

Foundations of Math Observation/Teacher Reflection Tool

Teacher(s):	School:	Preconference Date:
Observation Date:	Year teacher completed FoM:	Observation/Self Reflection 1 2 3
Time:	Observer (if applicable):	Grade Level(s):
Content, Program or Strategy (i.e. NumberWorlds, Math I, etc):	Level (if applicable):	Class Period and/or Location (i.e. Synchronous remote instruction/face to face):
# students in group:	# Model Lesson Completed (if applicable):	Co-Taught Lesson: YES / NO
Sum of Observed Items (a):	Number of Observed Items (b):	Average Score (Sum of observed items divided by the number of observed items a/b):

The teacher has completed the following course(s): Check all that apply.

- Co-Teaching-Going Beyond Basics
 FoM
 Trained in Program/Strategy by a certified instructor

Teacher Self Reflection Notes: *If completing the form for self-reflection, the teacher/service provider using the tool should have completed FoM. After teaching or watching a video of your math lesson, rate your lesson using the rating scale below.*

Observer Notes: *If completing the form as an NC SIP site for fidelity data collection, the observer using the tool should have completed the All Leaders: FoM Overview and/or completed Level 1 of FoM. While observing the teacher, do not coach the teacher during the observation. This information can be used for coaching after the observation is complete. The observation should last through the entire lesson.*

RATING SCALE		All items will not be observed within one classroom visit.	
Rating 0 = Skill not Demonstrated/Missed opportunity	Rating 1 = Improperly Implemented	Rating 2 = Somewhat Properly Implemented	Rating 3 = Appropriately Implemented

❖ Leave the rating **BLANK** if the skill was NOT APPLICABLE to the observation. Indicate scale score in the left-hand column of the form below. (R Column= Numerical Rating)

The lesson utilizes language that attends to precision, is mathematically accurate and adequately scales to higher level mathematics.				
TR	Teacher evidence, examples and vital behaviors seen in the classroom	SR	Student evidence, examples and vital behaviors seen in the classroom	Comments
	Promoting discourse, growth mindset, and perseverance through productive struggle		Perseverance and discourse using math tools such number lines, base ten blocks, and visual models connected to computation	
	Uses language of equal value as opposed to “same as” for the equal sign		Language that always attends to precision (same value, composing and decomposing, tens vs one’s vs hundreds and the relationship of power of ten)	
	Mathematical language is accurate and connects to the components of number sense without fostering misconceptions that may expire in upper grades mathematics		Discourse that demonstrates the student recognizes and make use of patterns and/or structures	

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	Conceptual understanding that fosters the ability to reason and communicate mathematically		Reasons abstractly, as well as quantitatively and communicates that to others	
	Engages students in discourse and activities that improve number sense		Students reason and respond to the thinking of others	
	Heterogeneous grouping of students with teacher-facilitated questions that promote rigorous dialogue and understanding		Use of symbols and words to describe and explain math, as well as construct arguments	
Making connections between math concepts, the components of number sense and to previous learning; encouraging students to build their own understanding.				
TR	<i>Teacher evidence, examples and vital behaviors seen in the classroom</i>	SR	<i>Student evidence, examples and vital behaviors seen in the classroom</i>	<i>Comments</i>
	Promotes understanding of the importance of derived facts to solve computation problems		Uses derived facts to solve computational problems and can explain why	
	Mathematical properties are embedded within content and components of number sense (not definitions to be memorized)		Uses mathematical properties to solve problems and explain why they work	
	Models, uses think aloud, and components of number sense to promote the connections between data and its meaning		Represents data in mathematically appropriate ways and interprets data with accurate justifications	
	Teaches place value as a system and not just a place		Recognizing place value system not just as a place	
	Mathematical situations/structures (not key words) are taught explicitly		Can explain and model using mathematical situations/structures to solve word problems	
	Emphasizes part-whole relationships and conservation of units		Grouping and attention is given to units, recognizes part-whole relationships	
	An underlying story structure or context that is connected across multiple models to develop the concepts		Can develop and use stories to connect to the mathematical procedures in a mathematically accurate way (prove/disprove claims)	
	Instruction builds on what they already know through use of think aloud, models, and components of number sense		Frequently makes connections between and among situations/concepts with repeated practice	

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	Connections of counting numbers to objects counted - accurate language that conserves quantity and magnitude and equality		Makes mathematically accurate connections of counting numbers to objects counted	
	Teaches flexible forms for computation and multiple ways of regrouping and forms of the value		Can compute and reason using decomposing/composing, partial products, concrete multiplication, different forms of an equal value and proportional reasoning	
	Teaches the relationship between components of number sense		Utilizes and references previously learned concepts to develop a more complex deeper understanding	
Evidence of all three, concrete, representational and abstract in the lesson, ability for students to access information at all three levels of understanding.				
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	Ongoing formative assessment and high-quality feedback		Monitors own progress and seeks feedback	
	Teaches multiple ways to represent concepts and solve problems		Extension of ideas by using more than one strategy or explain the current strategy with words and mathematically accurate visuals	
	Mathematical models (both concrete and visual) are appropriately introduced and taught explicitly		Application of a variety of appropriate concrete and visual mathematical models for concepts	
	Entry point of the lesson includes a concrete display of the concepts		Displays multiple ways to represent concepts and solve problems	
	Teacher displays understanding of number sense by fostering the use of mental math and the mental number line		Student displays number sense by using mental math Student displays number sense by using a mental number line	
	Meaning of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division algorithms are displayed concretely, visually and abstractly		Uses concrete, representational, and abstract models with understanding instead of just procedures to solve problems	
	Focus on conceptual understanding and not just a procedure		Reasoning behind algorithms is stated or displayed	
	Base Ten Frame/Mat		Base Ten Frame	

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Graphs	Graphs
Hundreds Board	Hundreds Board
Base Ten Blocks	Base Ten Blocks
Fraction Strips/Bars/Tiles	Fraction Strips/Bars/Tiles
Array Models	Array Models
Chips	Chips
Unifix Cubes	Unifix Cubes
Tallies	Tallies
Situation Structures	Situation Structures
Number Bonds	Number Bonds
Number Lines	Number Lines
Subitizing	Subitizing
Money Exchanges	Money Exchanges
Pawns and Number Cubes/Hands on Equations	Pawns and Number Cubes/Hands on Equations
Visual Representations	Visual Representations
Concrete Multiplication Mat	Concrete Multiplication Mat

(Rating is only for reflective or coaching purposes; not an evaluative score)

Teacher Rating:

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Student Rating:

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Strengths:

Next Steps:

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