more roses than lilies.

How many tulips are there?

How many roses are there?

How many lilies are there?

Explain how you figured this out.

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Flower Arranging Test 4: Form A

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Flower Arranging Test 4 For	n A Ru	ıbric
 The core elements of performance required by this task are: figure out how many flowers are in an arrangement divide a number into parts in order to satisfy given conditions Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows: 	Points	Section Points
1. Gives correct answers as:		
5 tulips		
3 roses		
1 lily		
All three correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit: Gives correct numbers of flowers but in incorrect order. or Gives correct order with two even numbers and the total is 9.	(1) or (1)	
Gives explanation such as:		
1, 3, and 5 are the only 3 different odd numbers that add up to 9.	1	3
2. Gives correct answers as:		
7 tulips		
3 roses		
1 lily		
All three correct answers: 2 points	2	
Partial credit: Gives correct numbers of flowers but in incorrect order. or Gives correct order with two even numbers and the total is 11.	(1) or (1)	
Gives explanation such as:		
1, 3, and 7 are the only 3 different odd numbers that add up to 11.	1	3
Total Points		6

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4th grade

Task 5

Traveling To School

Student	Interpret a table of travel times. Use the information from this table
Task	to solve problems.
Core Idea	Collect, organize, represent and interpret numerical and
5	categorical data, and clearly communicate their findings.
Data	• Interpret data to answer questions about a situation
Analysis	
Core Idea	Reason about and solve problem situations that involve more than one
2	operation in multi-step problems.
Number	
Operations	
-	
Core Idea	Understand numbers, ways of representing numbers,
1	relationships among numbers, and number systems.
Number	• Use models, benchmarks, and equivalent forms to judge the
Properties	size of friendly fractions

Traveling to School

This problem gives you the chance to: • interpret a table of times and solve problems

Dave, Angela, Mark, and Carrie are all brothers and sisters.

They all go to the same school.



They leave home at the same time, but they travel in different ways.

Look at the chart to see how they travel and how long they take.

Student	Way of traveling	Time taken in minutes
Dave	walks	30
Angela	bicycles	15
Mark	by car	6
Carrie	by bus	9

1. Who arrives at school first?

Who arrives at school last?

2. How much longer does it take Angela than Carrie to get to school?

_____ minutes

3. Carrie decides to travel by car instead of by bus. How much time does she save? ______ minutes

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Traveling to School Test 4: Form A

4. Dave walks halfway to school. He remembers that he forgot his lunch. He walks back home to get it. He then leaves home to walk to school once more.

How long does it take Dave to walk to school today?

_____ minutes

Show your work.

Tomorrow Dave will run to school.
 Estimate how long it will take him to do this.

Explain your answer.



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Traveling to School Test 4: Form A

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Tra	veling to School To	est 4 Forn	n A Ru	bric
The c • inte Base	core elements of performance required by this task are: rpret a table of times and solve problems ed on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows:		Points	Section Points
1.	Gives correct answers as:			
	Mark			
	Dave			
	Both answers correct: 1 point		1	1
2.	Gives correct answer as:			
	6 minutes		1	1
3.	Gives correct answer as:			
	3 minutes		1	1
4.	Gives correct answer as:			
	60 minutes (or 1 hour)		1	
	Shows work such as:			
	15 minutes takes him halfway to school			
	30 minutes is the time he takes to walk to school		2	
	or		or	
	15 + 15 + 30 = 60 minutes (or 1 hour)		2	3
5.	Accept estimates between 15 and 25 minutes.		1	
	Gives reasons based on the data such as:			
	He would be quicker than if he walked, but slower than if he cycled.		1	
	or Gives an explanation that includes reference to speed, rate, or time		or 1	
	Gives an explanation that includes reference to speed, rate, of time.		1	2
	To	tal Points		8

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4 th grade	Task 1	Saturday Afternoon
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Student Task	Given a table of time information, solve problems involving the comparison of time, the doubling time and elapsed time.
Core Idea 5 Data Analysis	 Collect, organize, represent and interpret numerical and categorical data, and clearly communicate their findings. Interpret data to answer questions about a situation.
Core Idea 4 Geometry and Measurement	 Apply appropriate techniques to determine measurement. Choose appropriate units and use these units to measure time.

Saturday Afternoon

This problem gives you the chance to:

- · interpret information given in a table
- · choose and use operations with time

Here is what our family does on Saturday afternoon.

Family member	Activity	Time
Mom	shopping	55 minutes
Joe	plays baseball	3 hours 20 minutes
Dad	mows the lawn	1 hour 45 minutes
Grandpa	plays chess	2 hours 30 minutes
Beth	skates	1 hour 35 minutes

- 1. Which activity takes the shortest time?
- 2. Dad begins to mow the lawn at the same time as Grandpa plays chess. Who finishes first?
- 3. Next week Beth plans to spend twice as much time skating. For how much time will she skate?

	hours	minutes
Show your calculation.		

4. Joe begins playing baseball at 1:45 p.m. At what time will he finish playing baseball? Show how you figured it out.

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Saturday Afternoon	Test 4 R	ubric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • interpret information given in a table • choose and use operations with time Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives correct answer: shopping	1	1
2. Gives correct answer: Dad	1	1
3. Gives correct answer: 3 hours 10 minutes	1	
Shows work such as: 2 x 1 hour 35 minutes or 2 hours 70 minutes	1	2
 Gives correct answer: 5:05 p.m. Do not accept 5:5 p.m. 	2	
Partial credit Gives answer: 4:65 p.m.	(1)	
Shows work such as: 1: 45 + 3 hours 20 minutes.	1	3
Total Po	ints	7

4 th grade	Task 2	Chips and Soda
Student Task	Read and interpret inform a frequency table and bar	ation from a bar graph. Read and complete graph representing the same data. Make
	and justify a prediction ba	ased on this data.
Core Idea 5 Data Analysis	Collect, organize, repres categorical data, and cle Represent data usi Interpret data to a	Sent and interpret numerical and Early communicate their findings. Ing tables, charts, line plots, and bar graphs. Inswer questions about a situation.
Core Idea 2 Number Operations	• Understand division the operation of shand an operation the division the division the division the division the division the division of the division the divis	on as the inverse operation of multiplication, naring, partitioning, repeated subtraction, o determine rates.

Chips and Sodas

This problem gives you the chance to:

- read and interpret bar graphs
- · calculate frequencies from tallies
- draw a bar graph from given data

Damian and Sarah are doing a survey.

They want to know what type of chips and drinks people like best.

1. Damian has drawn this bar graph showing the data he has collected.





(a) What type of chips does the largest group of people in the survey like best?

(b) How many people like tortilla chips best?

(c) How many people did Damian and Sarah survey?

(d) How many more people like plain chips than like barbeque chips?

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2. Sarah has written her data on a recording sheet.

DRINKS	TALLY	TOTAL
lemonade	₩ŀ.	5
cola	THL THT I	16
flavored water	1111-1111	
orange	11++ 11++- 1	
root beer	1111	4

(a) Fill in the two missing totals on Sarah's recording sheet.

(b) Draw a bar graph showing Sarah's data. Remember to label the axes.

20			
20			
18			
16			
14			
12			
10			
10			
8			
6			
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4			
2			
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Sarah is inviting 25 people to a party.

3. Using her data, how many cola drinks should she buy?

Explain how you figured it out.

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Chips and Sodas Test 4

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Chips and Sodas Tes			Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • read and interpret bar graphs • calculate frequencies from tallies • draw a bar graph from given data				
Based on these, credit	for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	poir	nts	section points
Gives correc 1a. cheese and c	et answers: onion	1		
1b. 10		1		
1c. 50		1		
1d. 8		1		4
Gives correc 2a. 14 and 11	t answers:	1		
2b. Labels both a	axes.	1		
4 or 5 bars fi	illed in correctly (5, 16, 14, 11, 4).	2 :	ft	
Partial credi 2 or 3 bars fi	it illed in correctly.	(1f	t)	
Allow follow Allow a diffe	v through from answers to 2a. erent order of drinks only if correctly labelled.			4
3. Gives correc	t answer: 8	1		
Provides a co 16 out of 50	orrect explanation such as: people like cola best so 8 out of 25 people may like cola be	st. 1		2
	Total P	oints		10

4 th grade	Task 3	Piles of Oranges
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Student	Describe, extend and make generalizations about a growing pattern		
Task	of oranges that are displayed in a grocery store.		
Core Idea	Understand patterns and use mathematical models to		
3	represent and to understand qualitative and quantitative		
Patterns,	relationships.		
Functions, and	• Represent and analyze patterns and functions using words,		
Algebra	tables, and graphs.		
	• Find the results of a rule for a specific value.		
	• Use inverse operations to solve multi-step problems.		
	• Use concrete, pictorial, and verbal representations to solve		
	problems involving unknowns.		

Piles of Oranges

This problem gives you the chance to: • describe, extend and make generalizations about a number pattern

Here are some piles of oranges that are displayed in Mrs. Chang's grocery store.



- 1. Draw pile # 4 of oranges next to pile # 3 in the diagram above.
- How many oranges are needed for pile # 4 and pile # 5? Write your answers in the table below.

Pile #	1	2	3	4	5
Number of oranges	1	3	6		

- How many oranges does Mrs. Chang need for pile # 6? Show how you figured it out.
- Mrs. Chang says, "I need 44 oranges to make pile # 9 ". Without drawing a diagram, explain how you know that she is wrong.

5. How many oranges does she need to make pile # 9? ______ 8
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Piles of Oranges Tes	t4 Rι	ıbric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • to describe, extend and make generalizations about a number pattern Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Draws a correct diagram for pile # 4.	2	2
2. Gives correct answers 10 and 15 and writes these numbers in the table.	1, 1	2
3. Gives correct answer: 21	1	
Shows work such as: $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 21$ Accept adding on 6 from pile # 5: $15 + 6$	1	
or Draws a correct diagram to show pile # 5.	or 1	2
 Gives a correct explanation such as: In pile # 9, the number of oranges is 9 + 8 + 7 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 45. Accept adding on from, say, pile # 6. 	1	1
5. Gives correct answer: 45	1	1
Total Point	8	8

4 th grade	Task 4	Symmetrical Patterns
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Student Task	Name the shapes found in a symmetrical pattern. Find lines of symmetry in one drawing and complete a different drawing to make it symmetrical.			
Core Idea	Use characteristics, properties, and relationships of two-			
4	dimensional geometric shapes. Examine, compare, and			
Geometry and	analyze attributes of geometric figures.			
Measurement	 Classify two-dimensional shapes according to their properties. 			
	• Understand line symmetry.			
	• Investigate, describe, and reason about the results of combining and subdividing figures.			

Symmetrical Patterns

This problem gives you the chance to:

- name simple shapes
- work with symmetry

Saba makes this pattern using shape blocks.

1. Write the names of the shapes she uses.



2. This pattern is symmetrical.

Draw in two of the lines of symmetry of this pattern.

3. The diagram below shows half of a different symmetrical pattern that Saba makes.



Symmetrical Patterns Te	est 4 R	Rubric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • name simple shapes • work with symmetry Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows		section points
 Gives correct answers: Square, Rectangle, Triangle, Octagon Allow 1 point for each correct shape. Minus 1 point for each shape after four. 	1 x 4	4
2. Correctly draws two lines of symmetry on pattern.	1	1
 Correctly completes the pattern. Partial credit Diagram partially correct. Gives correct answers for correct pattern only: 	2 (1)	
Triangle and Square/Rectangle Accept trapezoid.	1	3
Total Points		8

4 th grade	Task 5	Counting Feet

Student	Find the number of feet in the barn when given the number and kind				
Task	of animals. Find the possible combinations of animals when given				
	the total number of feet. Justify a conclusion based on the data.				
Core Idea	Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to				
2	each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently.				
Number	• Develop fluency with basic number combinations for				
Operations	multiplication and division and use these combinations to				
-	mentally compute related problems.				
	• Develop fluency in multiplying whole numbers.				
Core Idea 3 Patterns,	Understand patterns and use mathematical models to represent and to understand qualitative and quantitative relationships. • Use inverse operations to solve multi-step problems				
Functions, and Algebra	• Understand and use the concept of equality.				

Counting Feet

This problem gives you the chance to: • solve number problems in a practical context

Sasha lives on a farm.

In the barn there are always at least one dog, one bird and one spider.



- Yesterday, there were 3 dogs, 4 birds and 2 spiders in the barn. How many feet were there in the barn?
 Show how you figured it out.
- Today, Sasha counted 24 feet in all in the barn. How many dogs, birds and spiders do you think are in the barn today? There are four correct answers to this question. Try to find them all.

Number of dogs 🚿	Number of birds 🛛 💋	Number of spiders ₩

Explain how you know that there cannot be more than two spiders in the barn.

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Counting Feet Test				4 Rul	oric	
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • solve number problems in a practical context				nointe	section	
Dased	on mese, creat for specific	aspects of performance s	silouid be assigned as ion	ows	points	points
1.	Gives correct answer:	36			1	
	Shows correct work su	ich as: 3 x 4 + 4 x 2 +	$2 \times 8 = 12 + 8 + 16$		1	2
2.	2. Number of dogs Number of birds spiders					
	1	б	1			
	1	2	2			
	2	4	1			
	3	2	1			
Award 1 point for each correct row. or Award 1 point for showing that the total number of feet in each row is 24 e.g., $4 + 12 + 8 = 24$ 4 + 4 + 16 = 24 8 + 8 + 8 = 24				4 x 1 or		
12 + 4 + 8 = 24				4 x 1	4	
 Gives correct explanation such as: One dog and one bird have 6 feet. Two spiders have 16 feet. 6 + 16 = 22. There are only 2 feet left so there cannot be more than two spiders. 				1		
	Accept alternative corr	rect explanations.				1
				Fotal Points		7
Student	Identify geometric shapes in fabric designs and complete six					
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Task	different symmetrical designs.					
Core Idea	Use characteristics, properties, and relationships of two-					
4	dimensional geometric shapes. Examine, compare, and					
Geometry and	analyze attributes of geometric figures.					
Measurement	 Classify two-dimensional shapes according to their properties 					
	• Understand line symmetry and predict the results of					
	sliding, flipping, or turning two-dimensional figures					
	• Investigate, describe, and reason about the results of					
	combining and subdividing figures					

Fabric Designs

This problem gives you the chance to: • recognize and create shapes that have symmetry

Tony and Chantelle design patterns that are printed onto fabric.

Chantelle's designs are always symmetrical. Tony's designs are never symmetrical. Here are some of their designs.

1. Draw a ring around those that Chantelle designed.



 When Chantelle has an idea for a design, she jots it down and completes it later. When completed, these four designs have a line of symmetry. Complete these designs for Chantelle.







3. When completed, the two patterns below will have at least two lines of symmetry. Complete them for Chantelle.





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Fabric DesignsGrade 4	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are:recognize and create shapes that have symmetry		agation
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	points
1. Draws a ring around designs a , c and d	2	
with no incorrect designs ringed.		
(Accept rings around letters under the patterns.)		
Partial credit	(1)	
Two correct answers no extras.		2
2. Award 1 point for each correctly completed design	1x4	
		4
		4
3. Award 1 point for each correctly completed design	1x2	
		2
Total Points		8

4 th grade Task 2	Squares and Circles
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Student	Use a pattern of squares and circles to extend the design and answer					
Task	questions about the number of each in relationship to the other. Show					
	understanding using words and/or numbers.					
Core Idea	Understand patterns and use mathematical models to represent					
3	and to understand qualitative and quantitative relationships.					
Patterns,	• Represent and analyze patterns and functions using words,					
Functions,	tables, and graphs					
and Algebra	• Find the results of a rule for a specific value					
	• Use inverse operations to solve multi-step problems					
	• Use pictorial and verbal representations to solve problems					
	involving unknowns					
	• Communicate mathematical thinking clearly and coherently					

Squares and Circles

This problem gives you the chance to: • find and use a pattern

Jack makes patterns using squares and circles.



1. Draw a diagram to show Jack's pattern using 4 squares.

Jack makes a table to show the number of circles he needs to make patterns using different numbers of squares.

Number of squares	1	2	3	4	5
Number of circles	4	7	10		

 How many circles does Jack need to make a pattern using 4 squares? Write your answer in the table above.

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 How many circles does Jack need to make a pattern using 5 squares? Write your answer in the table on the opposite page. Explain how you figured it out.

 Jack makes a pattern using 10 squares. How many circles does he use? Show how you figured it out.

5. How many squares does Jack need to make a pattern that uses 40 circles?

Explain how you figured it out.

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Sq	uares and Circles Grade 4	Ru	bric
The c • finc	core elements of performance required by this task are: I and use a pattern		
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows			section points
1.	Draws a correct diagram	1	1
2.	Gives correct answer: 13	1	1
3.	Gives correct answer: 16	1	
	Gives a correct explanation such as: The number of circles increases in 3s.	1	2
4.	Gives correct answer: 31	1	
	Shows correct work such as: $4 + 3 \ge 9 = 31$ or counts on from, say 5 squares 16 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 31	1	
	Accept alternative correct calculations. Accept correct diagrams.		2
5.	Gives correct answer: 13	1	
	Gives a correct explanation such as: The first square needs 4 circles and each extra square needs 3 circles. 40 - 4 = 36 $36 \div 3 = 12$ 1 + 12 = 13	1	
	Accept alternative correct explanations. Total Points		2 8

Student	Analyze a graph of favorite donut flavors to answer questions.			
Task	Determine the amounts of donuts Sally should bring to her party and			
	explain why not all friends will get their favorite donuts.			
Core Idea	Collect, organize, represent and interpret numerical data and			
5	clearly communicate their findings.			
Data	• Interpret data to answer questions about a situation			
Analysis	• Communicate mathematical thinking clearly and coherently			
Core Idea	Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to			
2	each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently.			
Number	• Understand division as the inverse operation of multiplication			
Operations	• Develop fluency with basic number combinations for			
	multiplication and division			

The Donut Party

This problem gives you the chance to:

 describe parts of the data and the set of data as a whole to determine what the data show about the questions



Sally and her friends are planning a donut party. She does a survey to find out which kind of donut each friend likes the best.

This graph shows what she found.

	6		0		12.22	
Number	5	0	0		16 24	
of	4	0	0		0	1
triends	3	0	0	0	0	
	2	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0	0	0	0
		jelly	plain	sugar	custard	cream

- 1. Which is the most popular donut?
- 2. Which is the least popular donut?
- 3. How many more people like jelly donuts than sugar donuts?

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4.	How many friends did Sally survey? Explain how you figured this out.
5.	Sally wants each of her friends to have 3 of their favorite donuts. How many custard donuts should she buy?

Show how you figured this out.

The shop only has 15 of each donut flavor.
 This creates a problem for Sally. Explain what Sally's problem is.



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The	e Donut Party Grade 4	Ru	bric			
The des • des dat	 The core elements of performance required by this task are: describe parts of the data and the set of data as a whole to determine what the data show about the questions 					
Base	d on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	points			
1.	Gives correct answer: plain	1	1			
2.	Gives correct answer: cream	1	1			
3.	Gives correct answer: 2	1	1			
4.	Gives correct answer: 20	1				
	Gives a correct explanation such as: I added all of the numbers: $5 + 6 + 3 + 4 + 2$	1				
	With the correct answer accept: I counted all of the numbers.		2			
5.	Gives correct answer: 12 and	1				
	Shows work such as: 4 x 3	1	2			
6.	Gives a correct explanation such as:					
	Sally cannot buy 18 plain donuts, because the shop only has 15.	1				
	Accept the shop does not have enough plain donuts.		1			
	Total Points		8			

4 th grade	Task 4	Circle Numbers
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Student Task	Using different sets of numbered playing cards, find combinations of cards that will build certain numbers.
Core Idea 2 Number Operations	 Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently. Develop fluency with basic number combinations for multiplication and division
Core Idea 1 Number Properties	 Understand numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers, and number systems. Understand whole numbers and represent their relationships in flexible ways

Circle Numbers

This problem gives you the chance to: • use numbers in a flexible way

Omar and Jack enjoy playing card games.

In the first game, they have five cards numbered 1 through 5.



They need to place the five cards in three circles so that the numbers in each circle have a total of 5.

All the cards must be used. They can only use each card once.

The first circle has already been done for you.

1. Write the numbers of the cards placed in the other two circles.



2. In the next game there are six cards, numbered 1 through 6.



Write the numbers of the cards placed in each of the three circles so that each circle has a total of 7.



3. a. In the next game there are eight cards, numbered 1 through 8.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
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The cards placed in each circle now need to have a total of 12. Write the correct card numbers in each of the three circles. You may place more than two card numbers in a circle.



b. What is the total of the numbers on all of the eight cards?

Explain why the total number in each circle is 12.

4. In this game the children have nine cards, numbered 1 through 9.



Show how they can arrange the nine cards so that the cards in each circle have the same total. You may place more than two card numbers in a circle.

What is the total number in each circle?

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Circle Numbers Grade 4	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • use numbers in a flexible way		
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives correct answer: 5 and $3+2$	1	1
2. Gives three correct answers: $6 + 1$ and $5 + 2$ and $4 + 3$	2	
Partial credit Two correct answers	(1)	2
3. 5 Shows one correct way of arranging the cards such as: 8+4 and $7+5$ and $6+3+2+1$	2	
Partial credit Two correct answers	(1)	
5 Gives correct answer: 36 Gives a correct explanation such as:	1	
I divided 36 by 3 and it made 12.	1	4
4. Shows an arrangement such as: 9+6 and 8+7 and 5+4+3+2+1 or 9+3+2+1 and 6+5+4 and 8+7	1	
Gives correct total: 15	1	2
Total Poin	its	9

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Student	Determine how Daniel's granny will use clothes pins to hang her				
Task	laundry on a washing line. Find out why Granny can only hang out 5				
	items at a time.				
Core Idea	Understand the meanings of operations and how they relate to				
2	each other, make reasonable estimates, and compute fluently.				
Number	• Develop fluency with basic number combinations for				
Operations	multiplication and division				
	• Develop fluency with multiplying whole numbers				
	• Communicate mathematical thinking clearly and coherently				
Core Idea	Understand numbers, ways of representing numbers,				
1	relationships among numbers, and number systems.				
Number	• Understand whole numbers and represent them in flexible				
Properties	ways including relating, composing, and decomposing				
	numbers				

Line of Laundry

This problem gives you the chance to: • use numbers in a flexible way

Daniel's granny likes to dry her laundry on a washing line in the backyard.

She needs: 3 clothes pins for each T-shirt

- 4 clothes pins for each pair of jeans
- 6 clothes pins for each towel



 How many clothes pins does she use when she hangs out one T-shirt, one pair of jeans and one towel?
 Show how you figured it out.

Granny only has 20 clothes pins. What can she hang on the line?

She must hang out at least one of each different item.

2. Find two different ways she can hang out five items.

	Number of items	Number of clothes pins
T-shirts		1
Jeans		
Towels		1
Total	5	

	Number of items	Number of clothes pins
T-shirts		1
Jeans		1: <u></u> - i
Towels		1 <u></u> 1
Total	5	

3. Explain why she cannot hang out more than 5 items.

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Lin	e of Lau	undry	Grade	е,	4			Ru	bric
The o • use	The core elements of performance required by this task are: • use numbers in a flexible way						agation		
Base	d on these, cre	dit for specific a	aspects of perforr	nar	nce should be	assigned as fo	ollows	points	points
1.	Gives corre	ect answer:	13					1	
	Shows wor	k such as: 3	8 + 4 + 6					1	2
2.	Gives the f	following po	ssible combin	ati	ons:				
		Number of items	Number of clothes pins			Number of items	Number of clothes pins		
	T-shirts	2	6		T-shirts	3	9	2x2	
	Jeans	2	8		Jeans	1	4		
	Towels	1	6		Towels	1	6		
	Total	5	20		Total	5	19		
									4
3.	Gives a con	rrect explana	tion such as:						
If granny puts one of each item on the line, she uses 13 clothes pins, and she only has 20 clothes pins.									
Using the 7 clothes pins she has left, she could hang out 2 more T-shirts.									
	or 1 more T-shirt and 1 more pair of jeans.					1			
	Accept: Sh	e doesn't ha	ve enough clo	the	es pins				1
							Total Points		7

Core Idea Task				
Number Operations	What's My Number?			
The task asks students to use	e and to write clues involving multiplies to find a given			
number. Successful students	s can work with multiples of 2, 3,5,6,7, and 9. They			
understand order of numbers	s, such as larger and smaller. They can write explanations			
to show the logic of how a n	umber fits a set of clues.			
Number Operations	Cookies, Muffins & Brownies			
The task asks students to use	e multiplication and division to reason about packaging			
food for a school fair. Succe	ssful students can recognize multiplication situations and			
use multiplication to reason	about students, each making groups of cookies, brownies			
or muffins, to find the total r	number of baked goods. Students could then use division			
to package the food into equ	al-size containers.			
Data Analysis	Dinosaur Data			
The task asks students to relate	ate a table of data to a bar graph and make comparison			
statements about data on the	graph. Successful students could work with scales of 5's			
and reason about bars falling	g between the lines. Students could make conclusions			
about data and write compar	ison statements using multiplication or subtraction.			
Geometry and Stars				
Measurement				
The task asks students to wo	rk with symmetry and area of shapes in a tessellation.			
Successful students could re-	ason about area and how half squares fit together to make			
a whole. Students could use	spatial visualization to identify and shade hexagons in a			
larger design, identify attribu	ites of shapes, and recognize shapes that have been			
rotated.				
Patterns, Functions,	Bikes and Trikes			
and Algebra				
The task asks students to use solve number problems using multiplication and division				
in the context of wheels in a bicycle shop. Successful students could identify				
multiplication situations in context and multiply one-digit numbers with accuracy.				
They could reason about cor	nbining two groups of items and solve a multi-step			
problem involving multiplic	ation and addition.			

What's My Number?

This problem gives you the chance to:

solve "what's my number?" problems

Mandy and David play a number game.



- What is David's number?
 Show how you figured it out.
- 3. Mandy thinks of the number 18.

Write three clues that will help David to guess her number correctly.

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What's My Number	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: •.solve "what's my number?" problems		contion
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	points
1. Gives correct answer: 15	1	
Shows work such as: The multiples of 3 that are less than 20 are: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15 , 18 The multiples of 5 that are less than 20 are: 5, 10, 15	1 1	
Shows that 3 and 5 are factors of 15 e.g. $3 \times 5 = 15$	2	3
2. Gives correct answer: 28	1	
Shows work such as: The multiples of 7 that are between 20 and 30 are: 21, 28 The multiples of 2 that are between 20 and 30 are: 22, 24, 26, 28	1 1	
or Shows that 7 and 2 are factors of 28	or 2	
<i>Partial credit</i> Gives a number larger than 20 and smaller than 30 that is a multiple of either 7 or 2	(1)	3
3. Makes two true statements. Makes a statement that makes the number 18 unique	2 x 1. 1	
Total Po	oints	3 9
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Cookies, Muffins and Brownies

This problem gives you the chance to:

• solve number problems with multiplication and division in a real context



1.	Four students bake cookies for the school fair.	
	Each student bakes twelve cookies.	
	They are going to sell the cookies in bags of three.	
	How many bags do they need?	bags
	Show how you figured it out.	

2.	Five students bake muffins for t Each student bakes twenty muff They are going to sell the muffi How many boxes do they need?	he school fair. Fins. ns in boxes of four		boxes
	Explain how you figured it out.			
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Cookies, Muffins and Brownies	Ru	bric
 The core elements of performance required by this task are: solve number problems with multiplication and division in a real context Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows 	points	section points
1. Gives correct answer: 16	1	
Shows correct work such as: $12 x 4 = 48$ or $12 \div 3 = 4$ $48 \div 3 = 4 x 4 = 4$	1 1	
Accept repeated addition/subtraction or diagrams		3
2. Gives correct answer: 25	1	
Gives correct explanations or shows that: 5 students bake 20 x 5 = 100 muffins, They need $100 \div 4 = 25$ boxes. or Each student needs $20 \div 4 = 5$ boxes, Five students need 5 x 5 = 25 boxes. Accept repeated addition/subtraction or diagrams	1 1 0r 1 1	3
3. Gives correct answer: 5	1	
Gives correct explanations or shows that: 10 students bake 10 x $6 = 60$ brownies, In each box they put $60 \div 12 = 5$ brownies. or Each student puts one brownie in 6 (half) of the boxes, Ten students put 5 brownies in twelve boxes.	1 1 or 1 1	
Accept repeated addition/subtraction or diagrams		3
Total Points		9

Dinosaur Data

This problem gives you the chance to:

- relate a table of data and a bar graph
- derive information

Sangita and Zach are doing a project about dinosaurs.

They have discovered the facts shown in the table below.

Name of dinosaur	Food dinosaurs eat	Estimated length in meters
tyrannosaurus	meat	12
seismosaurus	plants	40
diplodocus	plants	27
allosaurus	meat	10
brachiosaurus	plants	25

They use the numbers in the table to draw this bar graph.



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1. The students have made a mistake. One of the bars on the graph is wrong.

Which one is it?

Explain your answer.

2. Using the table on the opposite page, the students have written some information about these dinosaurs.

One of the sentences is **not** correct. Underline the incorrect sentence.

- A brachiosaurus can be about twice as long as a tyrannosaurus.
- Meat eating dinosaurs are longer than plant eaters.
- An allosaurus is shorter in length than a seismosaurus.

Explain what is wrong with the information in the sentence you have underlined.

3. Using the facts on the opposite page, write two sentences of your own comparing the length of these dinosaurs.

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Dinosau	ır Data	Ru	bric
The core elem • relate a table • derive inform	nents of performance required by this task are: e of data and a bar graph nation		
Based on these	e, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives	correct answer: diplodocus	1	
Gives On the rather	correct explanation such as: bar chart this is recorded at about 37 (accept 36 to 38 inclusive) than 27 meters.	2	
Partia For a p	<i>l credit</i> partially correct/inaccurate answer.	(1)	3
2. Under	lines "Meat eating dinosaurs are longer than plant eaters".	1	
Gives From t than th	correct explanation such as: the table it would appear that the plant eating dinosaurs are longer ne meat eaters.	1	2
3. Writes The se The sh	s correct statements such as: ismosaurus is (about 15 meters) longer than the brachiosaurus. fortest of these dinosaurs is the allosaurus.	1	2
	Total Points		7

Stars

This problem gives you the chance to:

- work with symmetry and area of shapes in a tessellation
- 1. How many sides does this shaded star shape have?



2. Explain why the area of the star is 3 squares.

This pattern is made from lots of stars. Some of them are flipped.

Hexagons are made between the stars.



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- 3. Shade three of the hexagons in the diagram.
- 4. How many stars are there in the diagram?
- 5. Is the area of the hexagon bigger or smaller than the area of the star?

Explain how you figured it out.

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Stars	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • work with symmetry and area of shapes in a tessellation Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives correct answer: 8	1	1
2. Gives a correct explanation such as: There is one whole square and four half squares.	2	2
3. Shades three hexagons.	1	1
4. Gives correct answer: 16	1	1
 Gives correct answer: bigger and Explains that there are 4 whole squares and 4 half squares, or 6 whole squares 	2	2
Total Points		7

Bikes and Trikes

This problem gives you the chance to: • solve number problems in a real context



The cycle shop on Main Street sells bikes (two wheels) and trikes (three wheels).

- Yesterday, Sarah counted all of the cycles in the shop. There were seven bikes and four trikes in the shop. How many wheels were there on these eleven cycles?
 Show your calculation.
- Today, Sarah counted all of the wheels of all of the cycles in the shop. She found that there were 30 wheels in all.

There were the **same number** of bikes as there were trikes.

How many bikes were there?

How many trikes were there?

Show how you figured it out.

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Bikes a	Ind Trikes	Ru	bric
The core ele • solve num	ements of performance required by this task are: ber problems in a real context	nointa	section
Based on the	se, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	points
1. Gives	s correct answer: 26 wheels	1	
Show	vs work such as:		
7 x 2	and 4 x 3		
14 +	12 =	2	
Acce	pt repeated addition or diagrams		3
2. Gives	s correct answers: 6 bikes and 6 trikes	2	
Gives	s correct explanation such as:		
6 bik	es = 12 wheels		
6 trik	es = 18 wheels		
in all	30 wheels	3	
May	list or draw diagrams		
1 bik	e and 1 trike = $2 + 3 = 5$ wheels		
2 bik	es and 2 trikes = $4 + 6$ or 2 x 5 = 10 wheels		
3 bik	es and 3 trikes = $6 + 9$ or 3 x $5 = 15$ wheels		
4 bik	es and 4 trikes = $8 + 12$ or $4 \times 5 = 20$ wheels		
5 bik	es and 5 trikes = $10 + 15$ or 5 x 5 = 25 wheels		
6 bik	es and 6 trikes = $12 + 18$ or 6 x 5 = 30 wheels		5
	Total Points		8

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Core Idea	Task	Score						
Algebra Looking at Patterns								
The task asks students to fol	The task asks students to follow a pattern for doubling and subtracting and find the							
resulting patterns. Students	resulting patterns. Students needed to show an understanding of odd and even.							
Successful students could de	escribe repeating patterns and explain why the rule	s of the						
pattern produced odd number	ers.							
Number Operations	The Baker							
The task asks students to use	e multiplication and division to reason about packa	ging						
baked goods into bakery box	baked goods into bakery boxes. Successful students could use division and reason							
about the remainder in a con	about the remainder in a context. Successful students could justify which type of							
baked goods would exactly fill 8 boxes.								
Geometry Stained Glass								
The task asks students to work with line symmetry. Students needed to draw in lines								
of symmetry in geometrical designs and find the number of lines of symmetry for a								
complex design. Successful students could also fill in missing parts of a design using								
lines of symmetry as clues.								
Data AnalysisDinosaurs and Dragons								
The task asks students to identify an error made when transposing information from a								
line plot to a bar graph and to make their own bar graph from a frequency table.								
Successful students could also compare and contrast the data shown in the two bar								
graphs.								
Number Properties	Picking Fractions							
The task asks students to pic	ek equivalent fractions from a given list and make	their						
own equivalent fractions. T	o meet standards, students should be able to work	with						
unit fractions like 1/2, 1/4, a	nd 1/3. Successful students could also reason about	ut						
fractions like $2/3$ and $3/4$.								

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Looking At Patterns

This problem gives you the chance to: • recognize and use patterns

1. Here is part of a repeating pattern.



Draw the next 4 shapes in this pattern.

2. Here is a number pattern game. Write a number between 1 and 5 in the first circle.



Double the number and write it in the next circle.

Keep doing this, but if the number is more than 10 subtract 10 before you write the number in the next circle. Carry on until all the circles are full.

Describe what happens to the numbers in your pattern.

3. Here is another number pattern game. Write a small odd number greater than 1 in the first circle.



Now follow this rule: Double the number, then subtract one. Write this number in the second circle. Keep doing this until all the circles are full.

 What pattern do you see in these numbers?

 Explain why this happens.

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The o • rec Based	core elem ognize a d on these	nents of nd use p e, credit fo	perform patterns	ance re c aspect	quired t	by this ta	ask are: should b	be assign	ied as fo	illows	points	section points
1	Draws	the nex	t four s	hapes of	correctl	y					1	1
1.	1. Dependent on the starting number, produces pattern such as:											
2. Dependent on the starting number, produces pattern such as.												
	1	2	4	8	6	2	4	8	6	-		
	-1	2	4	8	10	0	12	2	4	-		
	- 2	4	2	4	2	4	2	0	2	-		
	3	6	12	2	4	8	16	6	12	-	3	
	4	8	6	2	4	8	6	2	4	-	5	
	4	8	16	6	12	2	4	8	16	-		
	5	10	20	10	20	10	20	10	20	-		
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 choose and perform number operations in a 	practical context
The baker uses boxes of different sizes to ca	arry her goods. Cookie boxes hold 12 cookies. Donut boxes hold 4 donuts. Muffin boxes hold 2 muffins. Bagel boxes hold 6 bagels. Bagel boxes hold 4
1. On Monday she baked 24 of everything.	
How many boxes did she need? Fill in th	e empty spaces.
cookie boxes	donut boxes
muffin boxes	bagel boxes
 On Tuesday she baked just bagels. She : How many bagels did she make? Show your calculations. 	filled 7 boxes.
 On Wednesday she baked 42 cookies. How many boxes did she fill? 	
How many cookies were left over?	

On Thursday she baked 32 of just one item and she filled 8 boxes.
 What did she bake on Thursday? ______

Show how you figured this out.

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The Baker Test 4

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Task 2: The Baker	R	ubric
 The core elements of performance required by this task are: choose and perform number operations in a practical context Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows 	points	section points
1. Gives correct answers:	1x4	
2 cookie boxes 6 donut boxes		
12 muffin boxes4 bagel boxes		4
2. Gives correct answer: 42	1	
Shows 6 x $7 = 42$. Accept repeated addition.	1	2
3. Gives correct answers: 3	1	
6		
Gives a correct explanation such as: She filled 3 complete boxes: $3 \times 12 = 36$ and $42 - 36 = 6$. This means that 6 were left over or Shows $42 \div 12 = 3$, remainder 6.	1	2
4. Gives correct answer: donuts	1	
Shows work such as: $4 \ge 8 = 32$ Accept diagrams.	1	2
Total Points		10

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The Baker Test 4

Stained Glass

This problem gives you the chance to: • work with line symmetry

Maddie loves the symmetrical designs in stained glass windows.

1. Here is one design that she likes. Draw in the line of symmetry for Maddie.

2. Maddie has begun to draw a window with two lines of symmetry.

The dot lines (______) show the two lines of symmetry.

Complete the drawing so that it is symmetrical.

3. This window is Maddie's favorite.



How many lines of symmetry does this design have?

Draw in all the lines of symmetry.

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Stained Glass Test 4

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Task 3: Stained Glass		Ru	bric
The core elements of performance requi • work with line symmetry Based on these, credit for specific aspects of	points	section points	
1. Draws a correct line of symmetry	try with no extras.	1	1
2. Completes the design correctly <i>Partial credit</i>	-	2	
One or two errors		(1)	2
3 Gives correct answer: 4		1	
Draws all 4 lines of symmetry	with no extras	2	
Partial credit	matry with no autros	(1)	
Draws two correct lines of sym	ineu y with no extras.	(1)	3
	Total Points		6

Dinosaurs and Dragons

This problem gives you the chance to:

draw graphs and interpret data

Adam likes learning about dinosaurs. Jade loves reading about dragons.



Adam read this today.

The diplodocus, tyrannosaurus, stegosaurus and allosaurus were dinosaurs, mighty creatures that inhabited planet earth during the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods.

Adam likes long words, so he made this line plot to show the length of each word in the box above.



Adam also recorded the length of the words as a bar graph.



1. Adam has made one mistake on his bar graph. Write an X on the mistake he has made. 2. Jade reads this in her dragon book.

In the hills lived a green, sad dragon. Nobody visited his lair, as they were afraid of his red eyes.

Here is a table to show the number of words of different lengths in Jade's book.

Number of letters in a word	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Number of words	1	3	5	4	3	3	1

Make a bar graph using this data. Remember to label the axes.

3. Look at the data shown in the two bar graphs.

a. Write one thing about the data that is the same in both bar graphs.

b. Write **two** things about the data that is different in the two bar graphs.

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Dinosaurs and Dragons Test 4

Tas	sk 4: Dinosaurs and Dragons	Ru	bric
The o • dra Base	points	section points	
1.	Marks the column with 9 letters that records 4 instead of 3 words	1	1
2.	Labels both axes correctly	1	
	Produces a correct bar graph	3	
	Partial credit A graph with one error	(2)	
	A graph with two errors.	(1)	4
3.	Statements such as:		
	a) Both of the graphs should show the lengths of 20 words	1	
	Both of the graphs have one word with 7 letters		
	Both of the graphs have three words with 6 letters		
	b) Adam's graph shows no words with 1 or 2 letters but Jade's graph has 4 of these.	1	
	Adam's graph has 9 words with 8 or more letters but Jade's has none.	1	3
	Total Points		8

Dinosaurs and Dragons Test 4

Picking Fractions

This problem gives you the chance to:

• work with equivalent fractions



1. Equivalent fractions picked from the tree must be placed in the same basket. Put each fraction on the tree into the correct basket.

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- 2. Find one **new** equivalent fraction for each basket and write it on the line that is in front of the basket.
- 3. Fill in the missing numerator and denominator to make this pair of fractions equivalent.

$$\underline{2} = \underline{10}$$

Explain how you figured it out.

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Task 5: Picking Fractions	Ru	bric
 The core elements of performance required by this task are: work with equivalent fractions Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows 	points	section points
1. Puts the fractions into the correct baskets		
1/2 = 4/8, 3/6, and 2/4		
1/4 = 2/8 and $3/12$		
3/4 = 6/8 and $9/12$		
1/3 = 3/9, $2/6$ and $4/12$		
2/3 = 6/9 and $8/12$		
All correct 5 points		
Partial credit	5	
9, 10, 11 fractions correct 4 points: 8, 7 fractions correct 3 points:	(4)	
6, 5 fractions correct 2 points: 4, 3 fractions correct 1 point	(3)	_
	(2)	5
	(1)	
2. Puts one more correct equivalent fraction onto each plate		
All 5 correct	2	
Partial credit		
2-3-4 correct	(1)	
		2
3. Fills in the missing values such as: denominator 5 and numerator 4		
or denominator 4 and numerator 5		
or denominator 2 and numerator 10 or denominator 1 and numerator 2-		
or denominator 20 and numerator 1		
and		
Gives correct explanation such as: They are equivalent fractions.	1	
	1	1
Total Points		8

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Core Idea	Task	Score					
Number Operations	Votes						
The task asks students to fin	The task asks students to find and compare the total number of votes for two						
candidates and then to use m	candidates and then to use multiplication to find a weighted value for their votes.						
Algebra	Roger's Rabbits						
The task asks students to ide	entify and extend patterns and use a table. Success	ful					
students could also give rule	es for extending both elements in the pattern, the nu	umber					
of doors and the number of	blocks needed to make a row of rabbit hutches.						
Number Operations	Winning Lines						
The task asks students to wo	ork with a "magic square" type number game to ide	entify					
numbers that add to a given	total or to generate a series of number sets that add	l to a					
given total. Successful stud	ents could reason about why some numbers were r	iot					
possible to use to make a give	ven sum and meet the rules of the game.						
Geometry	Quilt Making						
The task asks students to wo	ork with 2-dimensional shapes and their properties,	such as					
symmetry and angles. Succe	symmetry and angles. Successful students knew the names for rhombus,						
parallelogram, and right triangle.							
Number Properties	Sum Bugs						
The task asks students to solve problems using multiplication and division.							
Successful students could ge	Successful students could generate numbers to fit 3 or more constraints, such as even						
number divisible by 5 and 3	number divisible by 5 and 3 with 3 digits.						

Votes

This problem gives you the chance to:

• work with a weighted point system

Some students vote for class president.

Each student can vote for a first choice and a second choice.

Amos, Brie and Carl received more votes than the other students.

	Amos	Brie	Carl
Number of 'first choice' votes	8	6	9
Number of 'second choice' votes	12	15	7

1. Who got the most votes, Amos, Brie or Carl?

- 2. Who got the most 'first choice' votes?
- 3. A 'first choice' vote gets 2 points and a 'second choice' vote gets 1 point.

Explain why Carl gets 25 points altogether.

- 4. Figure out the points for:
- a. Amos _____
- b. Brie
- 5. Who should be class president?

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Votes		Rubric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • work with a weighted point system Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives correct answer: Brie	1	1
2. Gives correct answer: Carl	1	1
3. Gives correct explanation such as: Carl gets $2 \times 9 + 7 = 25$ votes	2	2
4.a. Gives correct answer: 28	1	
b. Gives correct answer: 27	1	2
5. Gives correct answer: Amos	1ft	1
Total Points		7

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Roger's Rabbits

This problem gives you the chance to:

- identify and extend patterns
- · work with tables

Roger keeps pet rabbits. He keeps them in a row of rabbit hutches. The hutches are on blocks so that they don't get damp.



1. Describe hutch #4.

2.	Fill	in	the	empty	spaces	in	the	table	below.
					1				

Hutch #	1	2	3	4
Number of doors	2	4		
Number of blocks	2	3		

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3.	How many doors will be needed for hutch # 8? Explain how you figured this out.
	How many blocks will be needed for hutch #8?
4.	Roger says that for hutch # 12 he will need 11 blocks. Roger is wrong. How many blocks will he need?
	Explain how you figured this out.

Roger's Rabbits						Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • identify and extend patterns • work with tables Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows					points	section points	
1.	Gives a correct description: 4 i	abbits, 8 c	doors and 5	blocks.		2 x 1	2
2.	Completes the table correctly.						
	Hutch #	1	2	3	4		
	Number of doors	2	4	6	8	2	
	Number of blocks	2	3	4	5		
	<i>Partial credit</i> 2 correct numbers					(1)	2
3.	Gives correct answer: 16 door	S				1	
	Gives correct explanation such number or draws diagram.	as: the nu	umber of do	ors is twice	the hutch	1	
	Gives correct answer: 9					1	3
4. Gives correct answer 13 blocks.						1	
Gives correct explanation such as: He will need two blocks for hutch number 1 and then one block for each of the next blocks.						1	2
					Total Points		9

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Winning Lines

This problem gives you the chance to:

• work with a 'magic square' type number game

Gina and Sam are playing a card game. They place number cards on a large game board. A **target number** is written inside a circle at the top of each board.

To win a point they need to make a line of three numbers whose sum is the target number.

The three numbers can be written in a column, a row or a diagonal.

In any game the same number cannot be used more than twice. No zeros are allowed.

- 1. Gina and Sam have completed the game shown above. The target number is 14. Draw lines through the five winning lines.
- 2. Here is a game board that has already been started.

One point has been won because 4 + 3 + 5 = 12.

Write numbers on the empty cards to win at least three more points.

Draw lines through your winning lines.

3. Here is a new game board.

Fill in the numbers to win at least four points

Draw in the winning lines.

Explain why the number 8 cannot be used in any winning line.



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Winning Lines	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • work with a 'magic square' type number game Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Draws a line on all 5 winning lines with no extras. Partial credit. Draws a line on 4 or 3 winning lines with no extras. Draws a line on 2 or 1 winning lines with no extras.	3 (2) (1)	3
 2. Creates at least 3 more winning lines and draws in the lines to indicate where they are. <i>Partial credit.</i> Creates 2 or 1 winning lines and draws lines to indicate where they are. or Creates 3 correct winning lines and 1 error. 	2 (1) (1)	2
 3. Fills in the digits to win at least 4 points. Gives correct explanation such as: If the number 8 was used it would mean that only 1 could be used only once to reach the target number and it needs to have 3 digits to be a winning line. 	1	2
Total Points		7

Note: Where student uses a digit more than twice or uses the digit "0" treat as a misread and subtract one point from the total.

Quilt Making

This problem gives you the chance to: • work with 2D shapes and their properties

Matthew and his grandma make patchwork quilts.

Matthew helps his grandma sort the shapes.

1. Today his grandma wants shapes that have at least one right angle for her quilts.

Draw a ring around the shapes with at least one right angle.



2. The next quilt just needs shapes that have at least one line of symmetry.

Put a check mark ($\sqrt{}$) inside the shapes that have at least one line of symmetry.

Name two shapes that **do not** have lines of symmetry.

Name three **quadrilaterals** that have lines of symmetry.

3. Sometimes Matthew's grandma chooses to make a quilt using just one shape. She can only do this using shapes that fit together. Name one of the shapes shown above that will <u>not</u> fit together?

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Qu	ilt Making	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • work with 2D shapes and their properties Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows			section points
1.	Draws a ring around: square, right triangle, rectangle. All correct with no extras.	2	
	Partial credit Two correct with no more than one extra.	(1)	2
2.	Puts a check mark inside the shapes: square, equilateral triangle, rhombus, hexagon, rectangle and pentagon. All 6 correct with no extras. For each extra deduct one point.	2	
	Partial credit 5-4 correct with no extras.	(1)	
	Gives correct answers: Parallelogram, right triangle (accept scalene)		
	Square, rectangle, rhombus	3	
	All 5 correct 3 points		
	Partial credit 4 correct 3 or 2 correct	(2) (1)	5
3.	Gives correct answer: pentagon .	1	1
	Total Points		8

Sum Bugs This problem gives you the chance to: solve problems using multiplication and division 1. Evenbugs can only eat numbers that can be divided by two. Draw a ring around the numbers that this bug can eat. 7 12 20 49 56 65 100 259 Can this bug eat number 348? Explain how you figured this out. 2. Tribugs can only eat numbers that can be divided by three. Draw a ring around the numbers that this bug can eat. 9 13 23 24 60 92 333 6 8 Can this bug eat the number 351? Show how you figured this out. 3. Unibugs can only eat one number. The number is odd, more than 10, divisible by 3 and less than 20. Write down the one number they can eat. Show how you figured this out. 4. Ninobugs can only eat numbers that are divisible by the number nine. Draw a ring around one of these numbers they can eat. 22 112 205 324 764 Show how you figured this out. 5. Sumobugs can only eat numbers that are even, divisible by both 5 and 3, and have three digits. Write down one number they can eat. Show your work. 9

Su	m Bugs	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are: • solve problems using multiplication and division			section
Base	d on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	points
1.	Draws a ring around #s 12, 20, 56, 100 and no others.	1	
	Yes and shows that $348 \div 2 = 174$ or states that the last digit is even and therefore the number is even.	1	2
2.	Draws a ring around the #s 6, 9, 24, 60, 333 and no others.	1	
	Yes and shows $351 = 3 \times 117$ or states that the digit sum is divisible by 9.	1	
			2
3.	Gives correct answer: 15	1	
	Shows work such as: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 are # between 10 and 20 12, 15, 18 are divisible by 3		
	Unly 15 is odd.	1	
	Only 11, 13, 15, 17 19 are odd	or	
	Only 15 is divisible by 3	1	2
4.	Gives correct answer: 324 and no others.	1	
	Gives a correct explanations such as: $324 = 9 \times 36$	1	
			2
5.	Gives one correct answer such as: 120, 300	1	
	and snows some correct work		1
	Total Points		9

Balanced Assessment Test – Fourth Grade 2009

Core Idea	Task			
Number Operations	Dragonflies			
The task asks students to rea	son about equal size groups for multiplication and			
division in the context of dra	agonfly parts, such as number of wings. Successful			
students could find the quan	tity of parts given the number of dragonflies using			
repeated addition or multipli	ication. They could also find the number of dragonflies			
given the total number of pa	rts using repeated addition or subtraction.			
Geometry	Fair Play			
The task asks students to fin	d area and perimeter of a rectangle. In third grade			
students regularly find area	by counting the number of square units in a rectangle. In			
fourth, grade students should	d start to use multiplication of length times width to find			
the area. Successful students	s could find the perimeter of a rectangle, divide the area of			
a rectangle into half, and fin	d the perimeter of half the rectangle.			
Number Operations/	Mayan Numbers			
Patterns				
The task asks students to loc	bk at a visual pattern and extend the pattern by drawing.			
Then students are asked to in	nterpret the symbols and use them to solve simple number			
problems. Successful studen	nts could decode and extend part of the pattern and use the			
symbols to accurately do cal	culations involving addition and subtraction.			
Number Properties	Leapfrog Fractions			
The task asks students to wo	ork with the concept of adding familiar fractions to make a			
total of one-whole. At this g	rade level, students should be able to reason about			
equivalent fractions and use models to help them reason about one-whole. Many				
students at this grade level know that $1/2 + 1/4 + 1/4 = 1$. Successful students could				
also think about thirds, ninths and eighths.				
Data	Texting			
This task asks students to read	ad and to interpret line plots and construct a line plot from			
a frequency (tally) chart. Su	accessful students could make a line plot and identify			
similarities and differences i	n the data of two line plots.			

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Dragonflies

This problem gives you the chance to: • use multiplication and division in a real-life situation

Grade 4 students are visiting an insect farm. They have learned that a dragonfly has:

6 legs, 4 wings, 2 antennae and 3 bodyparts.

The students are watching different groups of dragonflies.

- 1. In a group of 5 dragonflies, how many wings are there? Show how you figured this out.
- 2. The students count 28 antennae, how many dragonflies are there? Show how you figured this out.
- 3. Lisa counts 10 heads, how many bodyparts can she see?
- 4. Sam says he can see 22 legs on a group of dragonflies. Explain how you know that he has not counted correctly.

5. The span of the wings of an Emperor dragonfly is 4 inches.

A Darter Dragonfly's wing span is 2 inches.

Cody draws a pattern of 8 Emperor dragonflies and 7 Darter dragonflies in a line.





_____ inches

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Dragonflies

Dragonflies	Ru	bric
 The core elements of performance required by this task are: relate fractions, decimals and percents Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows 	points	section
	1	pointo
1. Gives correct answers: 20	1	
Shows work such as: $5 \ge 4 = 20$	1	2
2. Gives correct answer: 14	1	
Shows work such as: 28 divided by $2 = 14$	1	2
3. Gives correct answer: 30	1	1
 4. Gives correct explanation such as: 22 is not divisible by 6. 	1	1
5. Gives correct answer:46	1	
Shows work such as: $8 \ge 4=32$ accept repeated addition. $7 \ge 2=14$ 32 + 14 = 46	2	
Partial credit		
One error	(1)	3
Total Poin	nts	9

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Fair Play

This problem gives you the chance to: • find areas and perimeters of rectangles

The Grade 4 students have a play area. These are its measurements.





square yards

- The students would like a fence to be put around the area to stop balls going too far. What will the total length of the fence be? Show how you figured this out.
- 3. The girls say that the boys take up too much space with their ball games. They want the area to be split into two equal parts. Here are two possible ways of dividing the area.





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What are the perimeters of these areas?

A = _____yards

B = _____yards

4. Draw a straight line that divides the play area into two equal parts in a **different** way.





Fair Play

Fai	Ru	bric	
The o • to fi Base	points	section points	
1.	Gives correct answer: 200 square yards	1	
	Shows work such as: $20 \times 10 = 200$	1	_
			2
2.	Gives correct answer: 60 yards	1	
	Shows work such as: $10 + 20 + 20 + 10 = 60$	1	
			2
3.	Gives correct answer: $A = 40$ yards	1	
	Gives correct answer: $B = 50$ yards	1	
			2
4.	Makes an area such as: a right triangle.	1	
			1
	Total Points		7

Mayan Numbers

This problem gives you the chance to: • use symbolic notation



1. Continue writing the Mayan numbers up to number 18.

Adding and subtracting in Mayan numbers is easy. Here is a sum done for you.



Here are some Mayan calculations for you to do. Write the correct answers in **Mayan symbols**.



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Mayan Numbers

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Mayan Numbers			bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are:			
• use symbolic notation	• use symbolic notation		
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned	l as follows	points	points
1. Gives correct answers:			
2 lines and two spots for 12		4	
2 lines and three spots for 13		4	
2 lines and four spots for 14			
3 lines for 15			
3 lines and one spot for 16			
3 lines and two spots for 17			
3 lines and three spots for 18			
Partial credit			
1 or 2 errors		(3)	
3 or 4 errors		(2)	
5 errors		(1)	4
2. Gives correct answer: 2 lines for 10		1	
			1
3 Gives correct answer: 3 spots for 3		1	1
4 Gives correct answer: 1 line and 4 spots for 9		1	
+. Gives confect answer: 1 fine and + spots for 2		1	1
5 Gives correct answer: 3 spots for 3		1	1
			-
6. Gives correct answer: 2 lines and 1 spot for 11		1	
Note			1
Questions #2 6 Gives a correct number only score as a n	nisraad		
Questions $\#_2 = 0$ Gives a confect number only, score as a m	Total Dainta		0
	TOTAL POINTS		ש

Leapfrog Fractions

This problem gives you the chance to:

• use fractions to solve problems

These leaping frogs are playing a fraction game. They leap from lily pad to lily pad adding up the fractions as they go.

They have just three lily pads each.

When they have counted up to one whole, and no more, they can reach the island in the center of the lake.

1. Complete the lily pad fractions so that these five frogs can get to the island. Write your answers on the empty lily pads.



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2. Frog number 6 wants to join his friends on the island. His three lily pads are:

$$1/4 + 1/5 + 10/20$$

Can he make it? Show how you figured this out.



Leapfrog Fractions

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Leapfrog Fractions	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are:use fractions to solve problems		
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Gives correct answers: accept equivalent fractions		
Frog 1: 1/4		
Frog 2: 1/6		
Frog 3: 3/10	5 x 1	
Frog 4 : 3/4		
Frog 5: 1/3		
		5
2. Gives correct answer: No and shows work such as:		
1/4 = 5/20 $1/5 = 4/20$ $5 + 4 + 10 = 19$		
So Frog #6 is 1/20 short	2	
Accept diagrams		
Attempts to compare fractions	(1)	
	(1)	2
Total Points		7

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Texting

This problem gives you the chance to:

• use line plots to compare two sets of data

Nicola thinks she receives more text messages than she sends.

To check this out she made a line plot showing the messages she **sent** each day this week.



Explain how you know.

Texting

3.	Write two	things	that are	the same	in l	both	line	plots.
		- 0-					-	

4. Compare one thing that is different in the line plots.



Texting

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Texting	Ru	bric
The core elements of performance required by this task are:use line plots to compare two sets of data		
Based on these, credit for specific aspects of performance should be assigned as follows	points	section points
1. Draws a correct line plot. Partial credit	3	
One error 2 points Two errors 1 point	(2) (1)	3
2. Gives correct answer: No and She sent the same number of texts as she received. 18 texts	2	2
 Writes two things that are the same in the bar graphs, such as: Both have 2 days with no messages. Both have the same number of texts on Monday. 	2f.t. x 1	2
 Writes one thing that is different, such as: Nicola sends fewer texts at the weekend than she receives. 	1f.t.	1
Total Points		8