

As you arrive...



- Review the handout with the descriptions of the eight Standards for Mathematical Practice (SMP).
- Choose at least one SMP and describe it in your own words in one or two sentences.

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Interpreting the Standards for Math. Practice



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- ***Background:*** Learn about resources we are developing to support teacher learning about the standards for mathematical practice (SMP)
- ***Math Task:*** Engage as learners in an experience of one mathematics task then discuss how we used habits of mind aligned with the SMP.
- ***(Introduce Lesson Planning Protocol if we have time.)***
- ***Part II (9:30-10:30):*** Look at student dialogue on this task.

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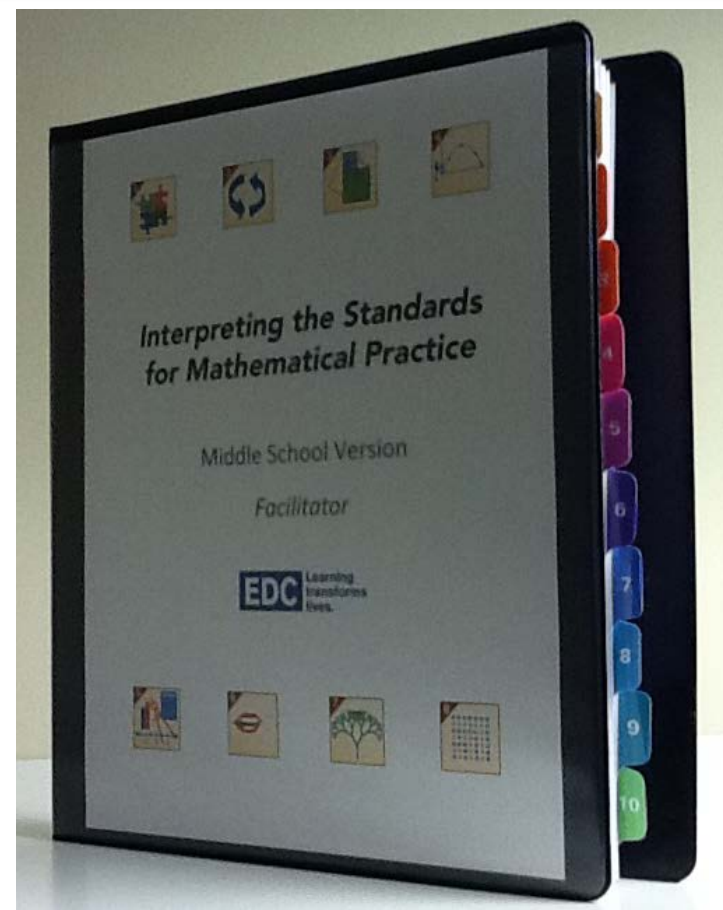
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Professional Development

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Three Main Activity Types:

- Doing and Discussing Mathematics
- Analyzing Artifacts of Student Thinking
- Connecting to Classroom Practice





Why are the Standards for Mathematical Practice, and the habits of thinking they describe, important?

(See video.)

Exploring an Illustration: Postage Stamps – Integer Combinations



- 1) Work on mathematics task (individual then pairs)
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- 3) During Part II (9:30-10:30): Read and discuss student dialogue and mathematical overview.

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Part 2: Suppose the post office only sold six-cent and nine-cent stamps. Which amounts of postage is it impossible to make?

**Work individually for 3 min (quietly), then in pairs (loudly 😊).
Keep track of thinking, questions, wrong turns, etc.**

Postage Stamps – Integer Combinations: Discussing Mathematics



What strategies did you use to explore the problem?

How did you start the problem?

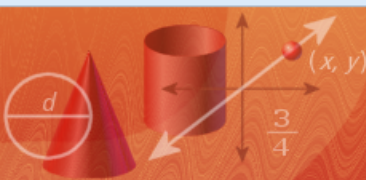
What conjectures or questions do you have at this point?

Postage Stamps – Integer Combinations: Reflecting on the SMP



What evidence of the SMP did you see in...

- 1) Your own work on the task?
- 2) Colleagues' work on the task?



Integer Combinations—Postage Stamps Problem (MS Version)

Mathematics Task and Student Dialogue

Targeted Standards »

Teacher Reflection Questions »

Mathematical Overview »

Student Materials »

The mathematics task is intended to be a problem or question that encourages the use of mathematical practices. The dialogue is meant to show how students might engage in the mathematical practices as they work on the task. Before reading the dialogue, work on the mathematics task. Next reflect on the mathematical practices you engaged in while working on the task. Finally read the student dialogue.

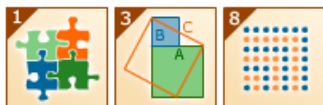
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Student Dialogue

Students in this dialogue have learned about factorization and multiples. They are now exploring what numbers can be produced by adding only two types of numbers.

[Open Student Dialogue \(in its own window\)](#)
[Jump to Comment section](#)



- (1) **Sam** Well, let's see. I can make postage that is **5** cents, **10** cents, **15** cents, and so on using only five-cent stamps. And I can make postage that is **7** cents, **14** cents, **21** cents, and so on using seven-cent stamps.
- (2) **Dana** So, it looks like all multiples of **5** and **7** can be made.
- (3) **Anita** Yes, but so can combinations of different stamps. Like the problem said, you can have **1** five-cent stamp and **2** seven-cent stamps to make **19** cents.
- (4) **Dana** You're right. Why don't we make a table to keep track of everything? How about a table like this: *[draws the following]*

Total Postage	How?

We can already start filling out some of this. We know we can't make any postage smaller than **5** since the five-cent stamp is the smallest stamp we have.

Planning Protocol



- Identify goals related to SMP and mathematical content
- Anticipate student thinking and strategies to support students to engage in the SMP
- Plan questions to ask students

Planning Instruction to Support SMP



In pairs, work for a few minutes on the following:

- 1) Anticipate student thinking on this task.
- 2) List questions & supports that will create and develop opportunities for students to engage in the SMP.

Planning for SMP



What do you want to keep in mind as you plan instruction that supports student engagement in the SMP?

(For this task or other tasks...)

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Questions?

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Thank you! Come back at 9:30 to examine student dialogues and work.

(If you are interested in having a group in the 2014-2015 fieldtest of the PD curriculum, talk to me or email mathpractices@edc.org or jnikula@edc.org)

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As you arrive, complete sentence starters...



- Something I understand about the Standards for Mathematical Practice (SMP) is...
- An SMP I want to understand better is...

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- ***Background:*** Learn more about the Student Dialogues that are part of the Illustrations.
- ***Student dialogue*** Engage as learners in an experience of analyzing a student dialogue and analyzing the students' use of habits of mind aligned with the SMP.
- ***(If time – brief student work analysis)***

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Illustrations



- Student dialogues clarify the *meaning* of SMP by showing what a conversation among students engaging in SMP might look like.
 - Embedded in the context of specific mathematical content.
 - Model productive mathematical discourse.
 - Strategically chosen student characters.
- Each dialogue is accompanied by supporting materials:
 - A mathematical problem
 - Teacher discussion/reflection questions
 - A mathematical overview
 - Follow-up activities and discussion questions for students

Illustration Development Process

- Two cycles of Illustration development
- Internal mathematical review
- Teacher Advisory Group
 - MS and HS teachers, math coaches, teacher leaders, math directors
- Expert panel review
 - Mathematicians, math educators, and mathematics teachers
 - Facilitated by TERC/external evaluators
 - Reviews provide feedback and specific suggestions for revision
- Revision and final review
- Final edit and preparation for website

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- 3) Read student dialogue – working on math task
 - 4) Discuss dialogue (small groups)
 - 5) Debrief MPs from the task/dialogue (whole group)
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- 6) Review Mathematical Overview

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Student Dialogue Exploration: Introduce Student Dialogues – Part I

- Dialogue between three fictitious middle grades or high school characters (either Sam, Dana, and Anita, or Chris, Lee, and Matei) working on a mathematics task
- The dialogues are intended to:
 - Clarify the *meaning* of particular SMP by showing what student discourse could be
 - Illustrate *key ideas* about the Standards for Mathematical Practice (SMP) in context using specific mathematical content
 - Serve as an artifact to promote discussion among educators about the SMP, about mathematics, and about issues of teaching practice.

Student Dialogue Exploration: Introduce Student Dialogues – Part II

- Given the intention to illustrate the meaning and key ideas of the SMP:
 - Plausible student thinking, but the discourse may not always sound realistic.
 - The student characters are “caricatures,” intended to illustrate particular types of thinking and discussion.
 - A teacher voice is intentionally not included.
 - Discussion of whether or how a teacher might intervene, or of how to promote similar thinking with your own students, are productive avenues for discussion.

Reading the Student Dialogue



- 3 volunteers read the student dialogue out loud
- Re-read the dialogue individually:
 - Try to understand how the students are thinking about the task.
 - Then, note places where the students seem to be engaging in any of the Standards for Mathematical Practice.

Discuss Student Dialogue in Small Groups

(Be specific about evidence in dialogue. Refer to SMP handout.)

1. Describe the strategies used by students in the Student Dialogue as they work on the mathematics task.
2. Where in the Student Dialogue do you see students constructing viable arguments and critiquing the reasoning of others (MP 3)?
3. What other evidence do you see of students engaging in any of the Standards for Mathematical Practice?
4. Had the students in the dialogue started to randomly list combinations, how (if at all) would you intervene? Had the students used the table approach in the dialogue but continued making combinations up to 60 without noticing a pattern or generalizing an argument, how (if at all) would you intervene?
5. *What conjectures do you have about what characterizes two postage denominations, and , for which ... (a) can all postage values after a certain point be made, and (b) will always have postage values that can't be made?*

Mathematical Overview



Review the mathematical overview – what surprises you or resonates with you?

Student Work Analysis: Learn to Use the Protocol

- “Evidence of Student Thinking” column is to record evidence of students’ mathematical approaches or thinking about the task
- “SMP” column is to record when you think students are engaged in one or more of the Standards for Mathematical Practice (SMP).
- “Inferences/Questions/Wonderings” column is to note possible interpretations and questions about the student thinking identified.

Student Work Analysis: Discuss Student Thinking

Spend time individually analyzing 1-2 pieces of student work and filling in the protocol for each piece of work.

Discuss findings and questions in small groups.

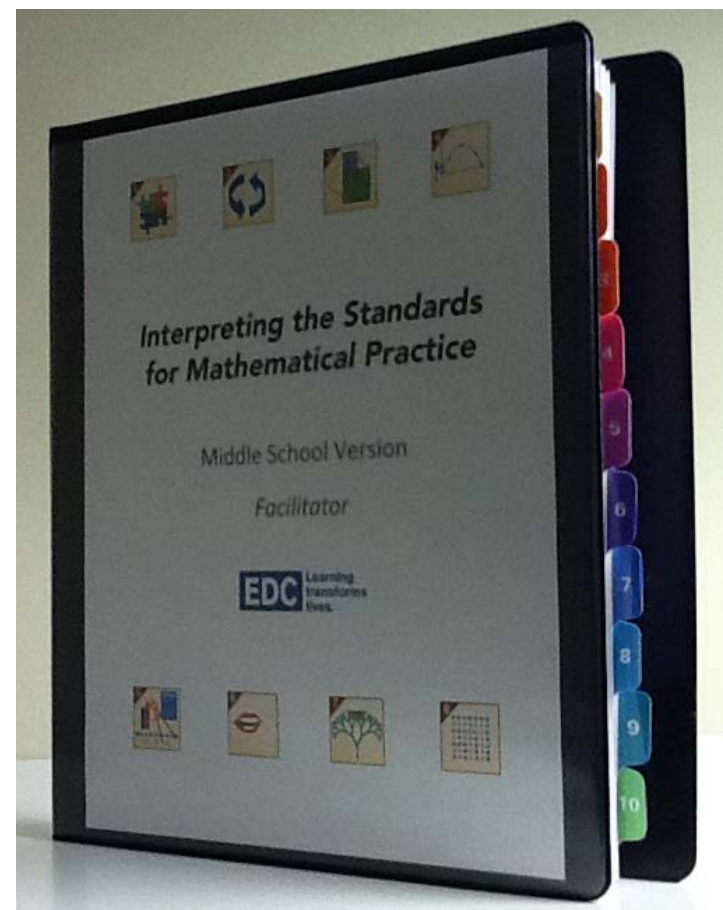
- Use evidence from the student work during the discussion.
- Discussion questions include:
 - How would you characterize the students' understanding and approaches to the task?
 - Describe how a particular piece of work provides evidence of one or more the SMP (or a “seed” for one of the SMP).
 - Did all (or most) samples of student work show evidence of the same SMP?
 - Choose an inference, question, or wondering from column 3 to share and discuss.

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