

2015 Early Math Summer Institute | MEME Meaning-making in Early Math Education

NOTE CATCHER FOR OBSERVING "DOT CARD MATH TALK"

- 1. What facilitative strategies are being used by the teacher to surface the mathematical Big Idea?
- 2. What student behaviors are you observing that indicate students' mathematical thinking?

In the Video:	Identify the facilitative strategies that the teacher is using to move the
	learning forward.
In the Video:	Identify student behavior that shows evidence of mathematical thinking
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Facilitator Track Day 2

High-Impact Strategies for Early Mathematics ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS TO EXAMINE QUALITY IN 9 DIMENSIONS

	Learning Objectives
AT	Does the teacher make the learning objective, or purpose, of the lesson clear to students? Is the learning objective focused on procedures or concepts?
	Mathematical Representations
WHAT	Are the mathematical representations accurate? Do they help students make sense of mathematical ideas?
	Concept Development
	Does the lesson lead students to a deeper understanding of concepts? Does the teacher help students generalize what they've learned?
	Attention to Developmental Trajectories
	Is the lesson pitched to the right developmental level? Does the teacher scaffold to help build students' understanding?
0	Response to Students' Individual Needs
МНО	Is the teacher aware of how individual students are learning the concepts? Does the teacher adjust the lesson when necessary?
	Dev. Appropriate Learning Formats
	Is the format of the lesson developmentally-appropriate?
	Planning
	Has the teacher prepared for the lesson's activities? Is the teacher intentional in her plans or following a manual without making it her own?
	Student Engagement
МОН	Who is doing the bulk of the math work—the thinking, explaining, and justification?
	Establishment of a Mathematical Learning Community
	Does the lesson promote a culture of learning where math is understood to be an important, sense-making activity? Are students welcomed to share their ideas?





CLASSROOM OBSERVATION FORM

Lesson Title:	Identifying Shapes		Teacher:		
Focus of Obse	ervation: What am I doing to support my ELL stu	idents in their	School: Coach: Date:		
	f shapes?				
•	lected		Group Size:	Small group	Centers/Free choice
Start Time: _	End Time:		Planning Conversation? Y / N		Video? Y/N
Time (Video Synch)	Teacher Data What is the teacher doing?		Child Data What are the children doing?		Comments/Questions Process standards, Content, "Big Ideas," Math language
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NOTE CATCHER FOR OBSERVING "MITTENS & GLOVES" LESSON

- 1. How do I help the students to focus on the attributes of gloves vs. mittens as they are sorting them into categories?
- 2. How am I getting the students to explain their thinking and justify their sorting choices?

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Lesson Title: Mittens and Gloves Focus of Observation: How data collected Start Time: End Time:		School:	
		Group Size:	
		Planning Conversation? Y / N	
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Day 2 Reflections

- What was said or done today that . . .
 - ...Surprised you?
 - ...Delighted you?
 - ...Challenged you?
- What might you take back into your practice?
- Do you have any lingering questions or other thoughts you would like to share with us?
