# Perseverance in Math Presenters: Vanessa James and Suzy Kaplan 



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$\square$ Chinese (284)
$\square$ Creole(Haitian) (257)
$\square$ Spanish (238)Portuguese (236)Arabic (116)Vietnamese (106)
$\square$ Canton Chinese (62)
$\square$ Mandarin Chinese (59)
$\square$ Other (38)

Home Language
Native Language ELP Designation All $\uparrow$

## Objectives

* Provide examples on how to effectively meet content and language standards by providing ELLs the necessary strategies to persevere in math


# "What is perseverance?" 

"Perseverance is..."

# Perseverance Needs to be Explicitly Taught! 



How do we identify the degree of perseverance amongst diverse learners?


1. How much would it cost to buy a robot and a piggy bank?
2. How much would it cost to buy a toy car and a plastic duck?
3. How much would it cost to buy two beach balls?

How much would it cost to buy a drum and a doll?
answer:
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> What evidence of perseverance is being demonstrated in this example?

## Observable Evidence of Perseverance

## * Solved the problems correctly



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## Observable Evidence of Perseverance

## * Solution is correct AND

* Underlines the question
* Shows a clear strategy for solving the problem
* Gives a clear explanation on how they solved the problem


What evidence of perseverance is being demonstrated in this example?
snaring rumpkin seeds
Ben and his 3 friends toasted 80 pumpkin seeds from their pumpkin. How many seeds will each child get if they share the pumpkin seeds fairly? Clearly explain your thinking using words, numbers, and/or pictures.



## Observable Evidence of Perseverance

* underlines important information in the problem
* shows work
* student explains their thinking
* demonstrates several ways to solve the problem
* student checks their work carefully


## Road Blocks for ELLs

2. The New Year's Eve party started at half past 10 and went until midnight. How long did the party last? Draw the hands on the clocks below to help you find the answer.

3. The temperature at 8:00 a.m. was $68^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. If the temperature rose $2^{\circ}$ each hour, what was the temperature at 11:00 a.m.?
"Ms. Kaplan what does the temperature, rose, 2 zero each hour mean?"

Strategies To Help ELLs Persevere

## WIDA Interactive Scaffold: Explicitly Teaching Strategies to increase Math Perseverance Gradual Release

* I Do. You watch
- Teacher models how to analyze question, identify strategy, solve the problem, write explanation
* I Do. You help.
- Teacher practices strategies for analyzing the question with students
- Teacher and students discuss strategies that could be used to solve the problem
- Teacher supports students with writing an explanation on how to solve the problem
- You do. I help.
- Students practice math problems, teacher identifies strategy to use to solve the problem
* You do. I watch.
- Students identify which problem solving strategy and operation works best for them to solve the problem on their own
- Students write explanation on how they solved the problem

Meta-cognitive Problem-Solving Tools

* Create anchor charts and model how to refer to them when solving math word problems
* Include visuals in anchor chart

| Problem Solving Strategies |
| :--- |
| Use logical reasoning |
| Act it out |
| Draw a picture |
| Look for a pattern |
| Guess and check ? |
| Make a table |
| Make an organized list |
| Work backwards. |
| Write a number sentence $7 \times 8=5$ |

## Problem-Solving tools



## Problems with Relying solely Clue Words

Ms. Kaplan has 22 students in her classroom which is 5 less than Ms. James. How many students does Ms. James have?

## CUBES

## * Strategy for analyzing the word problem

- (C)ircle the important numbers
- (U)nderline the question
- (B)ox operational words
- (E) valuate- what do we do next?
- (S)olve and check


CUBES


## CUBES


We DO


## You Do

## Use CUBES to solve and check your answer: SHOW YOUR WORK!

Ms. Weinberg brought a lot of fruit to schoofone day. She brought (36) apples and 28 oranges. How much fruit did she bring altogether?


Students write their own math word problems

(2) Stacy has 6 cookies and each cookie has 3 chodlete chips on it. Ho w many choclere chips do stacy have in 4 ll?

## Scaffolding techniques for ELLs

(Name) has cookies. Each cookie has chocolate chips. How many chocolate chips does (Name) have in all?

## Magic Foldable Book



## Guiding Questions

* What is the question asking?
* What information is given to help solve the problem?
* What strategy will help you solve the problem?
* How can you check your answer?
* Can you explain the steps you took to find the answer?


# Developing Academic Language 

Sentence Frames

- I Do: Model sentence frames
- We Do: Practice together
- You Do: Turn and Talk using sentence frames
- Journal Writing

Geometry
An attribute of a
$\qquad$ is $\qquad$
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ are similar because
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ are different because
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## Language Functions \& Sentence Frames



## Graphic Organizers



## Using graphic organizers help students organize information

> Sentence frames help students organize the format of their writing

Writing in Math


The triangle and Rhombus are the some because they lave polggons, they both hue vertices and are both 2-D.

## Journals



Math journals provide students
\% the opportunity to experiment with, and apply various strategies to show their understanding.

## Group/ Partner Work

* Students practice academic language
* Heterogeneous grouping
* Each group member has a job: Reporter. Problem Solver, Recorder, Time Keeper



## Musical Math

There are 18 desks in a classroom. If the teacher puts 6 desks in each row, how many rows are there?


Questions?

## Resource Page

## Links:

http://teachelemmath.weebly.com/ english-language-learners.html

## http://www.corestandards.org/Math/

http://www.literacycoachingonline.org/ briefs/reading_coach_for_math.pdf
www.malden.wikispaces.com

