

Mini-Map for M.EE.8.NS.1

Subject: Mathematics

The Number System (NS)

Grade: 8

Learning Outcome

DLM Essential Element	Grade-Level Standard
M.EE.8.NS.1 Subtract fractions with like denominators (halves,	M.8.NS.1 Know that numbers that are not rational are called
thirds, fourths, and tenths) with minuends less than or equal to	irrational. Understand informally that every number has a
one.	decimal expansion; for rational numbers show that the decimal
	expansion repeats eventually, and convert a decimal expansion
	which repeats eventually into a rational number.

Linkage Level Descriptions

Initial Precursor	Distal Precursor	Proximal Precursor	Target	Successor
Communicate	Recognize each object	Communicate	Subtract two fractions	Add or subtract two
understanding of	as the part of a whole	understanding that	with common	fractions where one
"separateness" by	or unit when shown a	when fractional parts	denominators (e.g., 4/5	fraction has a
recognizing objects that	whole or unit	are added, it produces a	- 1/5 = 3/5).	denominator of 10 and
are not joined together.	containing a group of	larger portion of the		one has a denominator
Communicate	objects.	whole, and that when		of 100 (e.g., 5/10 +
understanding of a		fractional parts are		1/100 = 50/100 + 1/100
subset by recognizing a		separated, it results in a		= 51/100).
subset as a set or group		smaller portion of the		
of objects within a		whole. Decompose		
larger set that share an		fractions into sums of		
attribute.		unit fractions with the		
		same denominator		
		(e.g., 3/7 = 1/7 + 1/7 +		
		1/7).		

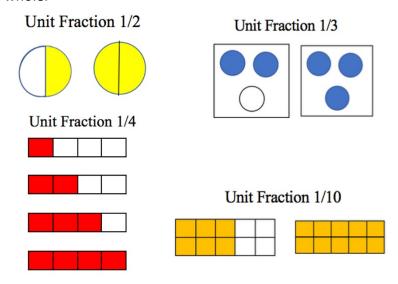
Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor Linkage Level Relationships to the Target

How is the Initial Precursor related to the Target?

Subtracting fractions 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 set of 9 is part of 10).

How is the Distal Precursor related to the Target?

As students work toward greater understanding of sets, educators will provide students with many set models (see below) of fractions using the same unit fraction, either halves, thirds, fourths, or tenths. Students will work on identifying the whole.



Instructional Resources

Released Testlets

See the Guide to Practice Activities and Released Testlets.

Using Untested (UN) Nodes

See the document <u>Using Mini-Maps to Plan Instruction</u>.

Link to Text-Only Map

M.EE.8.NS.1 Subtract fractions with like denominators (halves, thirds, fourths, and tenths) with minuends less than or equal to one.

