

3. REACHING IN

IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS AND IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES

MATH: CHARACTERISTICS

Student _____ Teacher _____
 Date _____ Grade _____

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| Has difficulty recognizing numbers | |
| Struggles to solve addition problems | |
| Struggles to solve subtraction problems | |
| Struggles to solve multiplication problems | |
| Struggles to solve division problems | |
| Does not remember math facts | |
| Has difficulty solving story problems | |
| Works math problems from left to right | |
| Struggles to demonstrate knowledge of place value | |
| Struggles to change from one math operation to another | |
| Struggles to do regrouping | |
| Struggles to keep numbers in columns | |
| Has difficulty with skip counting | |
| Confuses operational signs | |
| Has difficulty with money concepts | |
| Has difficulty with measurements | |
| Has number reversals/transposing | |
| Has difficulty with telling time | |
| Has difficulty with schedules and sequences of events | |
| Has difficulty with a number line | |

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MATH: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND INTERVENTIONS

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____ Grade _____

| | Tried/ Duration | Effective Y/N | Remarks |
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| Begin with the easiest problems, and add the harder problems in a progressive order on worksheets | | | |
| Fold or divide math paper into fourths, sixths, eighths, etc. Place one problem in each box | | | |
| Provide visual clues for problem-solving tasks. Use concrete manipulatives | | | |
| Check to see that the meaning of key symbols is clear (+, -, x, etc.) | | | |
| Show relationship of key words to their symbols— all together = +, less than = -, how many more = - | | | |
| Use color code, rhythm, signs, jump-rope, etc. for drills | | | |
| Turn lined paper vertically to help students organize math problems. This keeps the ones, tens, and hundreds in place | | | |
| Use large graph paper. One numeral can be written in each square. Gradually make the transition to regular paper | | | |
| Allow student to use a calculator | | | |
| Drill aloud to teacher or study buddy (use flashcards) | | | |
| Determine if student is developmentally ready for specific concepts | | | |
| Give immediate feedback (ideally, self-check and correct within class time) | | | |
| Reduce quantity of material assigned (odds or evens) | | | |
| Use real money in situations that the student can relate to | | | |
| Check the whole problem, not just the answer (s/he may know how and why but write down the wrong answer) | | | |
| Let the student work on the black/whiteboard (use large motor skills) | | | |
| Provide basic math facts | | | |

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| Use technology (i.e., ALEKS*, FASTT Math* freemathworksheets.com) | | | |
| Teach multiplication using rhyme or other memory devices, (i.e., Rhymes 'n' Times*, Multiplication in a Flash*) | | | |
| Teach to skill level, not grade level | | | |
| Allow use of tables or note cards for assignments and tests (may be a modification for high school) | | | |

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