UNIT OF STUDY

Title: Getting Ready for Algebra Subject/Course: 9th Res. Math Length: 2 weeks

Using the Language of Algebra

Topic: simplify expressions and applying the order of operations **Grade**: 9th

writing and simplifying algebraic expressions

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UNIT GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS

IMPORTANT CONCEPTS/UNDERSTANDINGS:

simplify expressions

- with integers (add, subtract, multiply, or divide)
- with rational numbers (fractions and decimals)
- square roots and cube roots

Apply the order of operations to evaluate expressions.

writing & simplifying algebraic expressions

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

- What is an integer?
- What is an exponent?
- What is the base?
- What is a square root?
- What is a variable, algebraic expression, term, and coefficient?
- How do you classify a polynomial?
- How do you determine the degree of a polynomial?

STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

- LA.1.AI.1 Evaluate algebraic expression, including radicals, by applying the order of operations.
- LA.1.AI.2 translate word phrases and sentences into expressions, equations, and inequalities, and vice versa.

Vocabulary words – integer, exponent, base, square root,

order of operations, variable, algebraic expression, term,

constant, radical sign, coefficient, monomial, binomial,

SPECIFIC DECLARATIVE KNOWLEDGE - What I know | SPECIFIC PROCEDURAL KNOWLEDGE - What I need to do

- add, subtract, multiply and divide two or more integers.
- simplify expression involving fractions and decimals
- simplify square roots and cube roots.
- apply the order of operations to evaluate mathematical expressions.
- define algebraic vocabulary.
- identify the coefficient of a term.
- classify polynomials by the number of terms
- find the degree of a monomial
- find the degree of a polynomial

UNIT ASSESSMENTS

(Include tasks related to Dimensions 3 and 4 and Bloom's Taxonomy)

open response question

trinomial, polynomial, degree.

- requiring the student to use the order of operations (application)
- writing/ simplifying expression (application)

Traditional Assessments:	Other Evidence of Learning:	
independent practice worksheets	notes	
Test	guided practice	
	observation	
	marker board review	

ACTIVITIES AND LEARNING EXPERIENCES	Resources
1. 4 step vocabulary to introduce key words from the unit.	4 step worksheet
2. Lessons 1.2 – 1.5 simplifying expressions and using the order of operations. *demonstrate how to find answer for numbers with exponents using the expanded form. *explain steps involved when baking a cake – do the directions make any difference on the outcome.	Algebra's Cool DVD program Unit A
3. Lesson 2.1 – writing and simplifying algebraic expressions *Speaking a foreign language such as Spanish or French – if you don't know the language, you don't know what to do. The same applies with math.	Algebra's Cool DVD program Unit A
4. marker board review – group review	marker board & eraser

Career Connections		
construction, business industry, banking/accounting, cook / chef		
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