## Common Core Instructional Shifts/Emphases in Mathematics

Focus	Coherence	Fluency	Deep Conceptual Understanding	Application
Emphasize depth	Each lesson is not a	Students develop	Students learn more than the trick to get	Students can use math and choose
over breadth.	new event, but builds	mental strategies	the answer they learn the math. See	appropriate concepts even when
Teach less, Learn	on the knowledge	and flexible	concepts from several perspectives.	they are not prompted to do so.
better.	students bring to each	thinking to build	Students see math as more than a set of	Students apply math in real-world
	activity/concept/class.	speed and accuracy	discrete procedures. Students can write	situations. Use math in other
	Make connections	in calculations	and speak about their understanding	content areas to make meaning and
	between topics in math.			access content.

## 8 Common Core Standards for Mathematical Practices

The 8 MPs serve as a guide for what it means to do math and what it means to be a mathematically proficient student in the Common Core era.

MP1.	MP2.	MP3.	MP4.	MP5.	MP6.	MP7.	MP8.
Make sense	e of Reason abstractly	Construct viable	Model with	Use appropriate	Attend to	Look for and	Look for and
problems a	and quantitatively	arguments and	mathematics	tools strategically	precision	make use of	express regularity
persevere in	n	critique the				structure	in repeated
solving the	m	reasoning of					reasoning
		others					

## Depth of Knowledge Levels

The DOK framework is designed to evaluate a task in terms of how deeply a student has to understand the content to be able to successfully complete the task. DOK is not about difficulty, it is about complexity, or depth.

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Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4					
Recall & Reproduction	Basic Skills & Concepts	Strategic Thinking/Reasoning	Extending Thinking					
Requires recall of memorized facts,	multiple concepts or decision points. Explain thinking/steps.  Summarize concepts.	Use concepts to solve non-routine problems. May have	Requires complex					
definitions, simple procedures and rote		more than one answer and/or more than one way to	reasoning/investigations,					
response. Applying a formula or		get there. Explain reasoning, especially when more	often over an extended					
performing a simple algorithm. Student		than one way is possible. Key processes: Analyze,	period of time and with					
either knows the answer or does not.		explain, support with evidence, generalize & create.	unpredictable outcomes.					