

# Module 2: Explicit Attention to Concepts

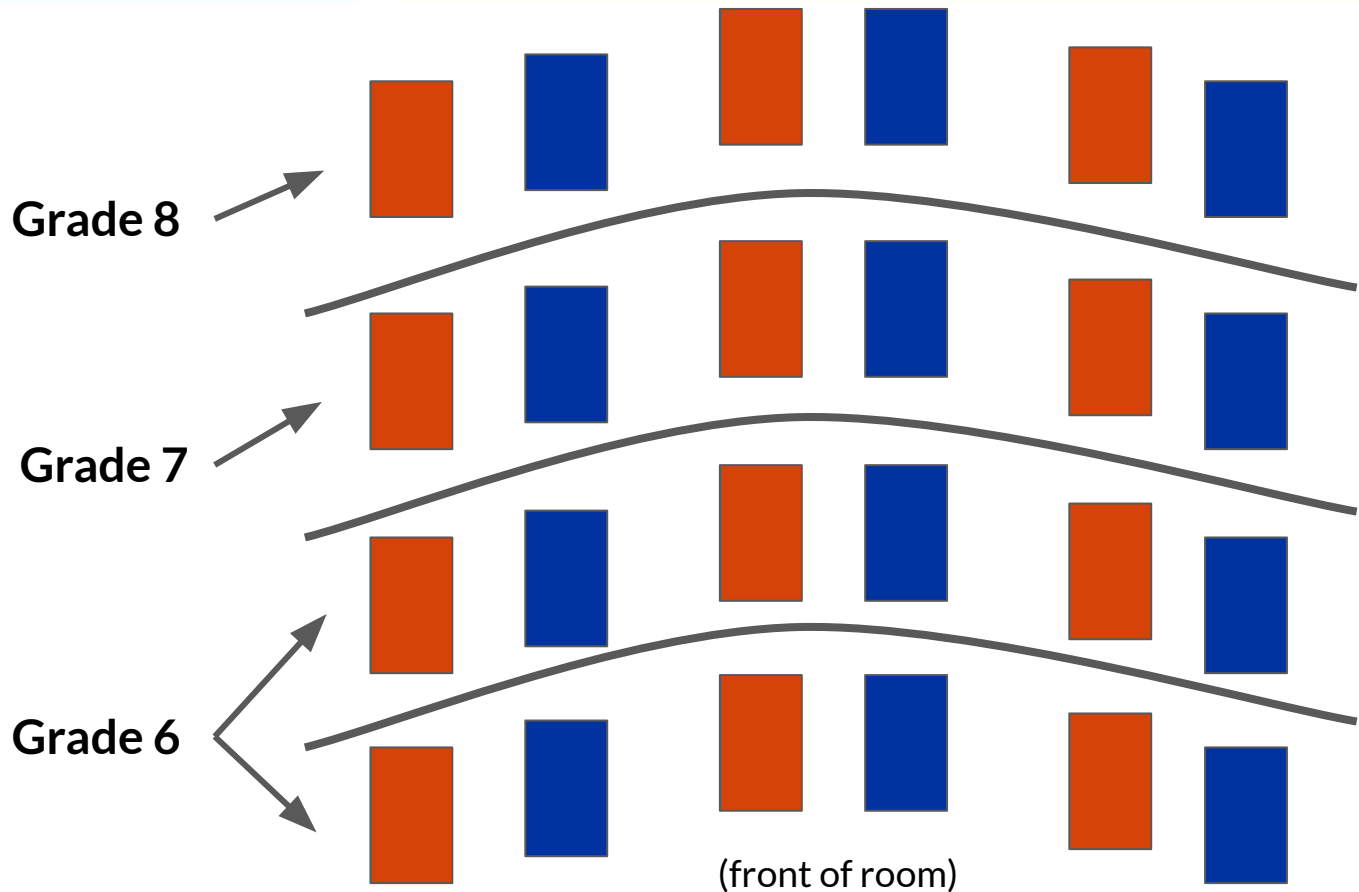
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Please sit  
with a Grade  
Level today.



# Goals for Today

1. **Community** - keep building our teacher-researcher alliance
2. **Math** - have fun doing a problem solving activity
3. **Research** - continue unpacking EAC, rehearse 4 of the 8 routines
4. **Teaching** - plan to try EAC routines in our classrooms

*main goal: build a shared sense of how to try “Explicit Attention to Concepts” strategies*





Who's the Dwight at YOUR table?

# 2019-20 Participation for ROOT Teachers

*See handout “Checklist for ROOT Payments, 2019-20”*

- ✓ Application & Selection
  - ▣ Paperwork (e.g., W9, Confirmation)
  - ▣ Baseline Data Collection \$450 stipend
    - Teaching Context Survey
    - Video / Lesson Submissions
  - ▣ Spring Modules \$300 stipend
    - ✓ Module #1 : Introduction to ROOT (Feb 1)
    - ✓ Module #2 : EAC in Focus (Feb 22)
      - Module #3 : SOS in Focus (Mar 14)
  - ▣ Summer Institute (June 22-25) \$750 stipend

# Baseline Data

- ▣ Teaching Context Survey (distributed via email)
  - School/Course Structure
  - External Instructional Influences
  - Self-Efficacy to Teach Problem Solving and Modeling
  - EAC & SOS Priorities
  - Demographics
- ▣ Classroom Video (swivl video + [google form](#))
  - [3 Lesson Submissions](#)
  - Parent/Guardian Permission Forms
- Spring 2019 and 2020 ISAT scores for your students
  - NOT teacher's responsibility (stipends provided to schools/district administrators)

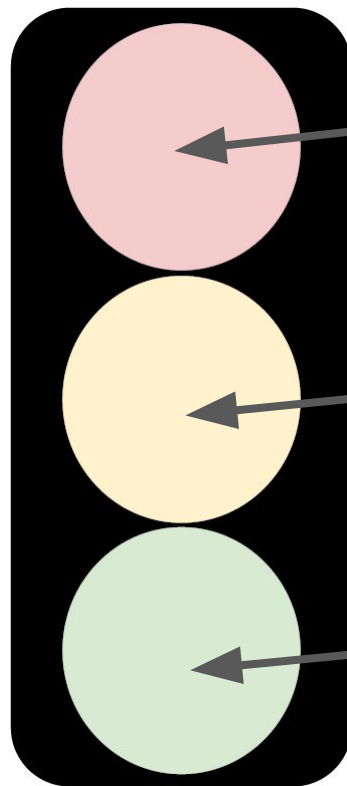
# Classroom Implementation Reflection





## Implementation Stoplight

1. Write your **Teacher ID** (e.g., cactus).
2. Write the **strategy and routine** (e.g. EAC1.B.) you tried.
3. Complete the reflection form.
4. As time allows, debrief your responses at your table.



What was **DIFFICULT** about implementing your selected strategy and routine?

What **SUPPORT** could the ROOT team provide to teachers implementing this strategy and routine?

What **WENT WELL** in implementing your selected strategy and routine?



# EAC in Focus



## Explicit Attention to Concepts

# EAC

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- emphasize connections

1

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 Card Sort, Color Coding, Compare and Connect, Number Webs, Placemats

2

Noting ways that different solution strategies are similar or different

- A** Discuss different solution strategies for the same problem
- B** Discuss different problems solved by the same strategy

 Color Coding, Favorite No, Gallery Walk, Placemats, Strings / Number Talks, Think/Share/Compare

3

Discussing the mathematical reasoning that underlies a procedure

- A** Connect a representation to the steps in a procedure
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 Number Talks, Sentence Stems, Favorite No

4

Pointing to a main idea in a lesson and how it fits into a bigger picture

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 Quick Checks, Sentence Stems, Thinking Maps



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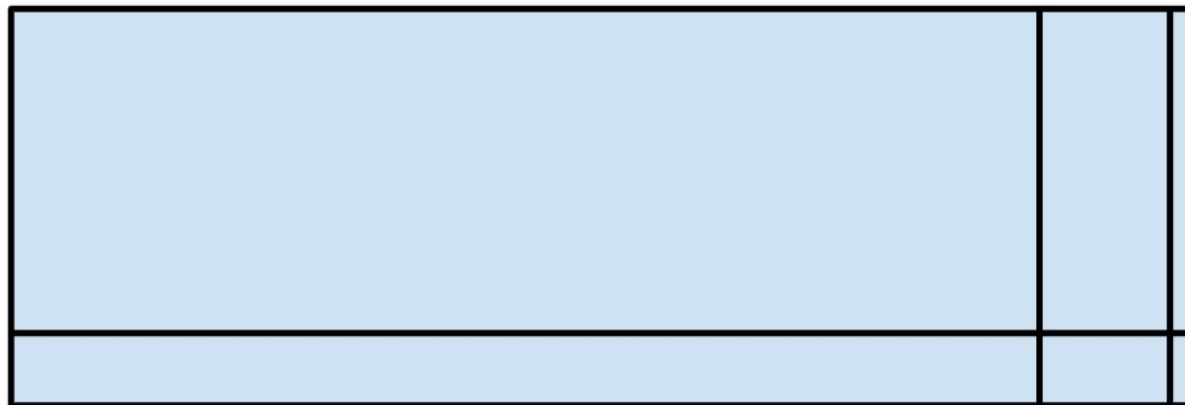


# Difference of Squares

(A Problem Solving Context for Grades 6-8)

# Big Important Concept

**Multiplication  
corresponds to  
rectangles.**



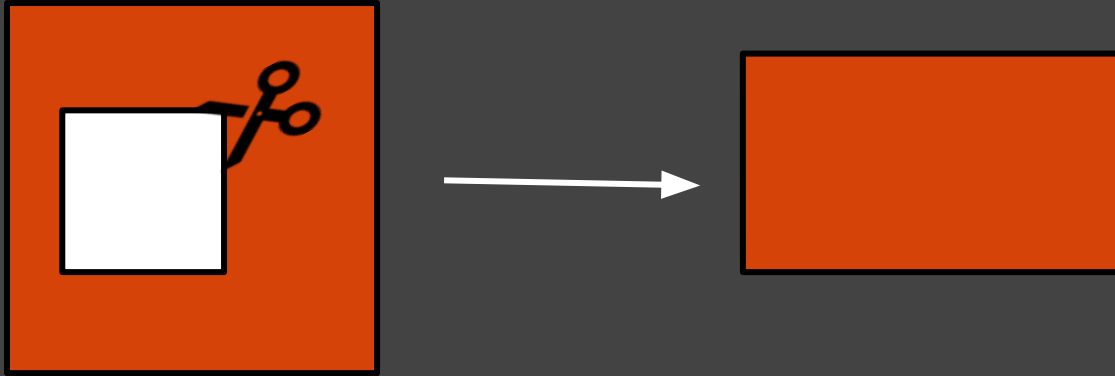
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## Task

Show how to make the “difference of squares” shaded area into a **rectangle**. Write an equation that matches your shapes.

## Handout

(let's try the problems)



# Related Standards

- [6.G.A.1](#) Find area of polygons by **composing into rectangles**.
- [6.EE.A.3](#) Apply properties to generate **equivalent expressions**.
- [6.EE.B.6](#) Use variables to represent numbers and **write expressions**.
- [7.EE.A.2](#) **Rewriting an expression** can shed light on the problem.
- [MP 7](#) Look for and make use of **structure**.
- [MP 8](#) Look for and express **regularity in repeated reasoning**.
- [HSA.SSE.B.3](#) Produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain...

# Teaching Rehearsals: Round 1





# Fraction Multiplication

(A Problem Solving Context for Grades 6-8)

What is the answer to the math problem?

What are the steps to solve the math problem?

Where is each **number digit** in the math problem and answer represented - in the model?

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{2} =$$



# Classroom Video 1

Watch two clips from a classroom lesson.

- Look for and identify EAC features, strategies, and routines.

**Explicit Attention to Concepts** **EAC**  
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3-Act Structure, Number Talks, Sentence Stems

**4** Pointing to a main idea in a lesson and how it fits into a bigger picture

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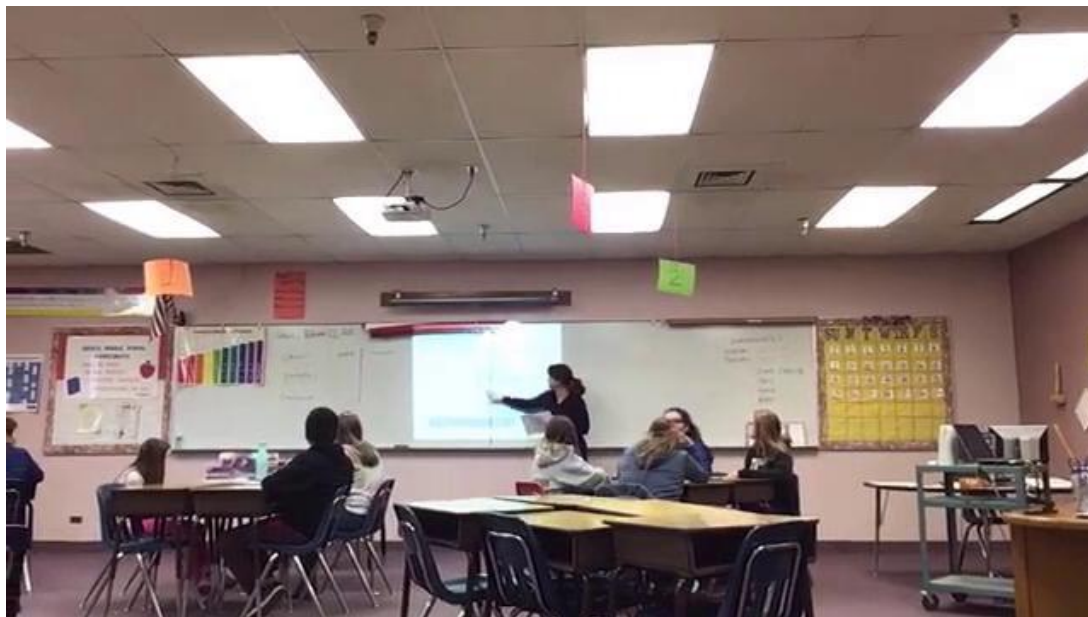
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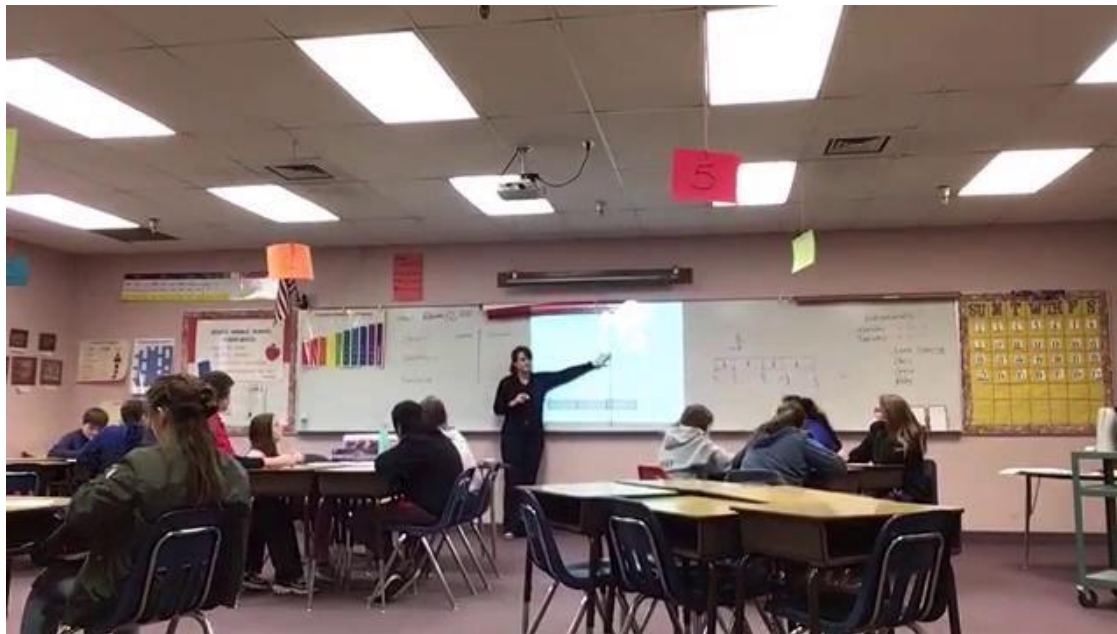


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# Table Debrief

1. What strategies, and routines did you identify?
2. What features were explicit?

# EAC Strategy 3

3

Discussing the mathematical reasoning that underlies a procedure

A

Connect a representation to the steps in a procedure

B

Provide a mathematical justification for the steps in a procedure



Number Talks, Sentence Stems, Favorite No

# Rehearsals

Rehearsals provide space for teachers to think through and enact how an instructional episode may play out. The intent is to use what is learned through analysis of practice towards productive enactment of an instructional routine.

Opportunity for  
feedback at the end  
of the day

How useful will today's rehearsals be to your implementation of EAC in your classroom?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not useful	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Highly useful



# Rehearsal Process

**Plan:** Map out a task and series of steps to implement a grade-level mini-lesson

**Teach:** Pair up with a **different colored grade level table group**

- **Blue** teaches their lesson (10 mins), Orange role-plays as students

**Reflect/modify**

- Each table reflect on/modify your lesson (5 mins)

**Swap**

- **Orange** teaches their EAC lesson (10 mins)

**Debrief**

- Reflect upon the process (5 mins)

# Plan

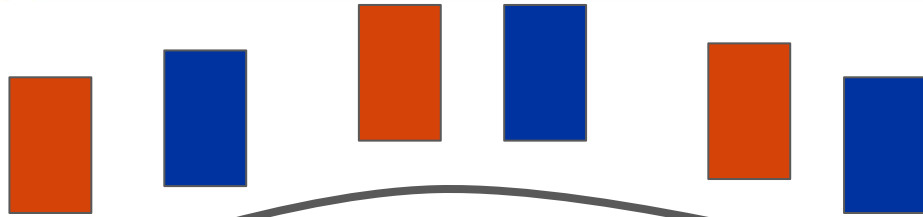
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2. Select a volunteer from your group who will teach the lesson.



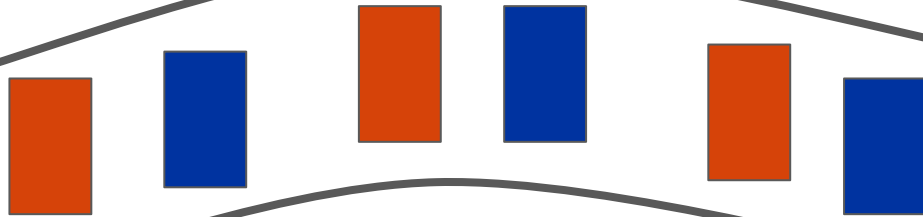
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- Modify the task but keep the implementation similar
- Keep the task but modify the implementation
- Modify the task and implementation

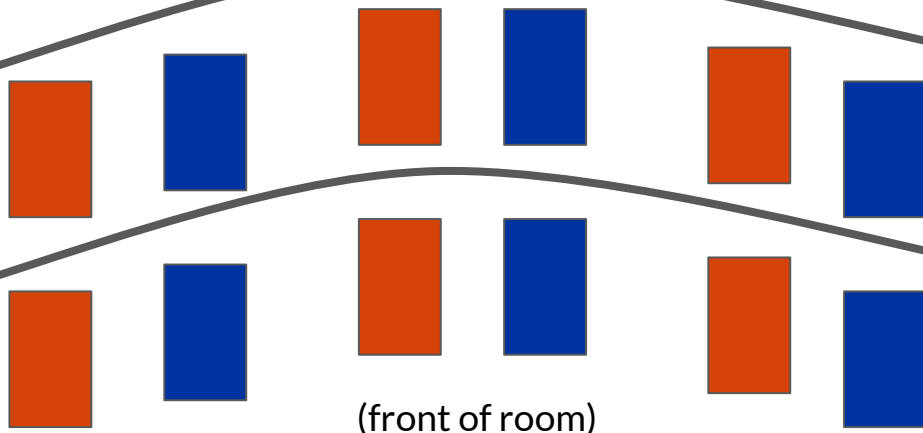
Grade 8



Grade 7



Grade 6



Orange table pair up with a blue table - same grade level

(front of room)



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8:00



3:00

# Reflect / Revise

Return to **planning table** to reflect on/modify your lesson (5 mins)





# Break



9:00

# Swap

Return to your classroom table

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# Reflect / Revise

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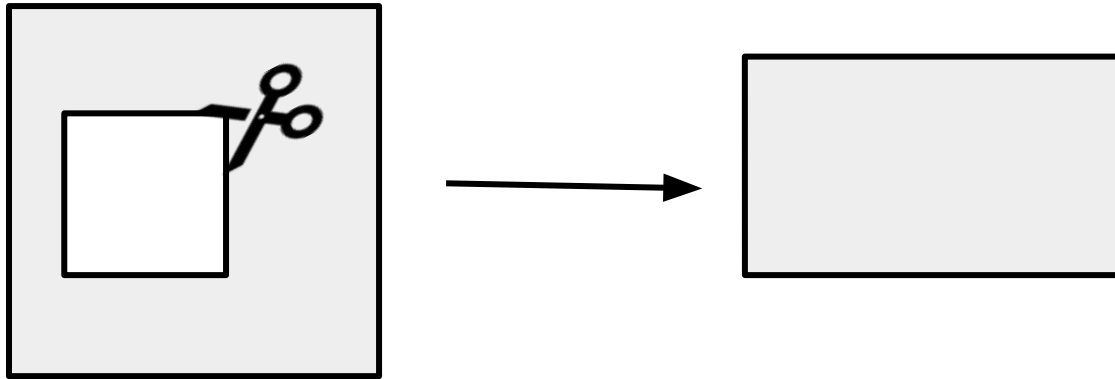
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# Teaching Rehearsals: Round 2

# Differences of Squares



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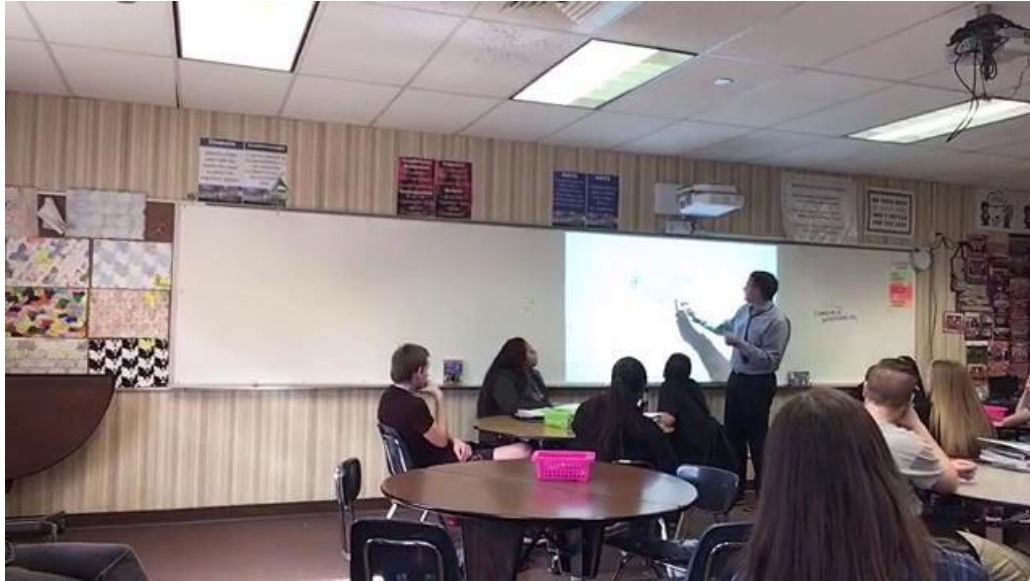
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## Introducing the Big Idea

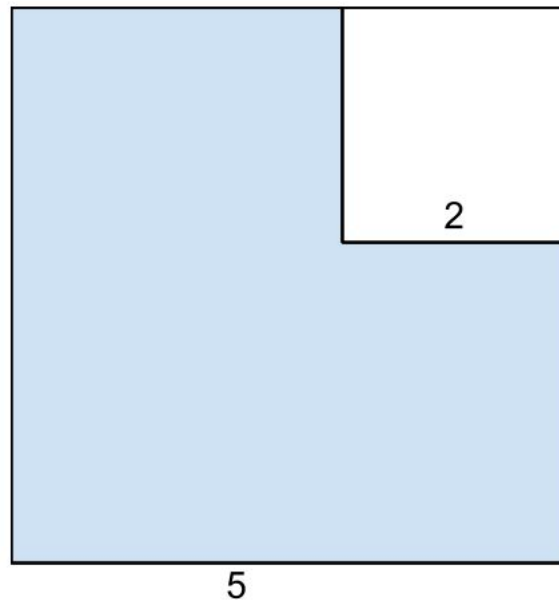


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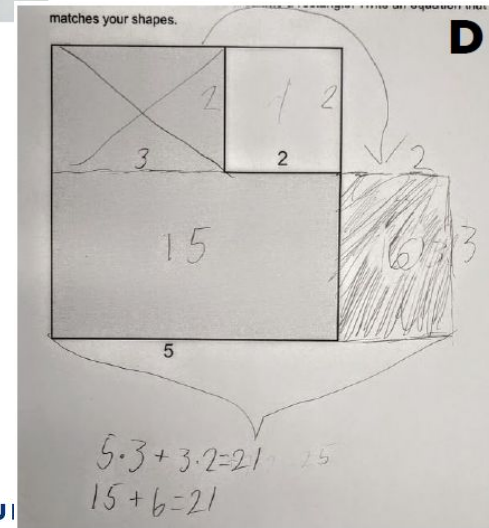
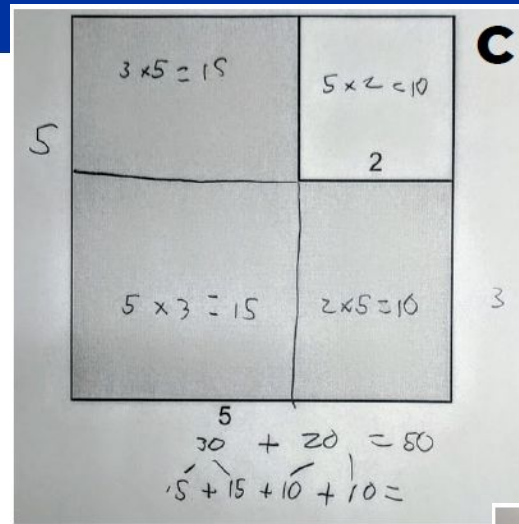
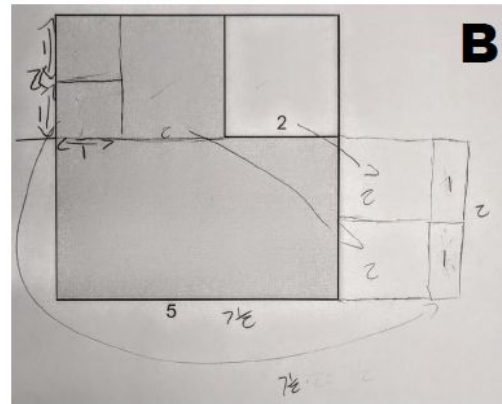
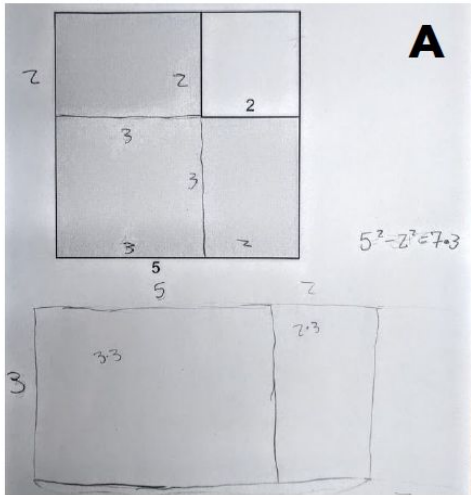


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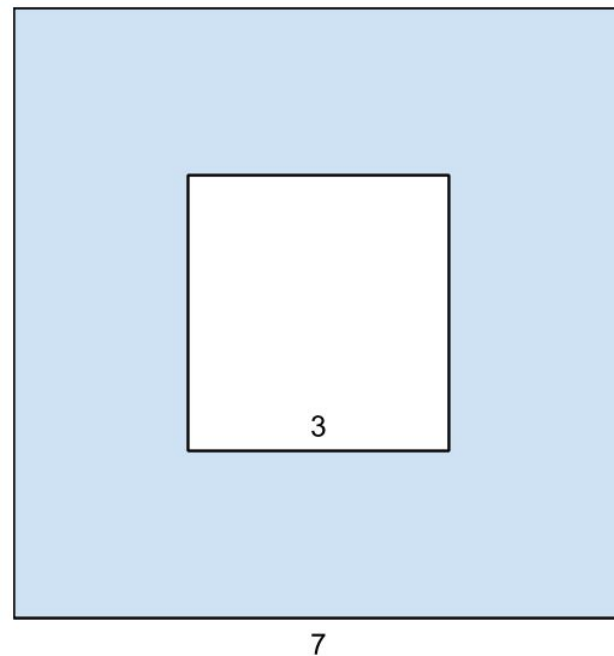
# Sample Student Work



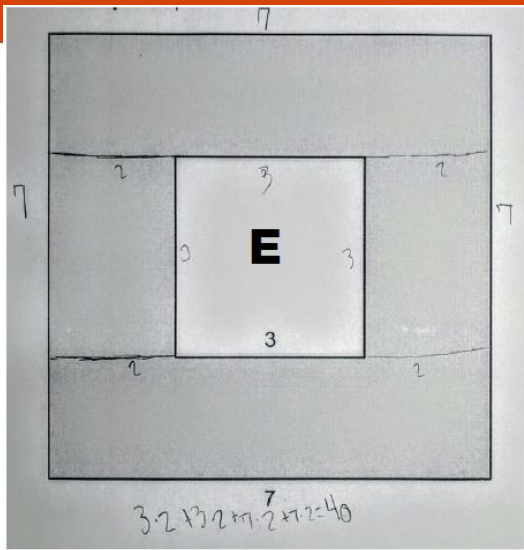


## Launching Task 2

Show how to make the shaded “difference of squares” area into a **rectangle**. Write an equation that matches your shapes.







$$3 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2 = 40$$

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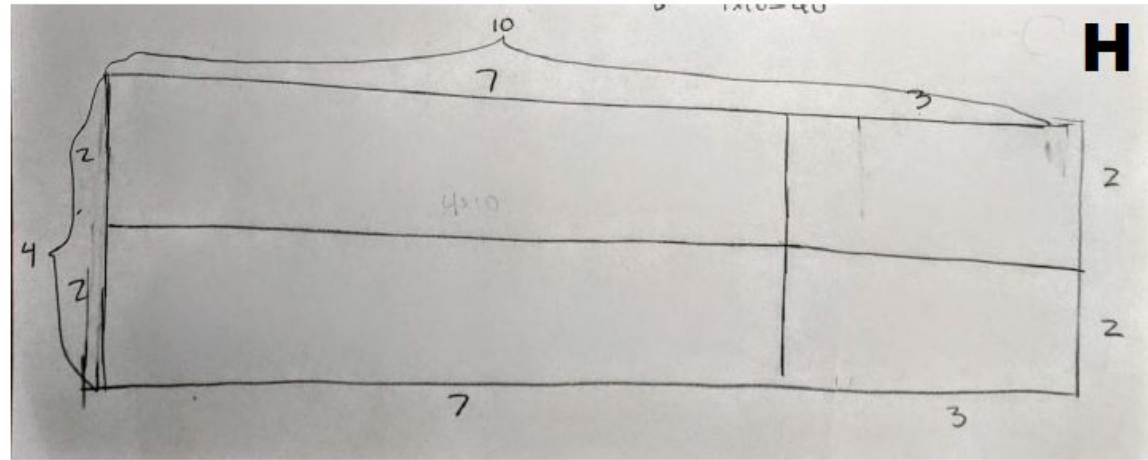
$$(7 \cdot 7) - (3 \cdot 3) = 40$$

$$49 - 9 = 40$$


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$$(4 \cdot 4) + (6 \cdot 4) = 40$$

**G**





# Debrief

1. What EAC features, strategies, and routines did you see?
2. Based on the student work, how might you lead a discussion with these students?

# EAC Strategy 2

2

**Noting ways that different solution strategies are similar or different**

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# Plan

1. Select a math learning goal.
2. Choose routine **EAC.2.A** or **EAC.2.B** to try
3. Choose **1 or 2 student work samples**
4. Plan for leading a discussion of the student work
5. Select one person from your group to teach the lesson

## Lesson Ideas

- Tasks 3/4
- Shape/Number Connections
- Expressions and equations
- Generalizing



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# Reflect / Revise

Return to **planning table** to reflect on/modify your lesson (3 mins)

**Blue** - What could you have done to get at even deeper connections?

**Orange** - Try to make the learning goal different from what Blue chose.

# Swap

Return to your classroom table

- **Orange** teaches their EAC lesson (10 mins)
- Discuss what worked and how to modify



# Announcements

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- Hiring for next year
- Next time
  - SOS with Ramey & Lindsey's help



# Implementation & Reflection

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## Plan for Implementation

- Pick an **EAC routine** to implement in your classroom before the next session
  - e.g. EAC 1.B
- Try it in your classroom before the next session, be prepared to discuss how it went

## Reflection/Feedback

Please submit this google form

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# This Year's Activities

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