



Mini-Map for M.EE.6.NS.2

Subject: Mathematics

The Number System (NS)

Grade: 6

Learning Outcome

DLM Essential Element	Grade-Level Standard
M.EE.6.NS.2 Apply the concept of fair share and equal shares to divide.	M.6.NS.2 Fluently divide multi-digit numbers using the standard algorithm.

Linkage Level Descriptions

Initial Precursor	Distal Precursor	Proximal Precursor	Target	Successor
Communicate understanding of "separateness" by recognizing objects that are not joined together. Communicate understanding of set by recognizing a group of objects sharing an attribute. Communicate understanding of a subset by recognizing a subset as a set or group of objects within a larger set that share an attribute.	Divide a set containing 10 or fewer objects into equal subsets (e.g., divide a set consisting of 10 counters into two subsets with 5 counters each).	Communicate understanding that repeated subtraction is subtracting equal groups from a number (e.g., $15 - 5 - 5 - 5$). Represent repeated subtraction using equations (e.g., $15 - 5 - 5 - 5 = 0$), and model repeated subtraction using concrete manipulatives.	Demonstrate understanding of division by splitting a set into an equal number of subsets and communicating the quotient as the number of equal subsets (e.g., a set consisting of 15 objects has three subsets, each containing 5 objects).	Divide a number within 12 by a divisor from 1 to 5 to determine the quotient, using manipulatives as needed.

Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor Linkage Level Relationships to the Target

How is the Initial Precursor related to the Target?

In order to understand division, students must learn to organize items into groups/sets based on a common characteristic such as size, color, shape, or texture. Students working at the Initial Precursor linkage level learn how to sort items by separating a group of items into two groups (e.g., music I like/music I don't like; red fidgets/black fidgets). As students gain comfort sorting items into sets, they are encouraged to communicate their thought process by identifying and naming the characteristic that determines the set (e.g., color, length). Activities that require students to engage actively with the items will foster understanding of set, subsets, and separateness.

How is the Distal Precursor related to the Target?

As students' understanding of labeling and counting sets develops, they will begin working on adding and taking away items from a set. Educators provide opportunities for students to work on developing an understanding of partitioning by actively participating in one-to-one distribution of objects to person, objects to objects, and objects to available space (e.g., giving each person in the group two pencils; given four counters they can line up, then four more counters in front of or on top of the first set; given three chairs at a table, the student would place a cup on the table for each available chair) and taking equal shares away (subtracting) from each person, object, or space. Educators will provide opportunities for students to connect their understanding of subtraction (starting with the whole and taking away a part) to repeated subtraction. For example, if the educator has 12 balls, and each team gets 4 balls, how many teams will there be? By subtracting 4 from the whole repeatedly, we made 3 equal sets so there are 3 teams.



$$12 - 4 = 8$$

$$8 - 4 = 4$$

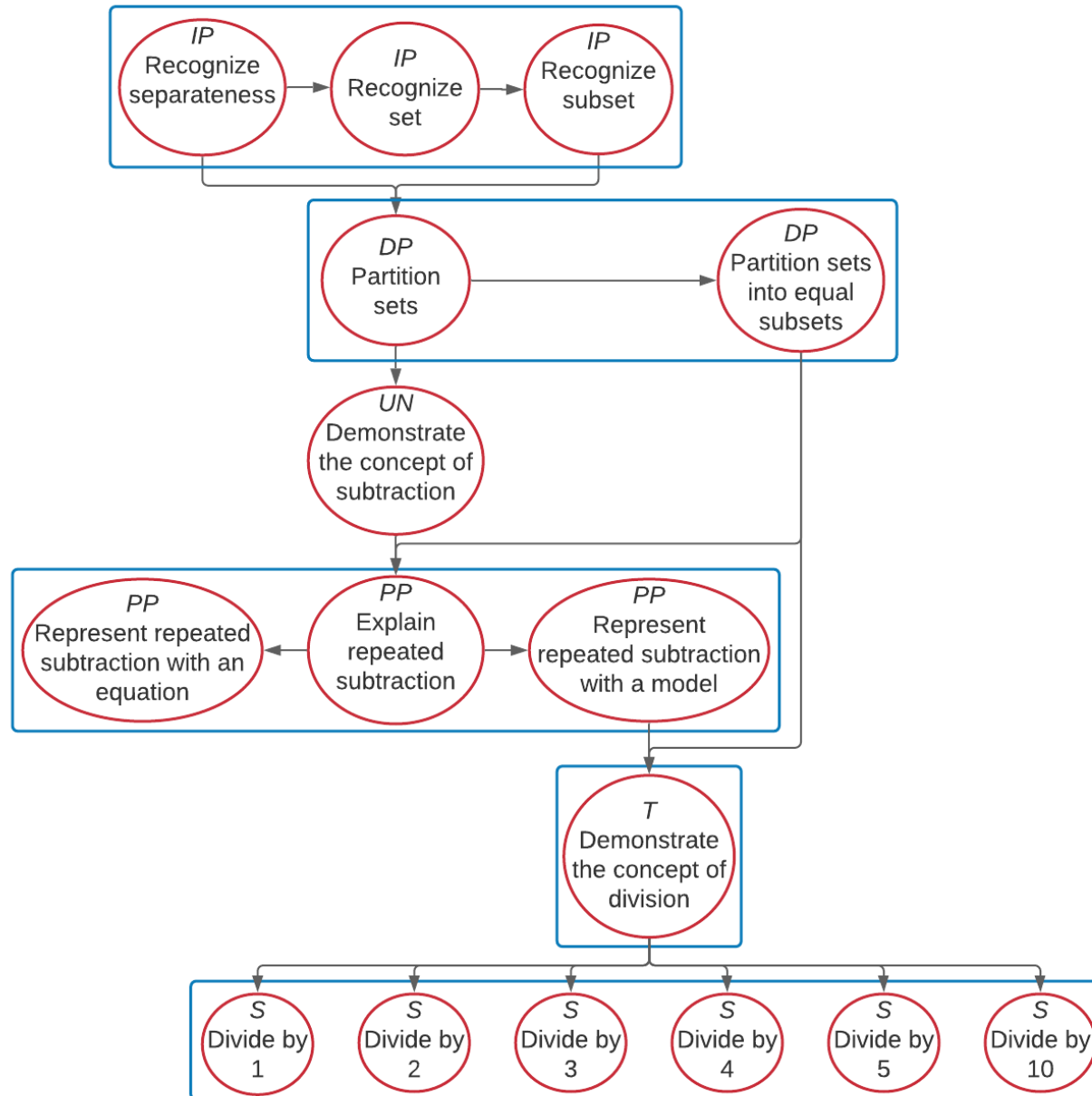
$$4 - 4 = 0$$

Instructional Resources

Released Testlets
See the Guide to Practice Activities and Released Testlets .
Using Untested (UN) Nodes
See the document Using Mini-Maps to Plan Instruction .

[Link to Text-Only Map](#)

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Map Key	
IP	Initial Precursor
DP	Distal Precursor
PP	Proximal Precursor
T	Target
S	Successor
UN	Untested
Boxes indicate tested nodes	