



Ascend Math News February 2014



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Upcoming Events

Upcoming Conferences

Feb 20 - 21 <u>IAASE</u> Springfield, IL

March 8-9 Missouri CEC Lake Ozark, MO

March 15-17 <u>ASCD</u> Los Angeles, CA

April 9 - 12 <u>CEC</u> Philadelphia, PA

April 9 - 12 <u>NCTM</u> New Orleans, LA

June 17 - 19 InnEdCo Copper Mountain, CO

July 21 - 23

Math Fun



Here's an important one to share with your students. 92% of adults attempting this online failed to find the correct answer. It's amazing how quickly we forget.

Choose Correct Answer!

$$7 + 7 \div 7 + 7 \times 7 - 7$$

a: 00

b: 08

c: 50

d: 56

92% FAIL THIS SIMPLE TEST!

Tip of the Month



This is a great time to review your students' activity on Ascend for the past six months. We suggest pulling the Activity report from August 01, 2013 to January 31, 2014. To retrieve the report go to the Reports tab, Activity Reports, and then select Activity Completion. When examining this report look at the number of objectives completed by each student thus far. Make sure that all students are on track to reach the individual goals set for them. We also suggest looking at the total time on task to make sure that students are meeting the required time set by the teacher. The Activity Completion Report is also handy to

CAMT Fort Worth, TX view on a weekly basis. You may easily adjust your date range when pulling the report.



Product Announcements



A special <u>Student Walkthrough</u> video has been created for students new to Ascend. Having students watch this video before starting their Ascend Math program will save you time answering questions. New students will know what to expect and become comfortable with working in Ascend in no time. Students can view the walkthrough video from Resources on their Home Page.

Improvements to Flash Card Math continue with the launch of Flash Card Math 2.0. In addition to the many new features added last year Flash Card Math now features a new student-friendly interface that makes it even easier for all students to use.



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Partner School Success



Congratulations to Defiance City Schools, February's Partner School of the Month. Their students have completed 4,734 objectives, an average of 54 objectives for each student. Peg Johnson sent the photo below and writes "The students in the Ascend Math program are working diligently on their individual lesson. They are eager to complete the lesson and go on to their next assignment. The program's study guides, videos, explore activities, practice problems, and then post assessments allow each student to complete the lesson at their own pace. Students enjoy the program and like the satisfaction of passing each of their assigned objectives."



Ascend Math Blog Recent Posts



- Olympic Math, 540s and 1080s
- Are Hope and Well-Being Key Indicators of Student Success?
- Will the Next Stage of Data Driven Instruction Make Smarter Students?
- Students Doing Well in Math but May be Hurt by Common Core
- Elementary Students use iPads for Math Intervention

Answer to Math Fun



C: 50

This is a great way to reinforce the order of operations with students and encourage them since 92% generally get it wrong.

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