

BUILDING THINKING CLASSROOMS

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Have you ever thought?

"What did my child learn at school today?"

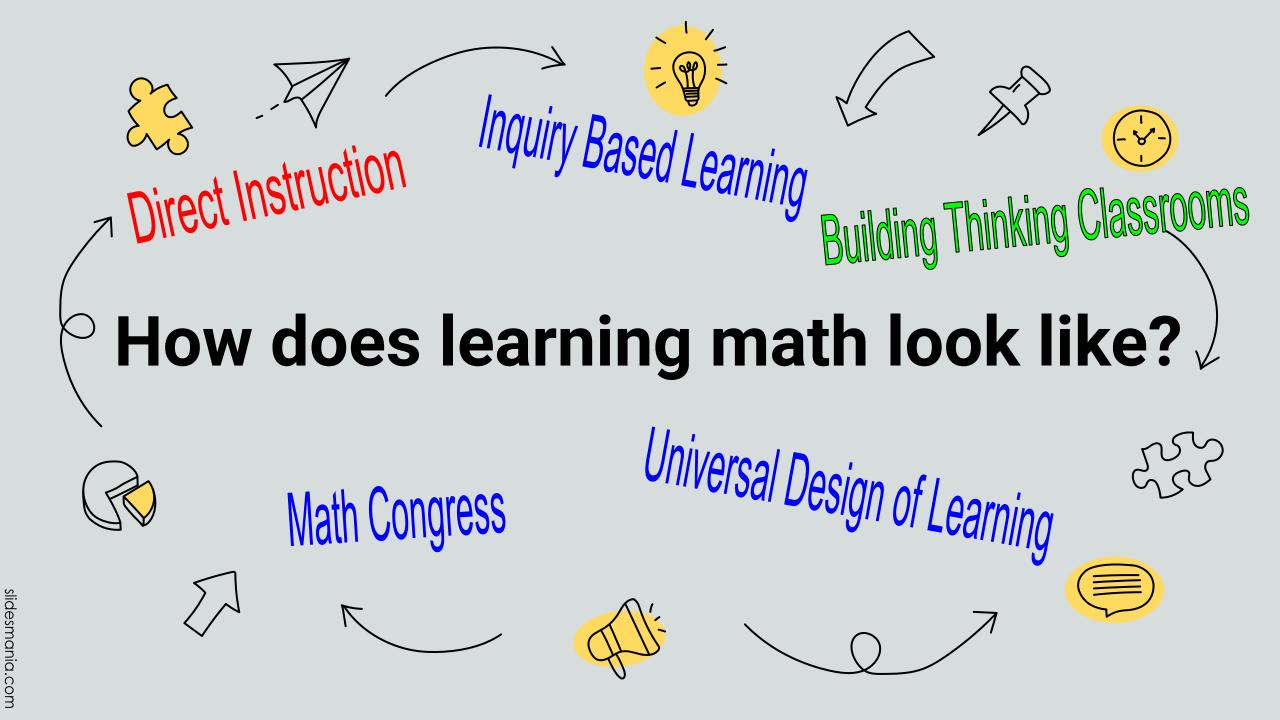
"Don't they teach the times table anymore?"



"I don't understand this new math my child is learning at school."











KEY MESSAGE

We will focus on how to foster a classroom community that promotes *THINKING* through Building Thinking Classrooms.









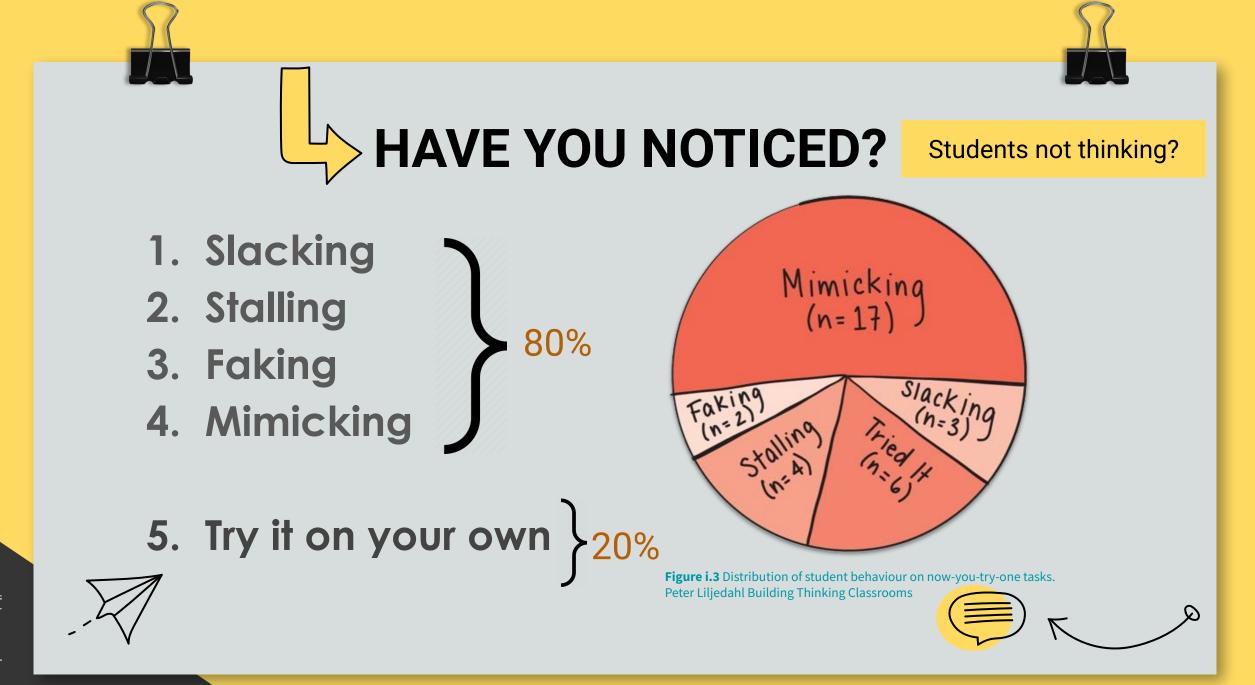
AGENDA

1. The WHY? Understanding Dr. Peter Liljedahl's Research

2. Four Practices for Building Thinking Classrooms







Credit: Diana Hong (TDSB Hybrid Math Learning Partner)





WHY?

WHY THINKING CLASSROOMS?

"Thinking is a necessary precursor to learning, and if students are not thinking, they are not learning." (Liljedahl, 9)





1. PRESENT INSTRUCTIONS VERBALLY & STANDING

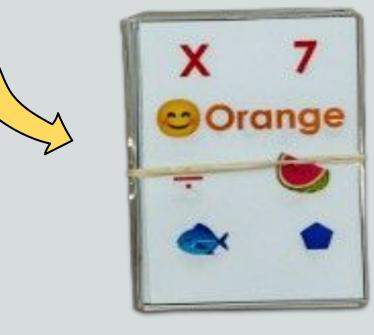








2. VISIBLY RANDOM GROUPS OF 3

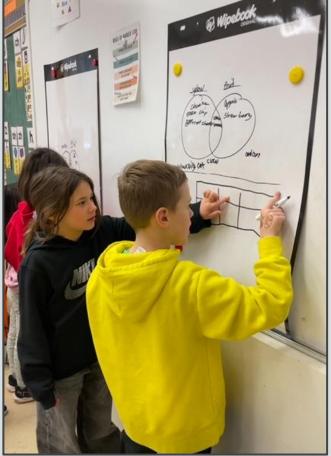


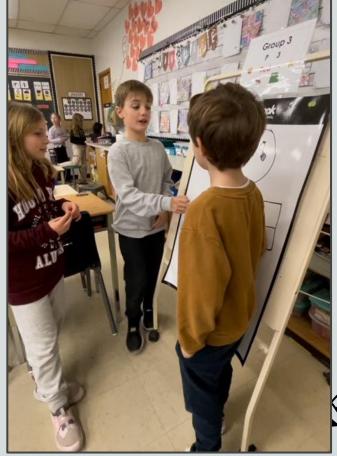










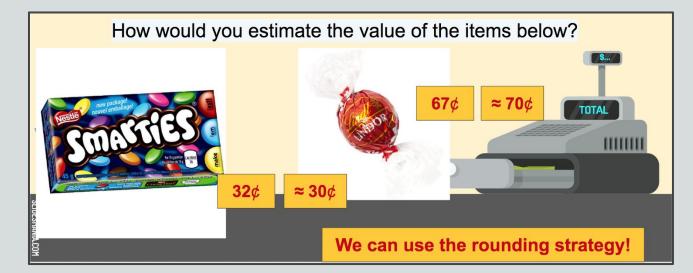


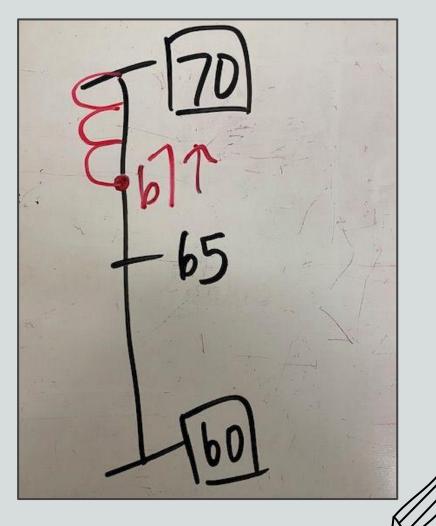


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Begin by asking a question about prior knowledge





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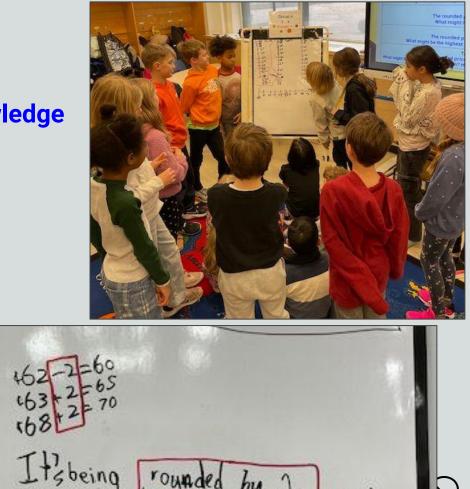
Then ask a question that is an extension of that prior knowledge

TASK #1

When rounding in cents, we do not round to the nearest 10ϕ . For example:

- Cost is $62\phi \rightarrow payment$ is 60ϕ
- Cost is $63\phi \rightarrow \text{payment}$ is 65ϕ
- Cost is $68\phi \rightarrow \text{payment}$ is 70ϕ

What is the rounding rule for cents?



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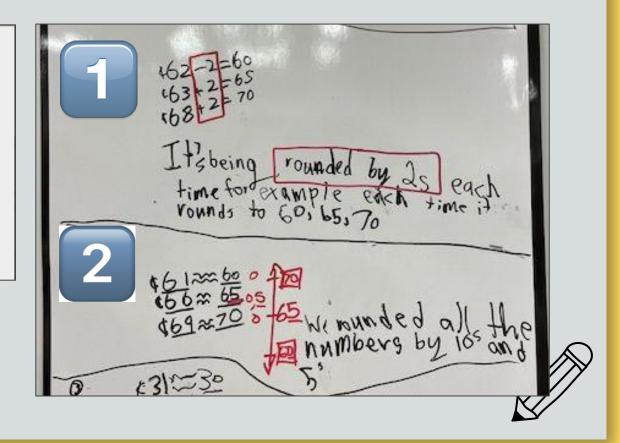
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TASK #2

When rounding in cents, we do not round to the nearest 10ϕ . For example:

- Cost is $61\phi \rightarrow payment$ is 60ϕ
- Cost is $66\phi \rightarrow \text{payment}$ is 65ϕ
- Cost is $69\phi \rightarrow \text{payment}$ is 70ϕ

What is the rounding rule for cents?





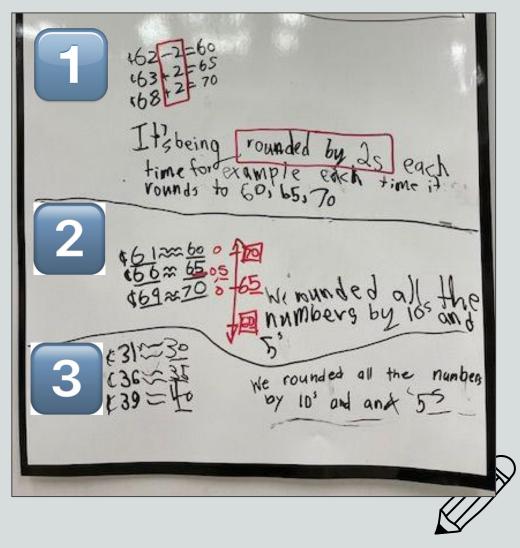
Finally, ask students to do something without telling them how.

TASK #3 When rounding in cents, we do not round to the nearest 10¢. For example:

- Cost is $31\phi \rightarrow payment$ is $__\phi$
- Cost is $36\phi \rightarrow \text{payment is } \phi$
- Cost is $39\phi \rightarrow \text{payment is } \phi$

What is the rounding rule for cents?

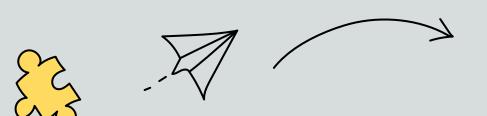




OPEN QUESTIONS ("The Fun Stuff")

Traditional Problem (less thinking)	Open Problem (more thinking!)	70 pher Gl. 62, 58,5	Total Unice States
Round 58¢	The rounded cost of an item is 60¢.		Est Ist 2 possible
	What might be the exact price?		Postore Est 50





Student Learning GOALS.















Build strong conceptual understanding of key concepts

Use and develop the seven mathematical processes (PS, R&P, Ref, Con, Com, Rep, ST&S)

Experience the joy & wonder of math in a risk-free environment

Build, repair, or strengthen student identities as math learners





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