## NCTM Annual Meeting, 2016


"As teachers, we want to minimize the
'wait-to-fail' approach and instead improve math learning through high-quality instruction and interventions."

Gresham \& Little

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## Effective Tier 2 Intervention for

 Multi-Digit Multiplication \&
## Division

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## Agenda

- IES Recommendations for Intervention
- Thinking about Multi-Digit Multiplication
- Identifying \& Addressing the Hot Spots
- Multiplying to Divide
- The Array/Area Model for Division
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## IES Recommendations

Assisting Studentis Struggling with Mathematics: Response to Intervention (Rit) for Elementary and Middle Schools


IES (Institute of
Education Sciences)
Published, 2009
8 recommendations backed by research-based evidence
http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wWc/ pdf/practice_guides/rti_math_ pg_042109.pdf

## Recommendation \#1

Screen all students to identify those at risk for potential difficulties. Provide interventions to students identified as at risk.


## Recommendation \#2

## Focus on in-depth treatment of whole numbers in $\mathrm{K}-5$ and on rational numbers in grades 4-8.



## Recommendation \#3

## Provide instruction that is explicit and systematic:

$\checkmark$ Models of proficient problem solving
$\checkmark$ Verbalization of thought processes
$\checkmark$ Guided practice
$\checkmark$ Corrective feedback
$\checkmark$ Cumulative review


## Recommendation \#4

## Include instruction on solving story problems that is based on common underlying structures.

Dustin and Tomas are playing a video game. After a few minutes, Dustin had 20 points, and Tomas had 4 times as many points as that. How many points did Tomas have?


## Recommendation \#5

## Include opportunities for students to work with visual representations of mathematical ideas.



## Recommendation \#6

## Devote about 10 minutes per intervention session to building fluent retrieval of basic arithmetic facts.



## Recommendation \#7

## Monitor the progress of

 students receiving supplemental instruction and other students who are at risk.

## Recommendation \#8

## Use motivational strategies.



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## A Tale of Two Problems

## Take a moment to solve these two

 multiplication problems in whatever way you like.11
$\times 22 \times 83$
$\checkmark$ How are they alike, how are they different?
$\checkmark$ Which problem would be more challenging for your students? Why?

What specific aspects would be most challenging?

## A Tale of Two Problems, cont.

$\checkmark$ How would your struggling students approach the problems?
$\checkmark$ What kinds of strategies might they use?
$\checkmark$ What kinds of errors would you see?
$\checkmark$ What patterns, if any, do you notice in the errors they make?

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\begin{array}{r}
1136 \\
\times 22 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

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## Hot Spots = Common Errors \& Challenges

## Here's our list. How does it compare with yours?

$\checkmark$ Lack of basic computation skills: addition with regrouping and multiplication facts
$\checkmark$ Inability to accurately multiply with multiples of 10
$\checkmark$ Losing track of partial products when working with numbers that are not multiples of 10
$\checkmark$ Inability to determine whether results are reasonable

## Hot Spot \#1: (Lack of) Basic Computation Skills

1 Use the standard multiplication algorithm to find $36 \times 83$. Show all your work.



## $6 \times 40=360$

$40 \times 9=360$

Fill in all of the blanks and boxe products, and the standard mult non't foroet to label each region i

## Hot Spot \#1: Possible Solutions

$\checkmark$ Delay multi-digit multiplication work until students have gained proficiency with basic multiplication facts
$\checkmark$ Scaffold: Provide multiplication tables \& encourage students to use them
$\checkmark$ Choose your digits carefully (see handout)
$\checkmark$ Front Load (see handout)

## Hot Spot \#2: Difficulty Multiplying Multiples of 10

3 Fill in all of the blanks and boxes to solve $25 \times 56$ with the area model, four partial products, and the standard multiplication algorithm.
Don't forget to label each region in the area model sketch with its correct area.


## Hot Spot \#2: Possible Solutions

$\checkmark$ Connect Multiplication with Multiples of Ten to Basic Facts \& Powers of Ten
$\checkmark$ Use Visual Models


## Hot Spot \#2: Possible Solutions, cont.

$\checkmark$ Connect Multiplication with Multiples of Ten to Basic Facts \& Powers of Ten
$\checkmark$ Use Visual Models


## Hot Spot \#2: Possible Solutions, cont.

$\checkmark$ Employ the Associative Property
$2 \times 3=6$
$2 \times 30=2 \times(3 \times 10)=(2 \times 3) \times 10=6 \times 10=60$
$2 \times 300=2 \times(3 \times 100)=(2 \times 3) \times 100=6 \times 100=600$
$\checkmark$ Extend the Patterns
$20 \times 30=(2 \times 10) \times(3 \times 10)=(2 \times 3) \times 10 \times 10=$ ?
$20 \times 300=(2 \times 10) \times(3 \times 100)=$ ?
$200 \times 30=(2 \times 100) \times(3 \times 10)=?$

Hot Spot \#3: Losing Track of Partial Products
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## Hot Spot \#3: Losing Track of Partial Products

Fill in all of the blanks and boxes to solve $25 \times 56$ with the area model, four partial products, and the standard multiplication algorithm.
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## Hot Spot \#3: Possible Solutions

## Build it with base 10 pieces.



## Hot Spot \#3: Possible Solutions, cont.

## Reality bites...

13

12


# Hot Spot \#3: Possible Solutions, cont. 

## Context helps



Maggie's Chickens

|  | Problem |
| :--- | :--- |
|  |  |

## Hot Spot \#4: Not Recognizing the Unreasonable

3 Fill in all of the blanks and boxes to solve $25 \times 56$ with the area model, four partial products, and the standard multiplication algorithm.
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## Hot Spot \#4: Not Recognizing the Unreasonable

Anticipate errors and use estimation to head them off.

Estimate the results of this multiplication combination. Explain your estimate.

## $56 \times 25$

## Hot Spot \#4: Not Recognizing the Unreasonable

Use ratio tables to keep students rooted in what they know.
$56 \times 25$

| 1 | 25 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 10 | 250 |
| 20 | 500 |
| 40 | 1,000 |
| 50 | 1,250 |
| 5 | 125 |
| 55 | 1,375 |
| 56 | 1,400 |

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## Division is the Inverse of Multiplication

Consistent use of the word groups helps students make the connection.
$6 \times 7=42 \quad$ " 6 groups of 7 is 42"
$42 \div 7=? \quad$ ? F ? many groups of 7 are there in 42?"
$42 \div 7=6 \quad$ "There are 6 groups of 7 in 42"

## Use Contexts First, Not Last

Mr. G. went to the office supply store to buy markers for his $5^{\text {th }}$ graders. There are 15 markers in a pack. He got 390 markers. How many packs did he buy?

| packs | 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 | 25 | 26 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| markers | 15 | 150 | 300 | 75 | 375 | 390 |

We can use a ratio table to build up to the dividend.

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## Arrays Also Work for Division

$12 \div 3$


## There are 4 groups of 3 in 12.

## Arrays Go Large!

## $1 5 \longdiv { 3 9 0 }$

15


## $390 \div 15$, cont.



## $390 \div 15$, cont.

10



## $390 \div 15$, solved



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\left.\begin{array}{r}
6 \\
10 \\
10
\end{array}\right]^{66} \begin{array}{r}
390 \\
-150 \\
\hline 240 \\
-150 \\
\hline 90 \\
-90 \\
\hline 0
\end{array}
$$

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## Putting it All Together

## $1 4 \longdiv { 3 7 8 }$

Hmmm...okay, what do I know about 14 that might help?

| 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14 | 140 | 280 | 70 |  |  |

## Putting it All Together

| 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 14 | 140 | 280 | 70 |  |  |

I'm going to start with $\mathbf{2 0}$ groups of 14 . That's 280.


## Putting it All Together

| 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 | 2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 14 | 140 | 280 | 70 | 28 |  |

I have 98 left to go, so I can take another 5 groups of 14.



Now what? Oh, wait! I see!

## Putting it All Together

| 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 | 2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 14 | 140 | 280 | 70 | 28 |  |

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\left.\begin{array}{r}
2 \\
5 \\
20
\end{array}\right] 27
$$



## Ratio Table + Scaffold Algorithm = Success!

1) Construct a ratio table for the divisor.

| 1 | 10 | 20 | 5 | 2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 14 | 140 | 280 | 70 | 28 |  |

2) Use the table to identify reasonable groups to subtract from the dividend.
3) Continue to subtract groups until no longer possible.

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2 \\
5 \\
20
\end{array}\right] 27
$$

## Questions \& Comments



