

Algebra 1

Scope and Sequence

Quarter 1

Unit of Study 1.1: Looking at Number Sense (5 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Quantities*

N-Q

Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems. [*Foundation for work with expressions, equations, and functions*]

- N-Q.1 Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays.*
- N-Q.2 Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling.*
- N-Q.3 Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.*

The Real Number System

N-RN

Use properties of rational and irrational numbers.

- N-RN.3 Explain why the sum or product of two rational numbers is rational; that the sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational; and that the product of a nonzero rational number and an irrational number is irrational.

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Unit of Study 1.2: Interpreting Algebraic Expressions (7 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Seeing Structure in Expressions

A-SSE

Interpret the structure of expressions [*Linear, exponential, quadratic*]

A-SSE.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.*

- Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, and coefficients.
- Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity. *For example, interpret $P(1+r)^n$ as the product of P and a factor not depending on P .*

A-SSE.2 Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. *For example, see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$. (Linear Only)*

Arithmetic with Polynomials and Rational Expressions

A-APR

Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials [*Linear and quadratic*]

A-APR.1 Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.

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Unit of Study 1.3: Operations with Linear Functions and Inequalities (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Interpreting Functions

F-IF

Understand the concept of a function and use function notation [*Learn as general principle; focus on linear and exponential and on arithmetic and geometric sequences*]

- F-IF.1 Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If f is a function and x is an element of its domain, then $f(x)$ denotes the output of f corresponding to the input x . The graph of f is the graph of the equation $y = f(x)$.
- F-IF.2 Use function notation, evaluate functions for inputs in their domains, and interpret statements that use function notation in terms of a context.

Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context [*Linear, exponential, and quadratic*]

- F-IF.4 For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. *Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity.**
- F-IF.5 Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. *For example, if the function $h(n)$ gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble n engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function.**
- F-IF.6 Calculate and interpret the average rate of change of a function (presented symbolically or as a table) over a specified interval. Estimate the rate of change from a graph.*

Analyze functions using different representations [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, absolute value, step, piecewise-defined*]

- F-IF.7 Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.*
- a. Graph linear and quadratic functions and show intercepts, maxima, and minima.
- F-IF.9 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). *For example, given a graph of one quadratic function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the larger maximum.*

Building Functions**F-BF**

Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities [*For F.BF.1, 2, linear, exponential, and quadratic*]

- F-BF.1 Write a function that describes a relationship between two quantities.*
- Determine an explicit expression, a recursive process, or steps for calculation from a context.
 - Combine standard function types using arithmetic operations. *For example, build a function that models the temperature of a cooling body by adding a constant function to a decaying exponential, and relate these functions to the model.*

Build new functions from existing functions [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, and absolute value; for F.BF.4a, linear only*]

- F-BF.3 Identify the effect on the graph of replacing $f(x)$ by $f(x) + k$, $k f(x)$, $f(kx)$, and $f(x + k)$ for specific values of k (both positive and negative); find the value of k given the graphs. Experiment with cases and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using technology. *Include recognizing even and odd functions from their graphs and algebraic expressions for them.*

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Unit of Study 1.4: Modeling Linear Functions (6 days)

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Linear, Quadratic, and Exponential Models*	F-LE
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Construct and compare linear, ~~quadratic, and exponential~~ models and solve problems

F-LE.1 Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions.*

- Prove that linear functions grow by equal differences over equal intervals, ~~and that exponential functions grow by equal factors over equal intervals.~~
- Recognize situations in which one quantity changes at a constant rate per unit interval relative to another.

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Unit of Study 1.5: Solving Linear Equations and Inequalities (6 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning

A-REI.1 Explain each step in solving a simple equation as following from the equality of numbers asserted at the previous step, starting from the assumption that the original equation has a solution. Construct a viable argument to justify a solution method.

Solve equations and inequalities in one variable

A-REI.3 Solve linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including equations with coefficients represented by letters.

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically

A-REI.10 Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).

A-REI.12 Graph the solutions to a linear inequality in two variables as a half-plane (excluding the boundary in the case of a strict inequality), and graph the solution set to a system of linear inequalities in two variables as the intersection of the corresponding half-planes.

Creating Equations*

A-CED

Create equations that describe numbers or relationships [*Equations using all available types of expressions, including simple root functions*]

A-CED.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. *Include equations arising from linear ~~and quadratic~~ functions, ~~and simple rational and exponential~~ functions.**

A-CED.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.*

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Unit of Study 1.6: Modeling Linear Equations and Inequalities (7 days)

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A-CED

Create equations that describe numbers or relationships [*Equations using all available types of expressions, including simple root functions*]

A-CED.3 Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or non-viable options in a modeling context. *For example, represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods.**

A-CED.4 Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. *For example, rearrange Ohm's law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance R .**

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8 Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through $(1, 2)$ with slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation $(y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3$. Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding $(x - 1)(x + 1)$, $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$, and $(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$ might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.

Quarter 2

Unit of Study 2.1: Line of Best Fit (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data^{*}

S-ID

Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
[Linear focus, discuss general principle]

- S-ID.6 Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.^{*}
- Fit a function to the data; use functions fitted to data to solve problems in the context of the data. *Use given functions or choose a function suggested by the context. Emphasize linear, quadratic, and exponential models.*
 - Informally assess the fit of a function by plotting and analyzing residuals.
 - Fit a linear function for a scatter plot that suggests a linear association.

Interpret linear models

- S-ID.7 Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.^{*}
- S-ID.8 Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.^{*}
- S-ID.9 Distinguish between correlation and causation.^{*}

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Unit of Study 2.2: Solving Systems of Equations (15 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Solve systems of equations [*Linear-linear and linear-quadratic*]

A-REI.6 Solve systems of linear equations exactly and approximately (e.g., with graphs), focusing on pairs of linear equations in two variables.

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically [*Linear and exponential; learn as general principle*]

A-REI.10 Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).

A-REI.11 Explain why the x -coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ intersect are the solutions of the equation $f(x) = g(x)$; find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where $f(x)$ and/or $g(x)$ are linear, polynomial, rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic functions.*

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Unit of Study 2.3: Introducing Quadratics (15 days)

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A-SSE.2 Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. *For example, see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$.*

Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems [~~Quadratic and exponential~~]

A-SSE.3 Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression.*

- Factor a quadratic expression to reveal the zeros of the function it defines.
- Complete the square in a quadratic expression to reveal the maximum or minimum value of the function it defines.

Standards for Mathematical Practice

1 Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

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Quarter 3

Unit of Study 3.1: Continuing Quadratic/Polynomial Real-World Problems (15 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Solve systems of equations [~~Linear-linear and linear-quadratic~~]

A-REI.7 Solve a simple system consisting of a linear equation and a quadratic equation in two variables algebraically and graphically. *For example, find the points of intersection between the line $y = -3x$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 3$.*

Arithmetic with Polynomials and Rational Expressions

A-APR

Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials [~~Linear and quadratic~~]

A-APR.1 Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.

Creating Equations*

A-CED

Create equations that describe numbers or relationships [~~Linear, quadratic, and exponential (integer inputs only); for A.CED.3 linear only~~]

A-CED.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems.

*Include equations arising from ~~linear and quadratic functions, and simple rational and exponential functions.~~**

A-CED.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.*

A-CED.3 Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or non-viable options in a modeling context. *For example, represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods.**

A-CED.4 Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. *For example, rearrange Ohm's law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance R .**

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities**A-REI**

Solve equations and inequalities in one variable [~~Linear inequalities; literal that are linear in the variables being solved for;~~ quadratics with real solutions]

A-REI.4 Solve quadratic equations in one variable.

- Use the method of completing the square to transform any quadratic equation in x into an equation of the form $(x - p)^2 = q$ that has the same solutions. Derive the quadratic formula from this form.
- Solve quadratic equations by inspection (e.g., for $x^2 = 49$), taking square roots, completing the square, the quadratic formula and factoring, as appropriate to the initial form of the equation. Recognize when the quadratic formula gives complex solutions and write them as $a \pm bi$ for real numbers a and b .

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically

A-REI.11 Explain why the x -coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ intersect are the solutions of the equation $f(x) = g(x)$; find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where $f(x)$ and/or $g(x)$ are ~~linear, polynomial, rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic~~ functions.*

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Unit of Study 3.2: Representing Polynomial Functions (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Arithmetic with Polynomials and Rational Expressions

A-APR

Understand the relationship between zeros and factors of polynomials

- A-APR.3 Identify zeros of polynomials when suitable factorizations are available, and use the zeros to construct a rough graph of the function defined by the polynomial.

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically

- A-REI.11 Explain why the x -coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ intersect are the solutions of the equation $f(x) = g(x)$; find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where $f(x)$ and/or $g(x)$ are linear, polynomial, ~~rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic~~ functions.*

Interpreting Functions

F-IF

Understand the concept of a function and use function notation [*Learn as general principle; focus on ~~linear and~~ exponential and on arithmetic and geometric sequences*]

- F-IF.1 Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If f is a function and x is an element of its domain, then $f(x)$ denotes the output of f corresponding to the input x . The graph of f is the graph of the equation $y = f(x)$.
- F-IF.2 Use function notation, evaluate functions for inputs in their domains, and interpret statements that use function notation in terms of a context.

Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context [*Linear, exponential, and quadratic*]

- F-IF.4 For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. *Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity.**
- F-IF.5 Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. *For example, if the function $h(n)$ gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble n engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function.**

Analyze functions using different representations [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, absolute value, step, piecewise-defined*]

- F-IF.7 Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.*
- a. Graph ~~linear~~ and quadratic functions and show intercepts, maxima, and minima.
- F-IF.8 Write a function defined by an expression in different but equivalent forms to reveal and explain different properties of the function.
- a. Use the process of factoring and completing the square in a quadratic function to show zeros, extreme values, and symmetry of the graph, and interpret these in terms of a context.
- F-IF.9 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). *For example, given a graph of one quadratic function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the larger maximum.*

Building Functions	F-BF
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Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities [*For F.BF.1, 2, linear, exponential, and quadratic*]

- F-BF.1 Write a function that describes a relationship between two quantities.*
- a. Determine an explicit expression, a recursive process, or steps for calculation from a context.
- b. Combine standard function types using arithmetic operations. *For example, build a function that models the temperature of a cooling body by adding a constant function to a decaying exponential, and relate these functions to the model.*

Build new functions from existing functions [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, and absolute value; for F.BF.4a, linear only*]

- F-BF.3 Identify the effect on the graph of replacing $f(x)$ by $f(x) + k$, $k f(x)$, $f(kx)$, and $f(x + k)$ for specific values of k (both positive and negative); find the value of k given the graphs. Experiment with cases and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using technology. *Include recognizing even and odd functions from their graphs and algebraic expressions for them.*

Standards for Mathematical Practice

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5 Use appropriate tools strategically.

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

6 Attend to precision.

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Unit of Study 3.3: Characteristics of Exponents (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

The Real Number System

N-RN

Extend the properties of exponents to rational exponents.

- N-RN.1 Explain how the definition of the meaning of rational exponents follows from extending the properties of integer exponents to those values, allowing for a notation for radicals in terms of rational exponents. *For example, we define $5^{1/3}$ to be the cube root of 5 because we want $(5^{1/3})^3 = 5^{(1/3)3}$ to hold, so $(5^{1/3})^3$ must equal 5.*

The Real Number System

N-RN

Extend the properties of exponents to rational exponents.

- N-RN.2 Rewrite expressions involving radicals and rational exponents using the properties of exponents.

Seeing Structure in Expressions

A-SSE

Interpret the structure of expressions [~~Linear~~, exponential, ~~quadratic~~]

- A-SSE.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.*
- Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, and coefficients.
 - Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity. *For example, interpret $P(1+r)^n$ as the product of P and a factor not depending on P .*
- A-SSE.2 Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. *For example, see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$.*

Creating Equations*

A-CED

Create equations that describe numbers or relationships [~~Linear, quadratic, and exponential (integer inputs only)~~]; for A.CED.3 linear only]

- A-CED.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. *Include equations arising from linear ~~and quadratic functions~~, and simple rational ~~and exponential functions~~.**
- A-CED.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.*

A-CED.4 Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. *For example, rearrange Ohm’s law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance R .**

Standards for Mathematical Practice

2 Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to *decontextualize*—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to *contextualize*, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

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Unit of Study 3.4: Modeling Exponential Functions (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically

- A-REI.11 Explain why the x -coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ intersect are the solutions of the equation $f(x) = g(x)$; find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, make tables of values, or find successive approximations. Include cases where $f(x)$ and/or $g(x)$ are ~~linear, polynomial, rational, absolute value, exponential, and logarithmic~~ functions.*

Interpreting Functions

F-IF

Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context [~~Linear, exponential, and quadratic~~]

- F-IF.4 For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. *Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity.**
- F-IF.5 Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. *For example, if the function $h(n)$ gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble n engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function.**
- F-IF.6 Calculate and interpret the average rate of change of a function (presented symbolically or as a table) over a specified interval. Estimate the rate of change from a graph.*

Analyze functions using different representations [~~Linear, exponential, quadratic, absolute value, step, piecewise-defined~~]

- F-IF.9 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). *For example, given a graph of one quadratic function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the larger maximum.*

Building Functions**F-BF**

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Build new functions from existing functions [*Linear, exponential, ~~quadratic~~, and absolute value; for F.BF.4a, linear only*]

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7 Look for and make use of structure.

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Quarter 4

Unit of Study 4.1: Comparing Linear, Quadratic, and Exponential Models (10 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities

A-REI

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically

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Linear, Quadratic, and Exponential Models*

F-LE

Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models and solve problems

F-LE.1 Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions.*

a. Prove that linear functions grow by equal differences over equal intervals, and that exponential functions grow by equal factors over equal intervals.

Interpreting Functions

F-IF

Analyze functions using different representations [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, absolute value, step, piecewise-defined*]

F-IF.7 Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.*

b. Graph square root, cube root, and piecewise-defined functions, including step functions and absolute value functions.

Building Functions**F-BF**

Build new functions from existing functions [*Linear, exponential, quadratic, and absolute value; for F.BF.4a, linear only*]

F-BF.3 Identify the effect on the graph of replacing $f(x)$ by $f(x) + k$, $kf(x)$, $f(kx)$, and $f(x + k)$ for specific values of k (both positive and negative); find the value of k given the graphs. Experiment with cases and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using technology. *Include recognizing even and odd functions from their graphs and algebraic expressions for them.*

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Unit of Study 4.2: Representing Data and Statistics with One Variable (15 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data*	S-ID
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Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable

- S-ID.1 Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).*
- S-ID.2 Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.*
- S-ID.3 Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).*

Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
[Linear focus, discuss general principle]

- S-ID.5 Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data.*

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6 Attend to precision.

Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

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Unit of Study 4.3: Interpreting Linear Models with Data (15 days)

Standards for Mathematical Content

Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data*	S-ID
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Interpret linear models

- S-ID.7 Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.*
- S-ID.8 Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.*
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Standards for Mathematical Practice

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5 Use appropriate tools strategically.

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

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