Building Mathematical Brilliance: The 411 of ELLs

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Learning Goals

Participants will understand that...

- all learners, especially English language learners (ELLs), need to develop the Standards for Mathematical Practice to be successful in the mathematics classroom
- supporting ELLs in the mathematics classroom requires an understanding of language development
- student discourse plays an integral role in developing social and academic language

Participants will know...

- Standards for Mathematical Practice 1 and 3
- the 7 Talk Moves of student discourse
- the 5 Guiding Principles for supporting ELLs in the mathematics classroom

Participants will be able to...

• plan and modify an *ORIGO Stepping Stones* module to better meet the needs of ELLs in the mathematics classroom

What do you hope to learn as a result of this professional learning session? Write a learning goal.

Guiding Principles

- Principle 1: Give ELLs many opportunities to read, to write, to listen to, and to discuss oral and written English and mathematics texts expressed in a variety of ways.
- Principle 2: Draw attention to patterns in English and mathematics language structure.
- Principle 3: Give ELLs classroom time to use their English productively while learning mathematics.
- **Principle 4**: Give ELLs opportunities to **notice their errors** and to **correct their English** while learning mathematics.
- **Principle 5**: Construct activities that maximize opportunities for ELLs to **interact with others** in English.

Along the Track



Do the Ds



Cube 1: DD, DD, DD, DDD, DDD, DDD **Cube 2:** 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

8 Mathematical Standards for Practice

- 1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- 2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
- 3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
- 4. Model with mathematics.
- 5. Use appropriate tools strategically.
- 6. Attend to precision.
- 7. Look for and make use of structure.
- 8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.



How many different ways can you make 40¢ with quarters, dimes and nickels?



A Question or a Problem

*This is a framework.



WIDA Features of Academic Development

	Performance Criteria	Features
Discourse Level	Linguistic Complexity Quantity and variety of oral and written text	Amount of speech/written text Structure of speech/written text Density of speech/written text Organization and cohesion of ideas Variety of sentence types
Sentence Level	Language Forms and Conventions Types, array, and use of language structures	Types and variety of grammatical structures Conventions, mechanics, and fluency Match of language forms to purpose/perspective
Word/Phrase Level	Vocabulary Usage Specificity of word or phrase choice	General, specific, and technical language Multiple meanings of words and phrases Formulaic and idiomatic expressions Nuances and shades of meaning Collocations

WIDA Features of Academic Language Word/Phrase Level		
General Language	Everyday word meanings	
Specific Language	Specific meaning in a content area	
Fechnical Language	Words that are unique to a content area	
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Language Stages

Addition		
Student Language		
Materials Language		
Mathematical Langauge		
Symbolic Language		

Student Language	
Materials Language	
Mathematical Langauge	
Symbolic Language	









Talk Moves

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Talk Moves to Support Classroom Discussions		
Revoicing <i>"So you're saying…"</i>	• Repeat some or all of what the student has said, then ask the student to respond and verify whether or not the revoicing is correct. Revoicing can be used to clarify, amplify, or highlight an idea.	
Repeating "Can you repeat what she said in your own words?"	 Ask a student to repeat or rephrase what another student said. Restate important parts of complex idea in order to slow conversation down and dwell on important ideas. 	
Reasoning <i>"Do you agree or disagree, and why?"</i> <i>"Why does that make sense?"</i>	 After students have had time to process a classmate's claim, ask students to compare their own reasoning. Allow students to engage with each other's ideas. Student: "I respectfully disagree with that idea because"; "This idea makes sense to me because" 	
Adding On "Would someone like to add on to this?"	 Prompt students, inviting them to participate in the conversation or to clarify their own thinking. Student: "I'd like to add on" 	
Wait Time <i>"Take your time"</i>	 Wait after asking a question before calling on a student. Wait after a student has been called on to give the student time to organize his or her thoughts. 	
Turn-and-Talk <i>"Turn and talk to your neighbor…"</i>	 Circulate and listen to partner talk. Use this information to choose whom to call on. Allow students to clarify and share ideas. Allow students to orient themselves to each other's thinking. 	
Revise <i>"Has anyone's thinking changed?"</i> <i>"Would you like to revise your thinking?"</i>	 Allow students to revise their thinking as they have new insights. Student: "I thoughtBut now I thinkbecause" "I'd like to revise my thinking". 	

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Intentional Talk: How to Structure and Lead Productive Mathematical Discussions, 2014

A road rally began at 8 a.m. The first car finished the race in 2 ½ hours. The last car crossed the finish line ¾ of an hour later. What time did the last car finish the race?		
Talk Moves	ELL Support	
□ Revoicing		
□ Repeating		
□ Reasoning		
□ Adding On		
🗆 Wait Time		
Turn-and-Talk		

Why Discourse?























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Preparing for a Module

Focus	Included Supports
Possible El	L Supports
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Language Planning Document

Support	Purpose	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing

Sentence Frame(s)	Beginning	Intermediate	Advance

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	Principles of Engagement	Session Activities
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