Fostering Success in Mathematics

Family involvement is an essential element for a student's success in mathematics. You are one of you child's most valuable resources. Learning about ways to support your child's mathematical development

| Questions to Support a Child's Math Homework | | | |
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| Practice is an essential part of a student's mathematical understanding. Homework can sometimes be a struggle for | | | |
| students. The questions below can guide parents as they support their children through this challenge. | | | |
| What is the problem you're working on? | | Can you draw a picture or diagram that would | |
| What do the directions say? | | help? | |
| What words do you not understand? | | Can you explain what you did in class today that | |
| Where should you begin? | | might help? | |
| What do you already know that can help you | | Did your teacher work examples today? | |
| solve the problem? | | Who can you call to get help? | |
| What have you done so far? | | Can you go onto another problem & come back to | |
| Where can we find help in your notes, textbook, | | this one later? | |
| online? | | Can you mark this problem so you can ask the | |
| Do you have similar problems to look at? | | teacher for an explanation tomorrow? | |
| Are there manipulatives that would help? | | Can you tell me where you are stuck? | |
| A Small Sample of Jobs that Require Math Skills | | | |
| Car Stereo Installer | Clerk or Cashier | Engineer | Astronaut |
| Radio DJ | Jet Fighter or Pilot | Sports Announcer | Mechanic |
| Athletes | Cameraman | Air traffic | Race car driver |
| Teacher | Accountant | controller | Physician |
| Nurse | Secretary | Attorney | Meteorologist |
| Fashion Designer | Construction | Scientist | Plumber |
| Electrician | worker | Landscaper | Military Personnel |
| Carpenters | Technicians | Managers | Payroll |
| Computer Programmers | Politicians | Salesmen | Maintenance |
| Painter | Farmers | Researchers | • Firemen |
| Event Planner | Business owner | Animator | Taxi Driver |
| | Travel Agent | Customer Service | Bank Teller |

is the first step. This handout will provide an overview of ways to foster your child's success.

Helpful Websites

There are countless websites that can provide assistance to both students and their parents. The list below is just a starting point of exploration. Some of the sites listed below will provide additional practice of identified skills through the completion of problems. Others will reinforce skills through the use of games.

https://wcpssccmsmath.pbworks.com/w/page/66952749/Math%20Teaching%20Videos WCPSS videos by grade level

https://wcpssmath.pbworks.com/w/page/85369585/High%20School%20Math%20Resources%20for%20 Students%20and%20Parents High School Math Resources for Students and Parents

http://wake-ms-math.weebly.com/ Middle School Math Resource Website

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<u>http://www.math.com/</u> - Glossary, calculators, formulas and tables, homework help, practice and games.

http://www.mathsisfun.com/definitions/ - Illustrated math dictionary

http://www.kutasoftware.com/ - Practice worksheets

<u>http://www.ixl.com/standards/common-core/math</u> - practice problems- there are a limited number you can do without needing to pay for a subscription.

http://thinkingblocks.com/ - Practice problems for addition, multiplication, fractions and ratios.

http://www.figurethis.org/index.html - Challenge problems

http://illuminations.nctm.org/ - Activities

http://www.learningplanet.com/index.asp - Games and homework help

http://mathforum.org/dr.math/ - Ask Dr. Math - homework help and formulas

http://www.coolmath-games.com/ - Math games

http://www.aaamath.com/ - Interactive math lessons

<u>http://nlvm.usu.edu/en/nav/vlibrary.html</u> - National Library of Virtual Manipulatives – interactive activities and manipulatives for math topics

http://www.khanacademy.org/ - Videos on many math topics created by teachers

<u>http://education.ti.com/en/us/home</u> Texas Instruments website that has activities and download applications for TI calculators

<u>http://www.sascurriculumpathways.com/portal/</u> - Interactive lessons for students. You will need an account but your school should already have one you can link to.

http://www.phschool.com/atschool/cmp2/active_math/index.html This website has interactive activities. It is from the makers of CMP2 but is free to anyone to use.

http://www.webmath.com/ Resources to look through organized by topic.

<u>http://www.algebralab.org/practice/practice.aspx</u> Great set of review questions that students can choose based on topic

http://www.math-play.com/ Free online math games

<u>http://www.geogebratube.org/</u> A resource where students can create their own drawings like geometer sketchpad but there are also archived pages where other teachers have made their own drawings. For example you can find a drawing proof for the Exterior Angle Theorem.

Glossary Links

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http://corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI_Math%20Standards.pdf Common Core State Standards for Mathematics (glossary page 85)

http://mathlearnnc.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_4507209/File/Instructional%20Resource s/GlossarySP.pdf North Carolina DPI Glossary of Mathematical Terms for Parents and Teachers