## Introduction TASK: Shapes, Systems, and Substitution

Directions: Find the value of each shape so that they will add up to give you the specified sums in each row and each column.

Row sum	Question #1
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Row sum	Question #2
Row sum = 38	Question #3

Row sum	Question #4			
= 56				
= 47				
Row sum = 55				
Row sum = 64				
Column sum = 72 Column sum = 79				
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Row sum = 42	Question #5			
Row sum = 18				
Row sum = 27				
Column sum = 50 Column sum = 32 Sum = 35				
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Grade yourself along the following rubric				
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Score yourself on the assigned categories be 1: Rarely 2: Sometimes 3: Often 4:	petween 1-4 I: Always Task:			
Be Engaged Conjecture	One thing I did really well			
Build on Other's Ideas Disagree Res	One thing I could work on for next time			
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# Math Problem Solving Sentence Starters

## Be Engaged

- Let's try this
- What's our strategy
- Let's try a different approach
- Let's keep working
- How should we start

## **Conjecture Boldly**

- I think...
- I wonder...
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- A wrong answer might be...
- A prediction of the answer might be...

## **Build on Others' Ideas**

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- I heard \_\_\_\_\_ idea and I'd add
- I like that idea, and I think...

## **Disagree Respectfully**

- I hear what you're saying, but I think....
- I thought about it differently...
- Something I'm wondering about your idea is....
- I disagree because...

# Confusion is part of understanding

- I understand.... But I don't understand...."
- Can you explain that..."
- Why....?
- Where did \_\_\_\_\_

  come from?

# Helping is not the same as answering

- Tell me what you are thinking...
- Think about this example....
- How are you thinking about this problem?
- Look at it this way...
- What do you know?

## Fishbowl TASK 1:

(AMC 10B #16) Al, Bill, and Cal will each randomly be assigned a whole number from 1 to 10, inclusive, with no two of them getting the same number. What is the probability that Al's number will be a whole number multiple of Bill's and Bill's number will be a whole number multiple of Cal's.

- A) 9/1000
- B) 1/90
- C) 1/80
- D) 1/72
- E) 2/121

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Sentence Starters for Norm to Focus On

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## Fishbowl TASK 2:

(AMC 10B #15) The town of Hamlet has 3 people for each horse, 4 sheep for each cow, and 3 ducks for each person. Which of the following could not possibly be the total number of people, horses, sheep, cows, and ducks in Hamlet?

- A) 41
- B) 47
- C) 59
- D) 61
- E) 66

Scored Discussions Rubric		
Score yourself on the assigned categories between 1-4		
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# **Background Reading**

Resources	Notes
How to Give Effective Feedback to Your Students	
By Susan M. Brookhart	
5 Practices for Orchestrating Productive Mathematics Discussions	
By Margaret Schwan Smith, Mary Kay Stein	
Strength in Numbers: Collaborative Learning in Secondary Mathematics	
by Ilana Horn	
Blogs at teachingmathculture.wordpress.com	
"An Alternative Form of Evaluation that complies with NCTM's Standards,"	
Mathematics Teacher 85, no. 8 (1992)	
Scored Discussions	
Social Education (1992)	
By John Zola	
Powerful Problem Solving	
By Max Ray	

## **TASK Resources**

Resources	Notes
Tasks We've Used for Algebra II at EL Haynes Public Charter School tinyurl.com/ELHA2Tasks	
MARS Tasks map.mathshell.org	
NRich Mathematics nrich.maths.org	
Illustrative Mathematics illustrativemathematics.org	
Engage NY engageny.org	
New Zealand Maths http://nzmaths.co.nz/	