Learning-Focused Lesson Plan

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	ropic: Algebraic Equations	
Learning Goals for this Lesson	Standards: (M) 7.EE.03 Solve multi-step real-life and mathematical problems posed with positive and negative rational numbers in any form (whole numbers, fractions, and decimals), using tools strategically. Apply properties of operations to calculate with numbers in any form; convert between forms as appropriate; and assess the reasonableness of answers using mental computation and estimation strategies.	
 Students Will Know: Venn diagram comparing expressions and equations The steps to solving one and two step equations. How to write equations from word problems. 	 Students Will Be Able To Solve one and two step equations. Write one and two step equations from word problems. 	

Lesson Essential Question

How do I write and evaluate algebraic equations?

Activating Strategy

Solving expressions in the bellringer and writing expressions from word problems

Key vocabulary to preview and vocabulary strategy

Equation, two step equation, solution, inverse operation, addition property of equality, subtraction property of equality, multiplication property of equality, division property of equality

Lesson instruction

Learning Activity 1

Review steps to order of operations. Evaluate one step equations using algebra tiles. The teacher will model one problem for the students and then the students' will model equations, isolating the variable and solving the eauations.

Assessment Prompt for LA 1

Students will answer activExpression questions based on their answers to the equations. Students will complete a worksheet on 1 step equations.

Learning Activity 2

Students will work with 1 step equation word problems. This includes addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. The teacher will work examples of each type of problem and have students follow along in their interactive notebooks. We will identify what is needed and write it in words first. Then put in the variables and numbers.

Assessment Prompt for LA 2:

Again, students' will answer questions on the activExpressions based on the answers to the equations they solve. Students will complete a worksheet on 1 step equation word problems.

Learning Activity 3

Review the order of operations. Note that solving 2-step equations is completed in the inverse order of operations. The students will solve 2-step equations. The teacher will work examples of two step

Graphic Organizer

LA 1 - Comparison chart on expressions and equations

LA 2 - Word problem notes

LA 4 - Word problem notes

Assignment:

A. 1: solving one step equations puzzle A.2: solving equations room scavenger hunt

equations with the students in their interactive notebooks. Then the	A.3: writing equations and
students will work examples alone using the same method.	then solving task cards
	A.4: solving equations QR
	codes
Assessment Prompt for LA 3	A.5: solving two step
Students' will complete a Facing Math with two step equations, a puzzle	equations puzzle
where students have to solve two step equations, and solve two step	
equations where students must first combine like terms.	
Learning Activity 4	
Students will work with 2 step equation word problems. The teacher will walk	
through examples and have students follow along in their interactive	
notebooks. We will identify the variable first, then decide what has to be done	
to find the final total. We will identify what is needed and write it in words first.	
Then put in the variables and numbers.	
Assessment Prompt for LA 4	
Students will work with partners to solve a group of equation word problems.	
They will then compare their answers to other groups and discuss any	
discrepancies.	

Summarizing Strategy

Station Rotation:

- 1. Task Station:Have the students complete a task covering equations. The task will involve solving one and two step equations and equation word problems. They will work together in groups of 6, and then present their answers to the classroom. Each student will answer the question first, then the group will have to agree on the process and answer the question and present it to the class.
- 2. Game Station: In groups of 6, students will toss the Clever Catch Algebra 1 Ball (reserved from TTU Lending Library) Students who catch the ball will be answering the problem underneath or closest to their left thumb. Some of the questions could be a review, and some questions could be new and challenging. This can be used as a pre and post as we move through the Expressions and Equations Unit.
- 3. Technology Station: Work on iReady pathways, Mathia, IXL