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Pearson Math Makes Sense

Combined Grade Resource: Grades 3 and 4

Content Sample

Year at a Glance

Here is a suggested Math Makes Sense sequence for your Grades 3-4 combined class.

	Septem	nber	October		Novembe	er	December	January
Grade 3		1		3		2		6
Math Makes Sense		Patternir	ng	Addition	and	Numbers	to 1000	Geometry
Unit			•	Subtrac	tion			·
Recommended Timing		4 week	s	3 weel	(S	3 wee	eks	3 weeks
(weeks)								
Grade 4		1		2		3		6
Math Makes Sense		Patterns and E	quations	Whole Numbers		Multiplication and		Geometry
Unit						Division	Facts	•
	Septem	nber	October		Novembe	er	December	January

February	March	April	May		June		
ζ 7	4	5		8			Grade 3
5 Data	Measurement	Fractions		Multiplication and			Math Makes Sense
Analysis				Divisi	on		Unit
2 weeks	6 weeks	5 weeks		4 wee	ks		Recommended Timing
Ś							(weeks)
27	4	5		8			Grade 4
S Data Measurement		Fractions and De	Fractions and Decimals		Multiplying and Dividing		Math Makes Sense
Analyisis				Larger Nu	mbers		Unit
2	September	October	Novemb	er	December	r	January

Sequencing Rationale

The sequence suggested above reorders Math Makes Sense units so that you can...

- allow for students to settle into classroom routines, in September, while working with familiar content that is closely aligned across both grades.
- allow you, as the classroom teacher, to allot appropriate instructional time for each of the eight *Math Makes Sense* units.
- teach the concept of fractional numbers and values, an important number unit at these levels, to both classes concurrently.
- create opportunities for Grade 4 mentors, and Grade 4 review, as Grade 3 students work on basic multiplication and division skills.

Pacing: Though the majority of the *Math Makes Sense* units at the grade 3 and 4 levels reflect common concepts, it should be noted that many differ in length (particularly Unit 5). The suggested calendar plan accommodates this with a fluid timeframe, which will create time for one grade grouping to consolidate and demonstrate their learning, while the other grade grouping moves forward with new content for them.

Content Considerations

Unique at Grade 3: *Math Makes Sense 3* has a single unit on Multiplication and Division. It devotes a full unit to Addition and Subtraction, which is a reviewed and enhanced concept at this level.

Common: The concepts addressed in the units of *Math Makes Sense 3* and *4* are largely paralleled, with only two exceptions (Addition and Subtraction/Whole Numbers, and Numbers to 1000/Multiplication and Division Facts). Even in these cases, however, the foundational skills involved are very much the same. As one would expect, there are developmentally appropriate differences between the two resources, such as the use of decimals in grade 4 to represent a fractional value, or a measurement focus on perimeter in grade 3 and surface area in grade 4. At both grade levels, however, all students use similar fundamental concepts, build on place-value and quantity concepts in number units, and develop increasing levels of skill with patterns and equations.

Unique at Grade 4: *Math Makes Sense 4* has two units covering Multiplication and Division, with explicit instruction on basic facts in the first of these units.

Classroom Considerations

Teaching Together: In the Number units, plan for concurrent lessons when students are working on parallel concepts. At times this can even allow for matching Explore contexts, with adjustments for the range of numbers and values students will work with. In the units on Measurement, and Fractions/Fractions and Decimals, there will be opportunities for common activities and common games, as well as a need for day-to-day planning that allows you to devote time to an individual grade group.

Teaching Apart: The Shape and Space strand emphasizes different topics across Grades 3 and 4. Select *Math Makes Sense* features like the Activity Banks and Mathematics Centres, and promote the importance of student mentors, to provide ways for students in one grade grouping to engage in mathematical content independently, on those days when you may need to focus most of your attention on students in the other grade.

For more details on effective classroom strategies, and specific *Math Makes Sense* features to look for, see pages ii and iii of this *Together* resource.



Topic Plan: Patterns and Equations

MMS 3 Unit 1

MMS 4 Unit 1

Essential Learnings Across the Grades

	Grade 2	Grade 3		Grade 4		Grade 5
•	Students demonstrate an understanding of repeating patterns (3 to 5 elements) by describing, extending, comparing, creating patterns using manipulatives, diagrams, sounds, and actions	 Students demonstrate an understanding of increasing and decreasing patterns by describing, extending, comparing, and creating patterns using manipulatives, diagrams, sounds, and actions 	•	Students identify and describe patterns found in tables and charts, and reproduce a pattern shown in a table or chart using concrete materials Students represent and describe patterns and	-	Students determine the pattern rule to make predictions about subsequent elements in a pattern Students solve problems involving single-variable, one-stan equations with
•	Students demonstrate an understanding of increasing		relationships using charts and tables to solve problems		whole number coefficients and whole number solutions	
	patterns by describing, reproducing, extending, creating patterns using manipulatives, diagrams, sounds, and actions (numbers to 100)		•	Students express a given problem as an equation, and solve one-step equations where a symbol is used to represent an unknown number		

Content Considerations

Unique at Grade 3

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Common

- Applying place-value concepts and other strategies to add and subtract whole numbers
- · Working with various increasing and decreasing patterns
- Skip-counting

Unique at Grade 4

 Using charts and tables to illustrate and communicate patterns, including a multiplication chart

Classroom Considerations

Pacing

Grade 3s have 8 lessons, Grade 4s have 6 lessons. September can be a hectic time with many interruptions and distractions. This topic plan includes whole-group game and activities days that may be excluded if time is limited. Grade 4 Lesson 5 will be included in a later unit, when Grade 3s are working on multiplication and division.

Teaching Together

Lesson pairs with common concepts are found on Days 5, 6, 11.

Teaching Apart

Since Grade 3s have more lessons to cover, you might:

- Engage Grade 4s with math centres and Activity Banks from MMS
- Selectively assign Grade 4 students as mentors for younger students

Duration: 3 - 4 Weeks

	<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1		
_	Patterning	Patterns and Equations		
DAY 1	<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, <i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1 Launch			
DAY 2	Unit 1 Lesson 1 Exploring Increasing Numbers	Unit 1 Lesson 2	DAY 2	
DAY 3	Unit 1 Lesson 2 Creating Increasing Patterns	Extending Number Patterns	DAY 3	
DAY 4	Unit 1 Lesson 3 Comparing Increasing Patterns	Unit 1 Lesson 3 Representing Patterns	DAY 4	
DAY 5	Unit 1 Lesson 4 Increasing Number Patterns	Unit 1 Lesson 1	DAY 5	
DAY 6	Unit 1 Lesson 8 Decreasing Number Patterns	Patterns in Charts	DAY 6	
DAY 7	Games Day Additional Activities 1, 2, 3, 4	Games Day Additional Activities 1, 2, 3	DAY 7	
DAY 8	Unit 1 Lesson 6 Exploring Decreasing Patterns	Unit 1 Lesson 4	DAY 8	
DAY 9	Unit 1 Losson 7	Equations involving Addition and Subtraction	DAY 9	
DAY 10	Creating and Comparing Decreasing Patterns	Game Number the Blocks	DAY 10	
DAY 11	Unit 1 Lesson 5 Strategies Toolkit	Unit 1 Lesson 6 Strategies Toolkit	DAY 11	
DAY 12 *Optional	Games Day* Additional Activities 1, 2, 3, 4; Game: What's the Pattern Rule?	Games Day* Additional Activities 1, 2, 3, 4	DAY 12 *Optional	
DAY 13	Unit 1 Show What You Know	Unit 1 Show What You Know	DAY 13	
DAY 14	Unit 1 Unit Problem It's a Pattern Party!	Unit 1 Unit Problem Calendar Patterns	DAY 14	
DAY 15	Unit 1 Unit Test	Unit 1 Unit Test	DAY 15	

Grade 3 Activate prior learning about patterns (sounds, actions)	We can find and create patterns.	Grade 4 Activate prior learning about patterns (calendars, numbers)
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<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1		
Launch, SE pp. 4-5	Launch, SE pp. 4-5		
Materials	Materials		
N/A	N/A		

Lesson Plan

Activate Prior Learning
Present the Grade 3 Unit Launch to the whole class. As described in Grade 3 TG page 2. Pair Grade 3s and 4s together, or project Grade
3 SE pages 4, 5. Have the class answer the questions on Grade 3 SE page 5.
Then, present the Grade 4 Unit Launch to the whole class. Project Grade 4 SE pages 4, 5 and have the class answer the questions on
Grade 4 SE page 5.
Discuss the meanings of the key words for both grades, and outline the various learning goals.
Have Grade 3s and Grade 4s record their responses to questions and any other ideas they have in their math journals.



Grade 3 Describe and extend growing patterns	We can find and create increasing patterns.	Grade 4 Extend patterns in a table to solve problems
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<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, Lesson 1, SE pp. 6-8 Exploring Increasing Patterns	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1, Lesson 2, SE pp. 10-13 Extending Number Patterns			
Materials and Resources	Materials and Resources geoboards, geobands, 2-column charts (PM 19), 3-column charts (PM 20), 4-column charts (PM 21), 1-cm grid paper (PM 23), square dot paper (PM 25)			
Materials for all Pattern Blocks (PM 28)				

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Have the whole class read the lesson opener at the top of Grade 3 SE page 6, and answer the questions.					
During/	Explore				
Present the Explore fro	om Grade 3 SE page 6.				
Extend for Grade 4s and have them use a 3-column chart to list the	Figure Number, the number of red blocks, and the number of green				
blo	cks.				
After/C	onnect				
Gather students from both grades together. Tea	cher-led discussion of the Explore and Connect.				
Direct Grade 3s to start	the Practice questions.				
Practice: Students work on Practice questions. Explore: As described in Grade 4 TG page 8.					
	Distribute geoboards, geobands, and square dot paper, and				
	present the Grade 4 Explore, SE page 10. Complete all tasks with				
	students as you read each dulleted instruction.				

day 3

Grade 3 Create and describe increasing patterns	We can find pattern rules.	Grade 4 Use tables to represent number patterns		
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1,		<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1,		
Lesson 2, SE pp. 9-1 Creating Thomasing Patt	1 Less	ion 2, SE pp. 10-13, continued		
Materials and Resources	Materials	and Resources		
square tiles, 1-cm grid paper (PM 23)		geoboards, geobands, square dot paper		

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Ask Grade 3 students to read and respond to the Reflect question from Lesson 1, Grade 3 SE page 8. When finished, they should read the lesson opener at the top of Grade 3 SE page 9, and answer the questions.					
Students work on Reflect, and on Before. During/Explore					
	Review the questions from Show and Share, Grade 4 SE page 10. Teacher-led discussion of the Explore (as described in TG page 9).				
Direct students' attention to Explore, Grade 3 SE page 9. Distribute square tiles and grid paper, and have students work in pairs on the Explore.	Students draw the 8th and 9th rectangles to check.				
During/Explore	After/Connect				
Students work on the Explore.	As described in Grade 4 TG page 10. Review Connect, Grade 4 SE page 11. Direct students to start the Practice questions. Encourage them to work independently and to offer peer mentorship.				
After/Connect	Practice: Students work on Practice questions. Early finishers can				
Teacher-led discussion of the Explore and Connect.	complete the Reflect question, Grade 4 SE page 13.				
Practice: Students work on Practice questions.					

Grade 3 Different patterns have different rules	We can u concrete material build pat	use 2 s to terns.	Grade 4 Use patterns to find missing information			
<i>MM5 3</i> Unit 1,		<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1,				
Lesson 3, SE pp. 12-2	14	Lesson 3, SE pp. 14-17				
Comparing Increasing Pat	terns		Representing Patterns			
Materials and Resources		Materials and Resources				
square tiles		counters, Pattern Blocks (PM 28), square dot paper (PM 25), triangular dot paper (PM 26)				
Materials for all 1-cm grid paper (PM 23)						

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Have Grade 3s pair up, and read and do the Explore on Grade 3 SE page 12.		
During/Explore	During/Explore	
Students work on Explore.	Present the Grade 4 Explore, Grade 4 SE page 14.	
After/Connect	Students work on Explore.	
Teacher-led discussion of the Explore and the Connect.		
Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	After/Connect: Teacher-led discussion of the Explore and Connect.	
	Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	

Grade 3 Use skip-counting to explore increasing patterns	We can t patterns number charts.	ind in Investig describe p cha	de 4 ate and atterns in rts
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, Lesson 4, SE pp. 15-1 Increasing Number Patte	.7 erns	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit Lesson 1, SE p Patterns in Cl	· 1, p. 6-9 harts
Materials and Resources		Materials and Resources 1-cm grid paper (PM 23)	
Materials for all hundred charts (PM 15), crayons or pencil crayons			

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started With the whole class, discuss the patterns found in the 100-chart at the top of MMS 4 page 6. Distribute 100-charts.		
During/Explore During/Explore		
Students read and work on the Explore, Grade 3 SE page 15. Students read and work on the Explore, Grade 4 SE page 6.		
After/Connect Whole-class discussion on the Explores from both grades. Send Grade 3s to Practice.		
Practice: Students work on Practice questions. When finished, they should answer the Reflect question, Grade 3 SE page 17.	After/Connect Teacher-led discussion of the Grade 4 Connect.	

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Grade 3 Count back to explore decreasing patterns	We can u patterns solve problems	use s to s. S. Continue to work with patterns in charts
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, Lesson 8, SE pp.28-31	L	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1, Lesson 1, SE pp. 6-9 (continued)
Decreasing Number Patte	rns	Patterns in Charts
Materials and Resources		Materials and Resources
hundred chart from 100 to 1 (Master 1.18)		hundred charts (PM 15), 1-cm grid paper
Materials for all pencil crayons		

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started With the whole class, discuss the problem at the top of Grade 3 SE page 28. Send Grade 4s to Practice.		
During/Explore	Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	
Present Explore. Distribute hundred charts.	question, Grade 4 SE page 9.	
Teacher-led discussion of the Explore.		
After/Connect		
Teacher-led discussion of the Connect.		
Practice: Students work on Practice questions.		

day 7

Grade 3 Use knowledge about patterns in different activities	We can u patterns games.	use s in Use knowledge about patterns in different activities
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, Additional Activities, <i>ProGuide</i>	™ p. ix	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1, Additional Activities, <i>ProGuide</i> ™ p. ix
Materials and Resources	•	Materials and Resources
Missing Figures Master 1.7, square tiles, cardboard divider		Number Search Master 1.7, hundred chart (PM 15)
Roll and Go! Master 1.8, number cubes		Patterns to the Nines Master 1.8, calculators
Patterning Mix-Up Master 1.9, 1-cm grid paper, scissors, coloured pencils or markers		Twenty-One Master 1.9, Snap Cubes
Missing Numbers Master 1.10, calculators, strips of paper		

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Explain to students that they are going to use their knowledge of patterns to play mathematical games at various stations. Give the instructions for some or for all of these or other games as needed.	
Practice: Students rotate through the centres. Practice: Students rotate through the centres. Circulate to assist as needed. Circulate to assist as needed.	
Gather students and invite them to talk about their experiences with these activities. You might like to draw attention to the products or thinking of one group or another to highlight important concepts for the whole class.	

Grade 3 Describe decreasing patterns	We can u patterns differen ways.	use : in :t	Grade 4 Create and solve equations
			<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1,
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1,			Lesson 4, SE pp. 18-21
Lesson 6, SE pp.21-2	24	Equ	ations Involving Addition and
Exploring Decreasing Pat	terns		Subtraction
Materials and Resources		Materials a	nd Resources
Snap Cubes		Base Ten Blo (Master 1.16	ocks, 2-colour counters, scissors, equation cards), blank cards

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Ask Grade 4s to write a response to the Reflect question on Grade 4 SE page 17.		
Before/Get Started	Students work on Reflect.	
As described in Grade 3 TG page 19. Then, hand out Snap Cubes and explain the instructions for the Explore.		
During/Explore	Before/Get Started	
Students work on Explore.	As described in Grade 4 TG page 16. Hand out equation cards (Master 1.16) and present Explore.	
After/Connect	During/Explore	
Teacher-led discussion of the Explore and Connect (as described in Grade 3 TG pages 19, 20, 21).	Students play the game in Explore.	
Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	After/Connect: Teacher-led discussion of Explore and Connect (as described in Grade 4 TG pages 17, 18).	
	Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	

day 9

Grade 3 Compare decreasing patterns	Use patt to solve problem	terns s.	Grade 4 Create and solve equations
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1,	7		MMS 4 Unit 1,
Lesson 7, 5E pp. 25-2 Creating and Comparing Dec	:/ reasina	Lesso Equ	n 4, 55 pp. 18-21 (continued) ations Involving Addition and
Patterns	5	- •	Subtraction
Materials and Resources		Materials a	nd Resources
counters, Pattern Blocks		Base Ten Bl	ocks, counters

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Have Grade 3s write a response to the Reflect question, Grade 3 SE page 24. Send Grade 4s to Practice, where they will continue working on Practice questions from Lesson 4.		
Before/Get Started	Practice: Students work on Practice questions. When finished, they	
Present the lesson opener at the top of Grade 3 SE page 25. Then, hand out counters and present Explore.	should answer the Reflect question on Grade 4 SE page 21 with a partner.	
During/Explore		
Students work on Explore. Circulate and ask questions, as described in Grade 3 TG page 23.		
After/Connect		
Teacher-led discussion of the Explore and Connect.		

day 10



Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Send Grade 3s to Practice.	
Practice: Students work on Practice questions. When finished, they should answer the Reflect question, Grade 3 SE page 27.	Before/Get Started With students, read the instructions for the game, Grade 4 SE page 25. During/Explore Students play the game.
	Pose questions, as described in Grade 4 TG page 23.

day 11

Grade 3 Use a pattern to solve a problem	We can th about th strategic use.	talk he ies we
<i>MM5 3</i> Unit 1, Lesson 5, SE pp. 18-1 Strategies Toolkit	9	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1, Lesson 6, SE pp. 26-27 Strategies Toolkit
Materials and Resources		Materials and Resources counters (optional)
Materials for all Pattern Blocks (PM 28)		

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Send Grade 3s to finish Practice questions from Lesson 7, including the Reflect question (Grade 3 SE page 27).		
Grade 3s work on Practice questions.	Before/Get Started	
	Present Explore, Grade 4 SE page 26.	
Before/Get Started	During/Explore	
Present Explore, Grade 3 SE page 18.	Students work on Explore.	
During/Explore	After/Connect	
Students work on Explore.	Work through Connect with the class.	
After/Connect		
With the whole class, present Connect from Grade 3 SE page 18. Pair up Grade 3s and Grade 4s to work on this problem.		
Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	Practice: Students work on Practice questions.	



Grade 3	We can play	Grade 4
Use knowledge about	games that	Use knowledge about
patterns in different	involve	patterns in different
activities	patterns.	activities

MMS 3 Unit 1,	MMS 4 Unit 1,
Additional Activities, <i>ProGuide™</i> p. ix	Additional Activities, <i>ProGuide™</i> p. ix
*Optional	*Optional
Materials and Resources	Materials and Resources
Missing Figures	Number Search
Master 1.7, square tiles, cardboard divider	Master 1.7, hundred chart (PM 15)
Roll and Go!	Patterns to the Nines
Master 1.8, number cubes	Master 1.8, calculators
Patterning Mix-Up	Twenty-One
Master 1.9, 1-cm grid paper, scissors, coloured pencils or markers	Master 1.9, Snap Cubes
Missing Numbers	Make It Work
Master 1.10, calculators, strips of paper	Master 1.10, Pattern Blocks
Materials for all Game: What's the Pattern Rule? Grade 3 SE p. 20	

square tiles, Game Cards (Master 1.19)

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Introduce this as a day that students will be playing games and doing activities that involve patterns. Give the instructions for some or for all of these or other games as needed.		
Practice: Students rotate through the centres. Circulate to assist as needed. Practice: Students rotate through the centres. Circulate to assist as needed.		
Have the whole class play the game: What's the Pattern Rule?, Grade 3 SE page 20.		



Grade 3

Demonstrate what has been learned about increasing and decreasing patterns We can demonstrate our learning.

Grade 4

Demonstrate what has been learned about patterns and equations

<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1,	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1,	
Show What You Know, SE pp. 32-33	Show What You Know, SE pp. 28-29	
Materials and Resources Pattern Blocks (PM 28)	Materials and Resources counters	
Materials for all		
hundred chart (PM 15), 1-cm grid paper (PM 23)		

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Review the learning goals for each grade. Send students to Practice, where they will be answering questions from their Student Books.		
Practice	Practice	
Students work on questions from their Student Books.	Students work on questions from their Student Books.	
Provide Grade 3 Extra Practice Masters 1.22 – 1.26 (from the CD) as home study aids.	Provide Grade 4 Extra Practice Masters 1.20 – 1.23 (from the CD) as home study aids.	

day 14

Grade 3 Apply skills from Unit 1 to solve a problem	Solve problem involving patterns	S 1 3.	Grade 4 Apply skills from Unit 1 to solve a problem
<i>MMS 3</i> Unit 1, Unit Problem, SE pp. 34 It's a Pattern Party!	-35	Ui	<i>MMS 4</i> Unit 1, nit Problem, SE pp. 30-31 Calendar Patterns
Materials and Resources materials for drawing (markers, crayons, coloured per cut into strips and large sheets	encils), paper	Materials and blank calend	nd Resources ar page (Master 1.17)

Lesson Plan

Before/Get Started Have Grade 4s independently read the Unit Problem. Have them answer Reflect on Your Learning, Grade 4 SE page 31.		
Before/Get Started	Students answer Reflect on Your learning.	
Readress the Unit Launch on Grade 3 SE pages 4-5. Ensure all students understand the Unit Problem. Remind students to use the Checklist on Grade 3 SE page 35 to assess whether their work is complete before handing it in.		
Unit Problem	Before/Get Started	
Students work on the Unit Problem. If students finish early, have them play the game What's the Pattern Rule?, Grade 3 SE page 20.	Readress the Unit Launch on Grade 4 SE pages 4-5. Ensure all students understand the Unit Problem. Remind students to use the Checklist on Grade 4 SE page 31 to assess whether their work is complete before handing it in.	
	Unit Problem	
	Students work on the Unit Problem.	
Practice: Students answer Reflect on Your Learning, Grade 3 SE page 35.	Practice: Students can finish answering Reflect on Your Learning, Grade 4 SE page 31.	

day 15



Lesson Plan

Practice	Practice
Students do the Unit Test.	Students do the Unit Test.

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