Lesson Plan Template

Lesson Segment Focus: Problem Solving MethodsLesson: 3 of 5Course & topic addressed: MathematicsDate: 10/30/19 Grade: 4th

Student Outcomes

Specific learning objectives for	- Be able to solve a multi-step translation problem using the Guess and Check method
this lesson.	- Insert their data into a spreadsheet table using functions to check their math
Describe the connection to	- This lesson is part of section 3 of Chapter 1: Problem Solving and Reasoning
previous lessons. (Prior	- Lesson 1 was about patterns and Inductive Reasoning and lesson 2 introduced Polya's Four-Step
knowledge of students this	Problem Solving Process
builds upon)	- This lesson is the introduction to Polya's 16 Problem Solving Strategies. For the purpose of this lesson,
	we will be starting with Guess and Check as well as Make a Table.
Knowledge of students	- The school district provides each teacher with a classroom set of MacBook Pros for student use.
background (personal, cultural,	Students have a fairly strong concept of spreadsheets from other classes/projects.
or community assets)	

State Academic Content Standards

List the state academic content	- AR.Math.Content.4.OA.A.3 • Solve multistep word problems posed with whole numbers and
standards with which this lesson is	having whole-number answers using the four operations, including problems in which
aligned. Include state abbreviation	remainders must be interpreted. Represent these problems using equations with a letter standing
and number & text of the standard.	for the unknown quantity
	- AR.Math.Content.4.OA.C.5 • Generate a number or shape pattern that follows a given rule •
	Identify apparent features of the pattern that were not explicit in the rule itself
	- AR.Math.Content.4.NF.A.2 • Compare two fractions with different numerators and different
	denominators (e.g., by creating common denominators or numerators, or by comparing to a
	benchmark fraction such as $\frac{1}{2}$)

Academic Language Support

What planned instructional supports might you use to	- I will provide large, visible posters around the room that students can
assist students to understand key academic language to	reference if they have trouble remembering how to convert fractions or
express and develop their content learning?	recalling Polya's Four-Step Problem Solving Method.
	- I will be clear and concise when reading the problem to the class, and allow
	students to ask questions if necessary before they begin working.

What will you do to provide varying supports for	
students at different levels of academic language	
development?	

Key Vocabulary

What vocabulary terms/content	- Strategy, Problem, Plan, Understand, Solve, Guess, Check, Fraction, Numerator, Denominator
specific terminology must be	
addressed for students to master the	
lesson?	

Materials

Materials needed by teacher	- Posters for front of the class, classroom set of laptops	
for this lesson .		
Materials needed by students	- Laptops, internet access, Google Spreadsheets, pencil, paper	
for this lesson .		

Lesson Timeline with Instructional Strategies & Learning Tasks (This should be VERY DETAILED)

t of Time	ng & Learning Activities	e what YOU (teacher) will be doing and/or what STUDENTS will be doing during this part of the lesson.		
	Introduction:	- First I will read the problem aloud to the class		
5 min		- Twenty-two years ago, Robert's daughter was ¼ his age, and his dog Rover was 2.		
		Today Robert's daughter is ½ his age. How old are Robert and his daughter now?		
	Instruction:			
30 min		- Next, I will assist the class in breaking down each part of the question using Polya's		
		Four-Step Problem Solving Method.		
		- 1. Understand:		
		• What is asked?		
		- How old are Robert and his daughter now?		
		• What is given?		
		- Twenty-two years ago, Robert's daughter was 1/4 his age		
		- Today, Robert's daughter is ½ his age		
		- Robert is <i>at least</i> twenty two (Can he be 22 years old though? No, you		
		can't have a child when you're zero years old. Help the class realize that		
		logically he probably isn't younger than 40)		
		- Robert must be an even numbered age		
		- His dog Rover was two years old twenty two years ago. (Is this relevant?)		
		- 2. Plan:		
		Make educated guesses and check your work		

		 3. Solve: I will allow the students to work independently until everyone has found the answer as I walk around the room assisting those that need further instruction 4. Check: I will have the students get into groups to discuss how they got their answer. Note: I suggested that it would be wise to use the Guess and Check Method, however I encouraged students to try other methods they thought might work as well, but they still need to do the table for the spreadsheet. I will have the students compare their thought process. Students will then leave the groups and begin creating their spreadsheets to document their data that they found from making the table, using the functions and autofill abilities to check their math
5 minutes	<u>Closure:</u>	- Once everyone has completed their table and made their graphs, we will discuss our answers and I will allow a few volunteers to show their spreadsheets on the projector and explain how they got their answer and what they did to check that it is correct (besides the spreadsheet)

Accommodations/Modifications

How might I modify instruction for:	TBD
Remediation?	
Intervention?	
IEP/504?	
LEP/ESL?	

Differentiation:

How might you provide a variety of	TBD
instructional methods/tasks/instructional	
strategies to ensure all student needs are	
met?	

Assessments: Formative and/or Summative

Describe the tools/procedures that will be	\Box Formative / \Box Summative	
used in this lesson to monitor students'	\Box Formative / \Box Summative	
learning of the lesson objective/s (include	\Box Formative / \Box Summative	
type of assessment & what is assessed).		
Research/Theory		
Identify theories or research that supports		
the approach you used.		