

## BIG IDEAS

**Design** involves investigating, planning, creating, and evaluating.

Constructing **3D objects** often requires a 2D plan.

**Transferring mathematical skills** between problems requires conceptual understanding and flexible thinking.

**Proportional reasoning** is used to make sense of multiplicative relationships.

Choosing a tool based on required precision and accuracy is important when **measuring**.

## Learning Standards

| Curricular Competencies   | Content   |
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| <p><i>Students are expected to do the following:</i></p> <p><b>Reasoning and modelling</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop <b>thinking strategies</b> to solve puzzles and play games</li> <li>• Explore, <b>analyze</b>, and apply mathematical ideas using <b>reason</b>, <b>technology</b>, and <b>other tools</b></li> <li>• <b>Estimate reasonably</b> and demonstrate <b>fluent, flexible, and strategic thinking</b> about number</li> <li>• <b>Model</b> with mathematics in <b>situational contexts</b></li> <li>• <b>Think creatively</b> and with <b>curiosity and wonder</b> when exploring problems</li> </ul> <p><b>Understanding and solving</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop, demonstrate, and apply conceptual understanding of mathematical ideas through play, story, <b>inquiry</b>, and problem solving</li> <li>• <b>Visualize</b> to explore and illustrate mathematical concepts and relationships</li> <li>• Apply <b>flexible and strategic approaches</b> to <b>solve problems</b></li> <li>• Solve problems with <b>persistence and a positive disposition</b></li> <li>• Engage in problem-solving experiences <b>connected</b> with place, story, cultural practices, and perspectives relevant to local First Peoples communities, the local community, and other cultures</li> </ul> | <p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>measuring</b>: using tools with graduated scales; conversions using metric and imperial</li> <li>• similar <b>triangles</b>: including right-angle trigonometry</li> <li>• 2D and 3D shapes: including area, surface area, volume, and nets</li> <li>• <b>3D objects</b> and their views (isometric drawing, orthographic projection)</li> <li>• <b>mathematics in the workplace</b></li> <li>• <b>financial literacy</b>: business investments and loans</li> </ul> |

Learning Standards (continued)

| Curricular Competencies  | Content |
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| <p><b>Communicating and representing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Explain and justify</b> mathematical ideas and <b>decisions</b> in <b>many ways</b></li> <li>• <b>Represent</b> mathematical ideas in concrete, pictorial, and symbolic forms</li> <li>• Use mathematical vocabulary and language to contribute to <b>discussions</b> in the classroom</li> <li>• Take risks when offering ideas in classroom <b>discourse</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Connecting and reflecting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reflect</b> on mathematical thinking</li> <li>• <b>Connect mathematical concepts</b> with each other, other areas, and personal interests</li> <li>• Use <b>mistakes</b> as <b>opportunities to advance learning</b></li> <li>• <b>Incorporate</b> First Peoples worldviews, perspectives, <b>knowledge</b>, and <b>practices</b> to make connections with computer science concepts</li> </ul> |         |

**Big Ideas – Elaborations**

- **Design:**

*Sample questions to support inquiry with students:*

- How is a product designed?
- How can the design process be applied to meet a need or solve a problem?

- **3D objects:**

*Sample questions to support inquiry with students:*

- What are some limitations that result when 3D objects are represented in 2D?
- Which type of 2D representation would be the most appropriate for a 3D object?
- How does visualization help when solving problems?
- How does visualization help break down a larger problem?

- **Transferring mathematical skills:**

*Sample questions to support inquiry with students:*

- How does awareness and knowledge of mathematics in the workplace make learning more meaningful?
- What is the mathematics required for a particular trade of interest?

- **Proportional reasoning:**

- reasoning about comparisons of relative size or scale instead of numerical difference
- ways of showing proportional comparison when analyzing problems in situational contexts
  - scale diagrams
  - rates of change

*Sample questions to support inquiry with students:*

- How are proportions used to solve problems?
- What is the importance of proportional reasoning when making sense of the relationship between two things?

- **measuring:**

*Sample questions to support inquiry with students:*

- What skills are required for measuring with accuracy?
- What is the importance of choosing appropriate tools and units when measuring?
- What are the implications of inaccurate measurements?

Curricular Competencies – Elaborations

- **thinking strategies:**
  - using reason to determine winning strategies
  - generalizing and extending
- **analyze:**
  - examine the structure of and connections between mathematical ideas (e.g., proportional reasoning, metric/imperial conversions)
- **reason:**
  - inductive and deductive reasoning
  - predictions, generalizations, conclusions drawn from experiences (e.g., with puzzles, games, and coding)
- **technology:**
  - graphing technology, dynamic geometry, calculators, virtual manipulatives, concept-based apps
  - can be used for a wide variety of purposes, including:
    - exploring and demonstrating mathematical relationships
    - organizing and displaying data
    - generating and testing inductive conjectures
    - mathematical modelling
- **other tools:**
  - manipulatives such as rulers and other measuring tools
- **Estimate reasonably:**
  - be able to defend the reasonableness of an estimated value or a solution to a problem or equation (e.g., reasonableness of measurements)
- **fluent, flexible, and strategic thinking:**
  - including:
    - using known facts and benchmarks, partitioning, applying whole number strategies to expressions involving proportional reasoning, financial analysis, and logic
    - choosing from different ways to think of a number or operation (e.g., Which will be the most strategic or efficient?)
- **Model:**
  - use mathematical concepts and tools to solve problems and make decisions (e.g., in real-life and/or abstract scenarios)
  - take a complex, essentially non-mathematical scenario and figure out what mathematical concepts and tools are needed to make sense of it
- **situational contexts:**
  - including real-life scenarios and open-ended challenges that connect mathematics with everyday life
- **Think creatively:**
  - by being open to trying different strategies
  - refers to creative and innovative mathematical thinking rather than to representing math in a creative way, such as through art or music

Curricular Competencies – Elaborations

- **curiosity and wonder:**
  - asking questions to further understanding or to open other avenues of investigation
- **inquiry:**
  - includes structured, guided, and open inquiry
  - noticing and wondering
  - determining what is needed to make sense of and solve problems
- **Visualize:**
  - create and use mental images to support understanding
  - Visualization can be supported using dynamic materials (e.g., graphical relationships and simulations), concrete materials, drawings, and diagrams.
- **flexible and strategic approaches:**
  - deciding which mathematical tools to use to solve a problem
  - choosing an effective strategy to solve a problem (e.g., guess and check, model, solve a simpler problem, use a chart, use diagrams, role-play)
- **solve problems:**
  - interpret a situation to identify a problem
  - apply mathematics to solve the problem
  - analyze and evaluate the solution in terms of the initial context
  - repeat this cycle until a solution makes sense
- **persistence and a positive disposition:**
  - not giving up when facing a challenge
  - problem solving with vigour and determination
- **connected:**
  - through daily activities, local and traditional practices, popular media and news events, cross-curricular integration
  - by posing and solving problems or asking questions about place, stories, and cultural practices
- **Explain and justify:**
  - use mathematical arguments to convince
  - includes anticipating consequences
- **decisions:**
  - Have students explore which of two scenarios they would choose and then defend their choice.
- **many ways:**
  - including oral, written, visual, use of technology
  - communicating effectively according to what is being communicated and to whom

Curricular Competencies – Elaborations

- **Represent:**
  - using models, tables, graphs, words, numbers, symbols
  - connecting meanings among various representations
- **discussions:**
  - partner talks, small-group discussions, teacher-student conferences
- **discourse:**
  - is valuable for deepening understanding of concepts
  - can help clarify students’ thinking, even if they are not sure about an idea or have misconceptions
- **Reflect:**
  - share the mathematical thinking of self and others, including evaluating strategies and solutions, extending, posing new problems and questions
- **Connect mathematical concepts:**
  - to develop a sense of how mathematics helps us understand ourselves and the world around us (e.g., daily activities, local and traditional practices, popular media and news events, social justice, cross-curricular integration)
- **mistakes:**
  - range from calculation errors to misconceptions
- **opportunities to advance learning:**
  - by:
    - analyzing errors to discover misunderstandings
    - making adjustments in further attempts
    - identifying not only mistakes but also parts of a solution that are correct
- **Incorporate:**
  - by:
    - collaborating with Elders and knowledge keepers among local First Peoples
    - exploring the [First Peoples Principles of Learning](#) (e.g., Learning is holistic, reflexive, reflective, experiential, and relational [focused on connectedness, on reciprocal relationships, and a sense of place]; Learning involves patience and time)
    - making explicit connections with learning mathematics
    - exploring cultural practices and knowledge of local First Peoples and identifying mathematical connections
- **knowledge:**
  - local knowledge and cultural practices that are appropriate to share and that are non-appropriated
- **practices:**
  - [Bishop’s cultural practices](#): counting, measuring, locating, designing, playing, explaining
  - [Aboriginal Education Resources](#)
  - [Teaching Mathematics in a First Nations Context](#), FNECS

Content – Elaborations

- **measuring:**
  - unit analysis
  - precision and accuracy
  - breaking of units into smaller divisions to get more precise measurements
  - extension: project or presentation to share measurement concepts and skills used in a field/career of interest
- **triangles:**
  - situational examples such as stairs and roofs
  - application of Pythagorean theorem
  - situations involving multiple right-angle triangles
- **3D objects:**
  - creating and reading various types of technical drawings
  - extension: project or presentation to share geometry concepts and skills used in a field/career of interest
- **mathematics in the workplace:**
  - compare and contrast mathematics used in different workplace contexts
  - interview someone working in a field of interest
  - extension: project that includes an element of design and mathematical thinking
- **financial literacy:**
  - business investments, loans (lease versus buy), graphical representations of financial growth, projections, expenses
  - extension: project or presentation to share mathematical concepts and skills used in a field/career of interest