Our resource has been created for ease of use by both TEACHERS and STUDENTS alike.

Introduction

The NCTM content standards have been used in the creation of this booklet. This method promotes the idea that it is beneficial to learn through practical, applicable, real-world examples. Many of the task and drill sheets are organized around a central problem taken from real-life experiences of the students. The pages of this booklet contain a variety in terms of levels of difficulty and content so as to provide students with a variety of different opportunities. Included are problems using multiplication and division, place value, fractions, percent and decimals. Visual models are included to assist visual learners. Teachers may also choose to use mathematics manipulatives along with the exercises included in this book to help address the needs of kinesthetic learners.

How Is Our Resource Organized?

STUDENT HANDOUTS

Reproducible task sheets and drill sheets make up the majority of our resource.

The task sheets contain challenging problem-solving tasks in drill form, many centered around 'real-world' ideas or problems, which push the boundaries of critical thought and demonstrate to students why mathematics is important and applicable in the real world. It is not expected that all activities will be used, but are offered for variety and flexibility in teaching and assessment. Many of the drill sheet problems offer space for reflection, and opportunity for the appropriate use of technology, as encouraged by the NCTMs Principles & Standards for School Mathematics.

The drill sheets contain 11 Timed Drill Sheets and 6 Warm-Up Drill Sheets, featuring real-life problem-solving opportunities. The drill sheets are provided to help students with their procedural proficiency skills, as emphasized by the NCTM’s Curriculum Focal Points.

The NCTM Content Standards Assessment Rubric (page 6) is a useful tool for evaluating students’ work in many of the activities in our resource. The Reviews (pages 26-28 and 46-48) are divided by grade and can be used for a follow-up review or assessment at the completion of the unit.

PICTURE CUES

Our resource contains three main types of pages, each with a unique purpose and use. A Picture Cue at the top of each page shows, at a glance, what the page is for.

Teacher Guide

* Information and tools for the teacher

Student Handout

* Reproducible drill sheets

Easy Marking™ Answer Key

* Answers for student activities

Timed Drill Stopwatch

* Write the amount of time for students to complete the timed drill sheet in the stopwatch. Recommended times are given on the contents page.

EASY MARKING™ ANSWER KEY

Marking students’ worksheets is fast and easy with our Answer Key. Answers are listed in columns – just line up the column with its corresponding worksheet, as shown, and see how every question matches up with its answer!