

# Standards for Mathematical Practice and Problem Solving: Time for Change

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# Word Problems - Operations

Grade	Building Expectations
Kindergarten	Adding to, taking from, putting together, taking apart; numbers to 10
Grade 1	Comparing; numbers to 20
Grade 2	One- and two-step; numbers to 100
Grade 3	Equal groups, arrays, and measurement quantities; two-step; numbers to 1,000
Grade 4	Times as many as, interpret remainders; multi-step; multi-digit
Grade 5	extends computations and types of numbers

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# Grouping the SMPs

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Reasoning and explaining

Modeling and using tools

Seeing structure and generalizing

(McCallum, 2011)

# Make Sense, Persevere, and Be Precise

- [..\..\Videos\Chimpanzee Problem Solving.mp4](#)

# What To Do

- Offer interesting problems in which significant mathematical ideas are embedded
- Put our pencils away
- Provide differentiated tasks and strategies that provide just the right balance of challenge and support
- Tap students' interest

# What Not to Do

- Teach strategies in isolation
- Devote time to problems that are not mathematically relevant
- Limit problem solving to Fridays
- Use as enrichment for the few
- Just focus on answers to problems
- Limit problem solving to developing conceptual understanding of operations



# Add Wonder

- How many pies can we make from this year's biggest pumpkin?
- How many candles do you need for your family's birthdays next year?
- What problems can you pose about this setting?

# Goldilocks Problems

Just the right level of challenge:

- Increase success for a range of learners
- Develop readiness
- Support classroom community

# Level the Tasks by Adjusting the:

- Complexity of the language
- Amount of scaffolding
- Presentation of data
- Setting
- Number of solutions to be found
- Number of conditions to be met
- Size or types of numbers

# Start in the Middle

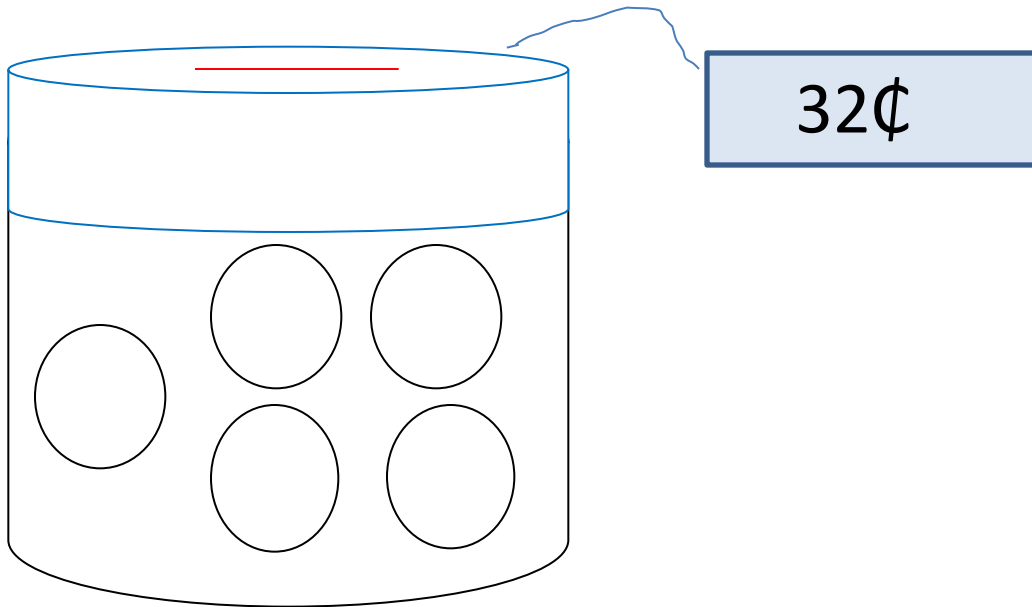
Manny has 7 coins.

He has 40¢.

He has no nickels.

What coins does Manny have?

# Simplify



# Make More Complex

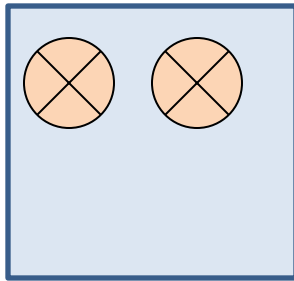
Janelle has 30¢.

She has at least 1 penny, 1 nickel, and 1 dime.

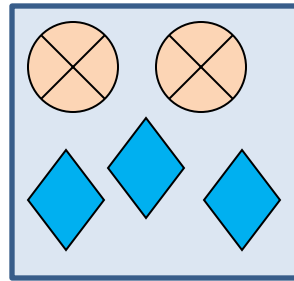
What coins could she have?

Find three possible answers.

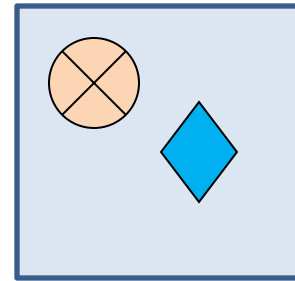
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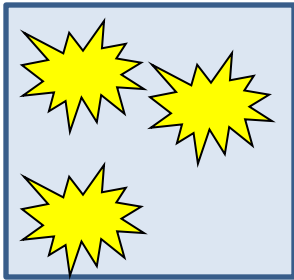


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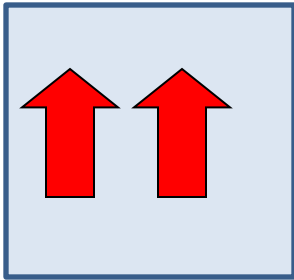


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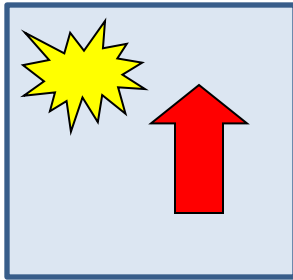
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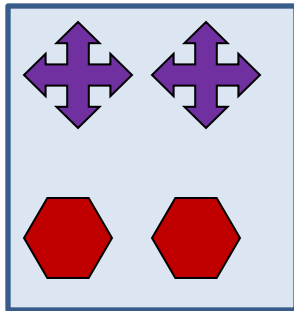
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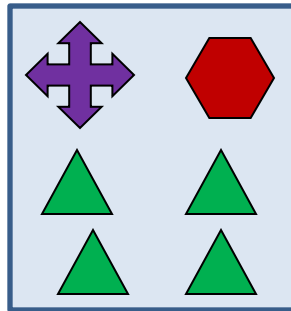
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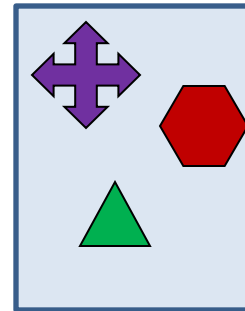
# Make More Complex



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# Reasoning and Explaining (2 & 3)

- Make sense of quantities and relationships
- Decontextualize and contextualize
- Make conjectures
- Consider cases and counter examples
- Use logical reasoning to justify and evaluate conclusions

# Citizens Bank Park

\_\_\_\_\_ tons of soil were excavated so that the field could be \_\_\_\_\_ feet below street level. The roof is \_\_\_\_\_ feet above street level. There are \_\_\_\_\_ sapphire blue seats in the stadium. \_\_\_\_\_ of these seats are in the Hall of Fame Club. The Park opened on April \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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# A Format that Builds Confidence

*All about Jed*

6 2 8 3

Jed has \_\_\_\_\_ brothers.

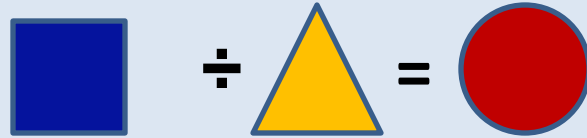
Jed has \_\_\_\_\_ sisters.

Jed has more brothers than sisters.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ children in Jed's family.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ people in Jed's family.

# Analysis of Abstract Representations



$$A \div B = C$$

Write as much as you know  
about A, B, and C.

- A has to be bigger than B
- B has to be smaller than A
- c could be bigger or smaller than B
- c is smaller than A (sometimes true)
- $A = B \times C$

$$56 \div 8 = 7 \text{ or } 56 \div 7 = 8$$

$$72 \div 12 = 6 \text{ or } 72 \div 6 = 12$$

$$108 \div 12 = 9 \text{ or } 108 \div 9 = 12$$

$$21 \div 7 = 3 \quad 21 \div 3 = 7$$

- A or B cannot be zero
- A could be zero

# Connect to a Context

Solve  $453 \div 21$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \times 21 = 420 \\ 1 \times 21 = \quad 21 \\ \hline 441 \\ + 12 \\ \hline 453 \end{array}$$

$$21 \overline{) 453}$$

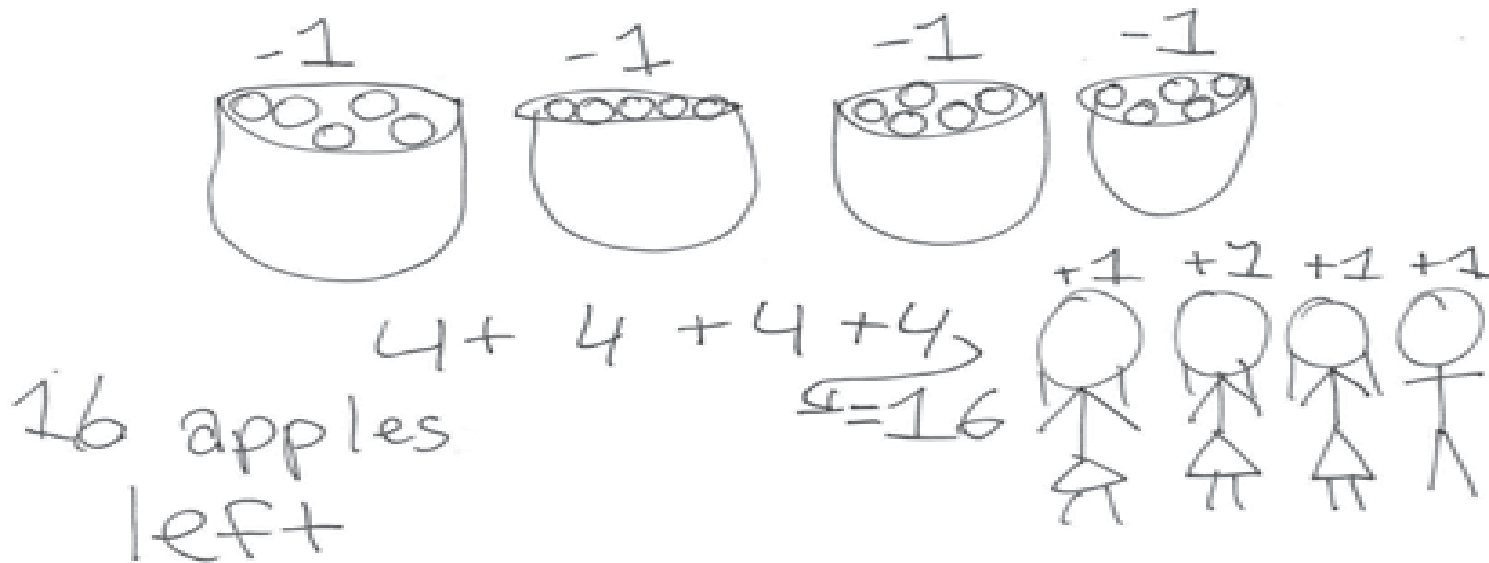
Write a word problem for  $453 \div 21$ .

There are 453 clams in a pail. If I put them evenly in 21 boxes, how many clams go in each box?  $21 \overline{) 453}$



# Have Students Record Thinking

There are 4 baskets. There are 5 apples in each basket. Jamie takes an apple from each basket to give to her friends. In all, how many apples are left?





December  
January

March

June

July

August

September

October

November

Kind Words  
with others

Work and Play Safely

rules?

Conventions

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& SPORTS M  
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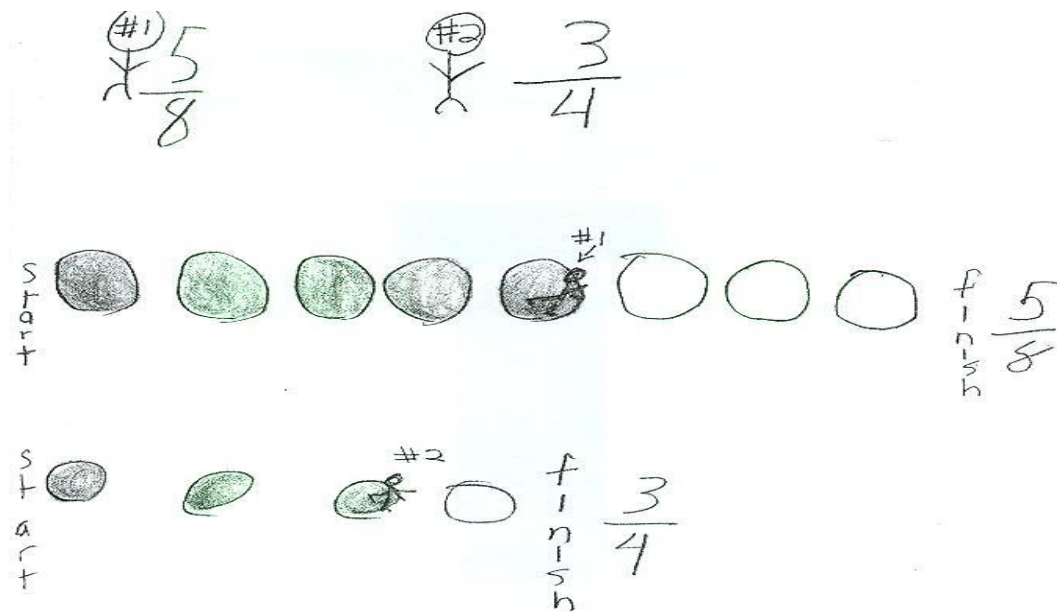
## We Need to:

- Expect students to share their thinking
- Ask questions to clarify student thinking
- Teach students the **social** skills needed to listen with respect, build on the ideas of others, and be open to critique

# Modeling and Using Tools (4 & 5)

- Apply math to everyday life
- Detect errors
- Use diagrams, tables, charts, and formulas
- Use technology to deepen their understanding of concepts

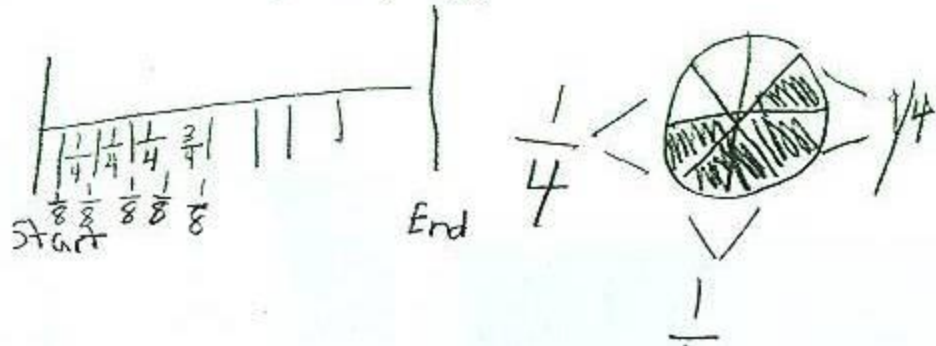
At Olympics Day, two friends are running in a race. One friend is  $\frac{5}{8}$  of the way to the finish line and the other friend is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way. Who is winning?



I think the  $\frac{5}{8}$  is going to win because  $\frac{5}{8}$  is smaller than  $\frac{3}{4}$ . So I think #1 is winning.



$\frac{2}{4}$  is bigger because  $\frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$  and there are 5  $\frac{1}{8}$  and if  $\frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{5}{8}$  would only =  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{8}$  but we need  $\frac{3}{4}$  so one of the friends is loosing by  $\frac{1}{8}$ .



Answer  $\frac{3}{4}$

*What's the Number?*

Shane added the number to 65.

Chris subtracted it from 214.

They got the same answer.

What was the number they used?



$\frac{10}{17} \cdot \frac{5}{3} = \frac{50}{51}$   
 $\frac{50}{51} \cdot \frac{10}{17} = \frac{500}{867}$   
 $\frac{500}{867} \cdot \frac{10}{17} = \frac{5000}{14739}$

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 - 134 \\
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 21 \\
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$$\begin{array}{r}
 142 \\
 - 134 \\
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 8 \\
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 145 \\
 - 134 \\
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 11 \\
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10 \\
 + 65 \\
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 75 \\
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
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 - 71 \\
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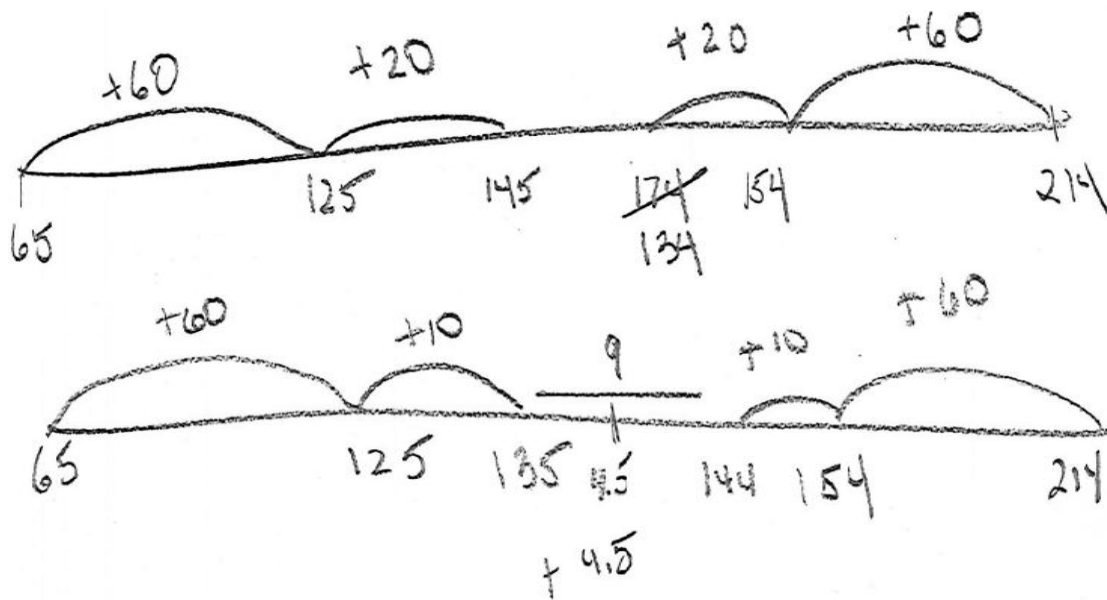


$$\boxed{74.5} + 65 = \frac{139.5}{139.5} \checkmark$$

$$214 - \boxed{74.5} = \frac{139.5}{139.5} \checkmark$$

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# Number line model



$$60 + 10 + 4.5 = 79.5$$

# Ask about Relationships in Models



Solange has 623 ones. Jed has 62 tens and 4 ones. Who has more?

## We Need to:

- Have students draw their own models
- Expect students to provide a variety of representations
- Provide problems/tasks that tap misconceptions

# Structure and Generalizations (7 & 8)

- Discern patterns and structures
- Note repeated calculations
- Maintain oversight of process while attending to details

Jillian buys 13 candles.  
Some of the candles  
are red. The other  
6 candles are blue.  
How many candles are  
red?



$$13 - 6 = 7 \text{ candles}$$

I drove 13 candles  
I wrote a b on 6 of  
them and 7 were left.

I put 6 in My hed and caunted  
with My fingrs

$$6 + 7 = 13$$

# Penny Problem

I have between 30 and 50 pennies. When I put them in piles of five, I have 1 penny left over. When I put them in groups of four, I have 1 penny left over. How many pennies do I have?



	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49
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1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2,  
 3, 0, 1, 2, 3, 9, 1, 2, 3, 10, 1, 2, 3, 1, 1, 2, 3,

I made a list and wrote  
30-50 and divided all of  
them by 5. Then, I made another  
list of all the #s and divided  
them by 4 and got 41.

$$31 \div X = 7R3$$

$$36 \div X = 9$$

$$\textcircled{41 \div 4 = 10R1}$$

$$46 \div X = 11R2$$

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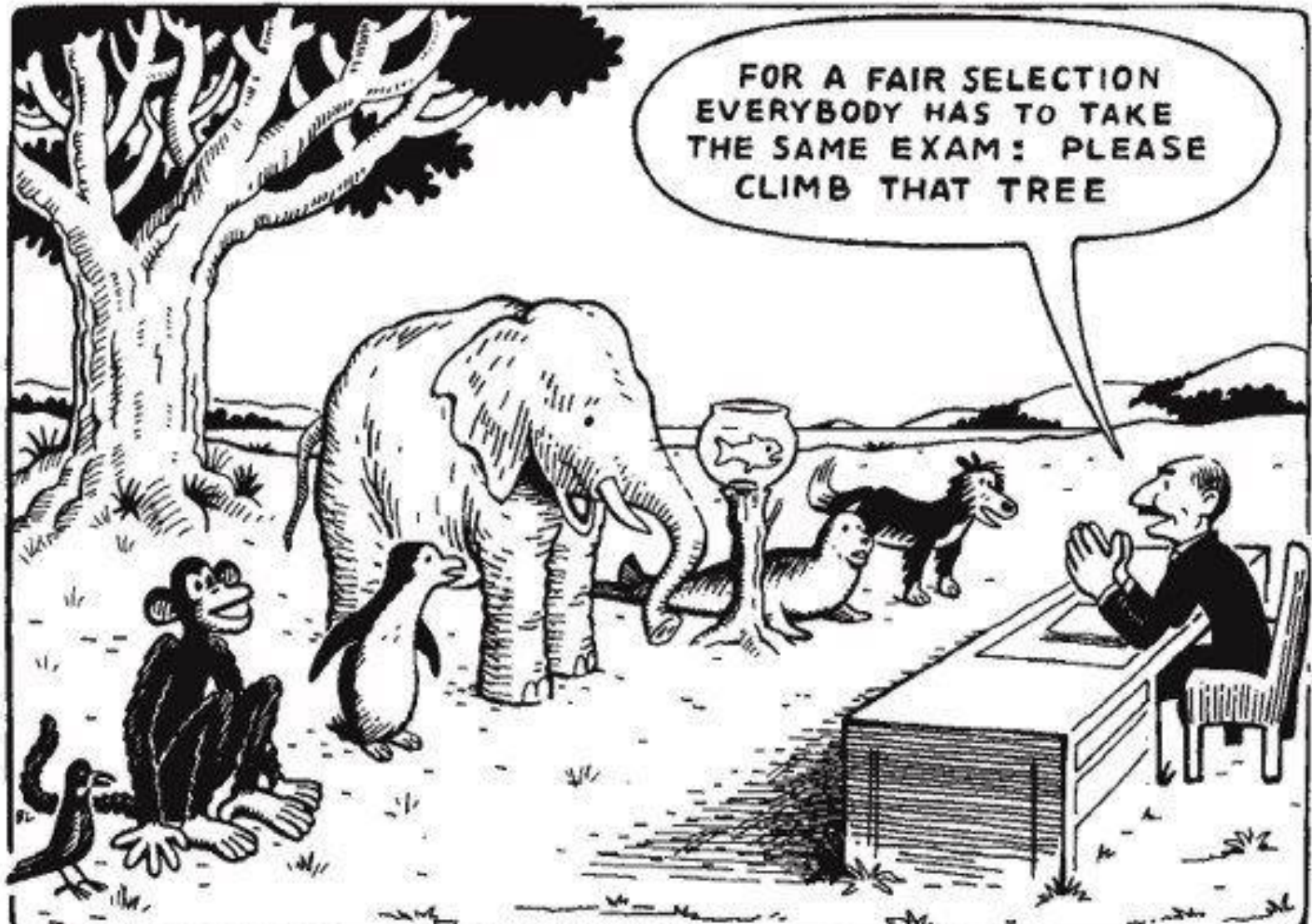
31 36  
33 37

4
same

46  
45

## We Need to:

- Give problems that highlight structures and regularity
- Ask questions to refocus students' attention to the regularity within their work
- Prompt students to note commonalities among different solutions



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