Mini-Map for M.EE.7.NS.2.a
Subject: Mathematics
The Number System (NS)
Grade: 7

Learning Outcome

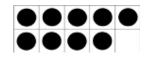| DLM Essential Element	Grade-Level Standard
M.EE.7.NS.2.a Solve multiplication problems with products to 100.	**M.7.NS.2.a** Understand that multiplication is extended from fractions to rational numbers by requiring that operations continue to satisfy the properties of operations, particularly the distributive property, leading to products such as (−1)(−1) = 1 and the rules for multiplying signed numbers. Interpret products of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.

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 a set by recognizing a group of objects sharing an attribute.	Communicate understanding that in repeated addition problems, a single numerical value is added repeatedly (e.g., 6 + 6 + 6) and that one way to add a number a given number of times is by using skip-counting as a strategy (e.g., 6 + 6 + 6 can be added as 6, 12, 18). Represent repeated addition problems using an equation showing the addition of the same	Demonstrate multiplication by combining multiple sets containing the same number of objects. Communicate understanding that the number of sets times the number of objects in each set equals the total number of objects.	Multiply a number up to 20 by a number 1 to 10 to determine the product, using manipulatives as needed.	Divide a number by a divisor from 1 to 10 to determine the quotient, using manipulatives if needed. Quotients will not exceed 12. Communicate understanding of multiplication as the number of groups times the number of objects in each group (with the understanding that each group contains an equal number of objects) and that the total number of objects

	numeral the required number of times, and find the correct sum using an addition strategy (e.g., 5 + 5 + 5 = 15).			(i.e., the product) can then be divided by the number of groups to equal the number of objects in each group, and vice versa.

Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor Linkage Level Relationships to the Target

How is the Initial Precursor related to the Target?

Solving multiplication problems requires a student to be able to recognize that two or more sets or groups of items exist. Work on this skill using a variety of sets. Help students recognize when items are grouped together into a set or separated out. As educators present a set, they label it (e.g., two balls, one marker, three CDs), count the items, label it again, and encourage students to use numerals to label and count the separate sets. Use tools like the ten-frame to point out whole and parts (e.g., a row of 5 dots and a row of 4 dots are parts or subsets of 9).

How is the Distal Precursor related to the Target?

As students' understanding of labeling and counting sets develops, they will begin working on adding items to a set and combining sets to create a new set. Additionally, students will work on developing an understanding of equal shares 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 would line up 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). As students learn to work with sets and connect their understanding of equal shares to sets, educators will provide students experience with combining multiple sets (e.g., 3 sets with 4 counters each) and represent the problem (e.g., 4 + 4 + 4 = ?). Students will also learn to represent the problem using a pencil or their communication system (e.g., the student is shown 4 equal sets each with 2 counters. The student counts the first set and writes a 2 or indicates 2, then writes or indicates the plus sign. The student repeats for all 4 sets and then indicates the equal sign and solves the problem.).

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.

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