

Common Core Skill Alignment

8TH GRADE: GRADE 8



8.NS The Number System

8.NS.A Know that there are numbers that are not rational, and approximate them by rational numbers.

8.NS.A.1 Know that numbers that are not rational are called irrational. Understand informally that every number has a decimal expansion; for rational numbers show that the decimal expansion repeats eventually, and convert a decimal expansion which repeats eventually into a rational number.

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D.5 Identify rational and irrational numbers

8.NS.A.2 Use rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers, locate them approximately on a number line diagram, and estimate the value of expressions (e.g., π^2).

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F.16 Estimate positive and negative square roots

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F.21 Estimate cube roots

8.EE Expressions and Equations

8.EE.A Work with radicals and integer exponents.

8.EE.A.1 Know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions.

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F.4 Exponents with negative bases

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F.6 Understanding negative exponents

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F.7 Evaluate negative exponents

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F.12 Evaluate expressions using properties of exponents

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F.13 Identify equivalent expressions involving exponents

8.EE.A.2 Use square root and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations of the form $x^2 = p$ and $x^3 = p$, where p is a positive rational number. Evaluate square roots of small perfect squares and cube roots of small perfect cubes. Know that the square root of 2 is irrational.

- ☐ **F.14** Square roots of perfect squares
- ☐ **F.15** Positive and negative square roots
- ☐ **F.17** Relationship between squares and square roots
- ☐ **F.19** Cube roots of perfect cubes
- ☐ **F.20** Solve equations involving cubes and cube roots

8.EE.A.3 Use numbers expressed in the form of a single digit times an integer power of 10 to estimate very large or very small quantities, and to express how many times as much one is than the other.

- ☐ **G.1** Convert between standard and scientific notation
- ☐ **G.2** Compare numbers written in scientific notation

8.EE.A.4 Perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimal and scientific notation are used. Use scientific notation and choose units of appropriate size for measurements of very large or very small quantities (e.g., use millimeters per year for seafloor spreading). Interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology.

- ☐ **G.3** Multiply numbers written in scientific notation
- ☐ **G.4** Divide numbers written in scientific notation

8.EE.B Understand the connections between proportional relationships, lines, and linear equations.

8.EE.B.5 Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph. Compare two different proportional relationships represented in different ways.

- ☐ **I.1** Find the constant of proportionality from a table
- ☐ **I.4** Find the constant of proportionality from a graph
- ☐ **I.7** Graph proportional relationships

8.EE.B.6 Use similar triangles to explain why the slope m is the same between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the coordinate plane; derive the equation $y = mx$ for a line through the origin and the equation $y = mx + b$ for a line intercepting the vertical axis at b .

- ☐ **Y.1** Find the slope of a graph
- ☐ **Y.2** Find the slope from two points
- ☐ **Y.4** Find the slope of a linear equation
- ☐ **Y.5** Graph a line using slope
- ☐ **Y.6** Graph a line from an equation in slope-intercept form
- ☐ **Y.8** Write a linear equation from a graph

8.EE.C Analyze and solve linear equations and pairs of simultaneous linear equations.

8.EE.C.7 Solve linear equations in one variable.

8.EE.C.7a Give examples of linear equations in one variable with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions. Show which of these possibilities is the case by successively transforming the given equation into simpler forms, until an equivalent equation of the form $x = a$, $a = a$, or $a = b$ results (where a and b are different numbers).

- ☐ **W.14** Find the number of solutions
- ☐ **W.15** Create equations with no solutions or infinitely many solutions

8.EE.C.7b Solve linear equations with rational number coefficients, including equations whose solutions require expanding expressions using the distributive property and collecting like terms.

- ☐ **W.3** Model and solve equations using algebra tiles
- ☐ **W.7** Solve two-step equations
- ☐ **W.8** Solve multi-step equations
- ☐ **W.9** Solve equations involving like terms
- ☐ **W.10** Solve equations with variables on both sides
- ☐ **W.11** Solve equations: mixed review
- ☐ **W.12** Solve equations: complete the solution
- ☐ **W.13** Solve equations: word problems

8.EE.C.8 Analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations.

8.EE.C.8a Understand that solutions to a system of two linear equations in two variables correspond to points of intersection of their graphs, because points of intersection satisfy both equations simultaneously.

- ☐ **AA.1** Is (x, y) a solution to the system of equations?
- ☐ **AA.2** Solve a system of equations by graphing
- ☐ **AA.4** Find the number of solutions to a system of equations by graphing

8.EE.C.8b Solve systems of two linear equations in two variables algebraically, and estimate solutions by graphing the equations. Solve simple cases by inspection.

- ☐ **AA.5** Find the number of solutions to a system of equations
- ☐ **AA.8** Solve a system of equations using substitution
- ☐ **AA.10** Solve a system of equations using elimination

8.EE.C.8c Solve real-world and mathematical problems leading to two linear equations in two variables.

- ☐ **AA.3** Solve a system of equations by graphing: word problems
- ☐ **AA.9** Solve a system of equations using substitution: word problems
- ☐ **AA.11** Solve a system of equations using elimination: word problems

8.F Functions

8.F.A Define, evaluate, and compare functions.

8.F.A.1 Understand that a function is a rule that assigns to each input exactly one output. The graph of a function is the set of ordered pairs consisting of an input and the corresponding output.

- ☐ **I.8** Interpret graphs of proportional relationships
- ☐ **Z.1** Identify functions
- ☐ **Z.2** Does (x, y) satisfy the linear function?
- ☐ **Z.6** Evaluate a linear function

- ☐ **Z.7** Complete a table for a linear function
- ☐ **Z.8** Complete a table and graph a linear function
- ☐ **Z.9** Interpret the graph of a linear function: word problems
- ☐ **Z.17** Find values using function graphs
- ☐ **Z.18** Complete a table for a function graph

8.F.A.2 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions).

- ☐ **Z.11** Compare linear functions: graphs, tables, and equations

8.F.A.3 Interpret the equation $y = mx + b$ as defining a linear function, whose graph is a straight line; give examples of functions that are not linear.

- ☐ **Y.6** Graph a line from an equation in slope-intercept form
- ☐ **Z.14** Identify linear and nonlinear functions

8.F.B Use functions to model relationships between quantities.

8.F.B.4 Construct a function to model a linear relationship between two quantities. Determine the rate of change and initial value of the function from a description of a relationship or from two (x, y) values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. Interpret the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in terms of the situation it models, and in terms of its graph or a table of values.

- ☐ **I.2** Write equations for proportional relationships from tables
- ☐ **I.5** Write equations for proportional relationships from graphs
- ☐ **Y.1** Find the slope of a graph
- ☐ **Y.2** Find the slope from two points
- ☐ **Y.4** Find the slope of a linear equation
- ☐ **Y.5** Graph a line using slope
- ☐ **Y.7** Write a linear equation from a slope and y-intercept
- ☐ **Y.8** Write a linear equation from a graph
- ☐ **Y.9** Write a linear equation from a slope and a point
- ☐ **Y.10** Write a linear equation from two points

- ☐ **Z.5** Constant rate of change
- ☐ **Z.10** Write a linear function from a table
- ☐ **Z.12** Write linear functions: word problems

8.F.B.5 Describe qualitatively the functional relationship between two quantities by analyzing a graph (e.g., where the function is increasing or decreasing, linear or nonlinear). Sketch a graph that exhibits the qualitative features of a function that has been described verbally.

- ☐ **Z.12** Write linear functions: word problems

8.G Geometry

8.G.A Understand congruence and similarity using physical models, transparencies, or geometry software.

8.G.A.1 Verify experimentally the properties of rotations, reflections, and translations:

8.G.A.1a Lines are taken to lines, and line segments to line segments of the same length.

- ☐ **P.2** Identify reflections, rotations, and translations
- ☐ **P.3** Translations: graph the image
- ☐ **P.5** Reflections: graph the image
- ☐ **P.7** Rotations: graph the image

8.G.A.1b Angles are taken to angles of the same measure.

- ☐ **P.2** Identify reflections, rotations, and translations
- ☐ **P.3** Translations: graph the image
- ☐ **P.5** Reflections: graph the image
- ☐ **P.7** Rotations: graph the image

8.G.A.1c Parallel lines are taken to parallel lines.

- ☐ **P.2** Identify reflections, rotations, and translations

- ☐ P.3 Translations: graph the image
- ☐ P.5 Reflections: graph the image
- ☐ P.7 Rotations: graph the image

8.G.A.2 Understand that a two-dimensional figure is congruent to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of rotations, reflections, and translations; given two congruent figures, describe a sequence that exhibits the congruence between them.

- ☐ P.9 Congruence statements and corresponding parts
- ☐ P.10 Side lengths and angle measures of congruent figures
- ☐ Q.1 Similar and congruent figures

8.G.A.3 Describe the effect of dilations, translations, rotations, and reflections on two-dimensional figures using coordinates.

- ☐ P.4 Translations: find the coordinates
- ☐ P.6 Reflections: find the coordinates
- ☐ P.8 Rotations: find the coordinates
- ☐ Q.2 Dilations: graph the image
- ☐ Q.3 Dilations: find the coordinates

8.G.A.4 Understand that a two-dimensional figure is similar to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of rotations, reflections, translations, and dilations; given two similar two-dimensional figures, describe a sequence that exhibits the similarity between them.

- ☐ Q.1 Similar and congruent figures
- ☐ Q.5 Side lengths and angle measures of similar figures

8.G.A.5 Use informal arguments to establish facts about the angle sum and exterior angle of triangles, about the angles created when parallel lines are cut by a transversal, and the angle-angle criterion for similarity of triangles.

- ☐ O.6 Find missing angles in triangles
- ☐ O.8 Exterior Angle Theorem
- ☐ O.12 Transversal of parallel lines

8.G.B Understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem.

8.G.B.6 Explain a proof of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse.

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R.5 Converse of the Pythagorean theorem: is it a right triangle?

8.G.B.7 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in real-world and mathematical problems in two and three dimensions.

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R.1 Pythagorean theorem: find the length of the hypotenuse

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R.2 Pythagorean theorem: find the missing leg length

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R.3 Pythagorean theorem: find the perimeter

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R.4 Pythagorean theorem: word problems

8.G.B.8 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance between two points in a coordinate system.

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N.4 Find the distance between two points

8.G.C Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres.

8.G.C.9 Know the formulas for the volumes of cones, cylinders, and spheres and use them to solve real-world and mathematical problems.

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T.9 Volume of cylinders

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T.10 Volume of cones

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T.13 Volume of spheres

8.SP Statistics and Probability

8.SP.A Investigate patterns of association in bivariate data.

8.SP.A.1 Construct and interpret scatter plots for bivariate measurement data to investigate patterns of association between two quantities. Describe patterns such as clustering, outliers, positive or negative association, linear association, and nonlinear association.

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CC.14 Scatter plots

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DD.8 Outliers in scatter plots

8.SP.A.2 Know that straight lines are widely used to model relationships between two quantitative variables. For scatter plots that suggest a linear association, informally fit a straight line, and informally assess the model fit by judging the closeness of the data points to the line.

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DD.9 Scatter plots: line of best fit

8.SP.A.3 Use the equation of a linear model to solve problems in the context of bivariate measurement data, interpreting the slope and intercept.

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DD.9 Scatter plots: line of best fit

8.SP.A.4 Understand that patterns of association can also be seen in bivariate categorical data by displaying frequencies and relative frequencies in a two-way table. Construct and interpret a two-way table summarizing data on two categorical variables collected from the same subjects. Use relative frequencies calculated for rows or columns to describe possible association between the two variables.

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8TH GRADE: MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES



MP1 Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze givens, constraints, relationships, and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems, and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, "Does this make sense?" They can understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.

- ☐ **I.8** Interpret graphs of proportional relationships
- ☐ **O.12** Transversal of parallel lines
- ☐ **R.4** Pythagorean theorem: word problems
- ☐ **W.13** Solve equations: word problems
- ☐ **Z.9** Interpret the graph of a linear function: word problems
- ☐ **AA.3** Solve a system of equations by graphing: word problems
- ☐ **AA.9** Solve a system of equations using substitution: word problems
- ☐ **AA.11** Solve a system of equations using elimination: word problems

MP2 Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

- ☐ **F.12** Evaluate expressions using properties of exponents
- ☐ **I.1** Find the constant of proportionality from a table
- ☐ **I.2** Write equations for proportional relationships from tables
- ☐ **I.4** Find the constant of proportionality from a graph
- ☐ **I.5** Write equations for proportional relationships from graphs
- ☐ **I.8** Interpret graphs of proportional relationships
- ☐ **R.4** Pythagorean theorem: word problems
- ☐ **Y.8** Write a linear equation from a graph
- ☐ **Z.5** Constant rate of change
- ☐ **Z.6** Evaluate a linear function
- ☐ **Z.7** Complete a table for a linear function
- ☐ **Z.9** Interpret the graph of a linear function: word problems
- ☐ **Z.12** Write linear functions: word problems

MP3 Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases, and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose. Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and-if there is a flaw in an argument-explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams, and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grades can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.

- ☐ **D.5** Identify rational and irrational numbers
- ☐ **F.13** Identify equivalent expressions involving exponents
- ☐ **F.17** Relationship between squares and square roots
- ☐ **F.20** Solve equations involving cubes and cube roots
- ☐ **Q.1** Similar and congruent figures
- ☐ **W.12** Solve equations: complete the solution
- ☐ **Z.2** Does (x, y) satisfy the linear function?
- ☐ **Z.11** Compare linear functions: graphs, tables, and equations
- ☐ **AA.1** Is (x, y) a solution to the system of equations?

MP4 Model with mathematics.

Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community. By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later. They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

- ☐ **W.13** Solve equations: word problems

- ☐ **Z.7** Complete a table for a linear function
 - ☐ **Z.9** Interpret the graph of a linear function: word problems
 - ☐ **AA.3** Solve a system of equations by graphing: word problems
 - ☐ **AA.9** Solve a system of equations using substitution: word problems
 - ☐ **AA.11** Solve a system of equations using elimination: word problems
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MP5 Use appropriate tools strategically.

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

- ☐ **I.7** Graph proportional relationships
 - ☐ **N.4** Find the distance between two points
 - ☐ **P.3** Translations: graph the image
 - ☐ **P.5** Reflections: graph the image
 - ☐ **P.7** Rotations: graph the image
 - ☐ **W.3** Model and solve equations using algebra tiles
 - ☐ **Y.5** Graph a line using slope
 - ☐ **Y.6** Graph a line from an equation in slope-intercept form
 - ☐ **AA.2** Solve a system of equations by graphing
 - ☐ **AA.4** Find the number of solutions to a system of equations by graphing
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MP6 Attend to precision.

Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

- ☐ F.7 Evaluate negative exponents
- ☐ F.15 Positive and negative square roots
- ☐ F.16 Estimate positive and negative square roots
- ☐ F.21 Estimate cube roots
- ☐ G.1 Convert between standard and scientific notation
- ☐ G.2 Compare numbers written in scientific notation
- ☐ G.3 Multiply numbers written in scientific notation
- ☐ G.4 Divide numbers written in scientific notation
- ☐ P.2 Identify reflections, rotations, and translations
- ☐ P.9 Congruence statements and corresponding parts
- ☐ T.9 Volume of cylinders
- ☐ T.10 Volume of cones
- ☐ T.13 Volume of spheres
- ☐ W.12 Solve equations: complete the solution
- ☐ W.14 Find the number of solutions
- ☐ Z.1 Identify functions
- ☐ Z.14 Identify linear and nonlinear functions
- ☐ AA.5 Find the number of solutions to a system of equations

MP7 Look for and make use of structure.

Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see 7×8 equals the well remembered $7 \times 5 + 7 \times 3$, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression $x^2 + 9x + 14$, older students can see the 14 as 2×7 and the 9 as $2 + 7$. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see $5 - 3(x - y)^2$ as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers x and y .

- ☐ F.4 Exponents with negative bases
- ☐ F.6 Understanding negative exponents
- ☐ F.7 Evaluate negative exponents
- ☐ F.13 Identify equivalent expressions involving exponents
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- ☐ G.1 Convert between standard and scientific notation
- ☐ G.2 Compare numbers written in scientific notation
- ☐ N.4 Find the distance between two points
- ☐ O.6 Find missing angles in triangles
- ☐ P.10 Side lengths and angle measures of congruent figures
- ☐ Q.5 Side lengths and angle measures of similar figures
- ☐ R.3 Pythagorean theorem: find the perimeter
- ☐ R.5 Converse of the Pythagorean theorem: is it a right triangle?
- ☐ W.9 Solve equations involving like terms
- ☐ W.10 Solve equations with variables on both sides
- ☐ W.15 Create equations with no solutions or infinitely many solutions
- ☐ CC.14 Scatter plots

MP8 Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through (1, 2) with slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation $(y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3$. Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding $(x - 1)(x + 1)$, $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$, and $(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$ might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.

- ☐ **F.12** Evaluate expressions using properties of exponents
- ☐ **I.1** Find the constant of proportionality from a table
- ☐ **I.4** Find the constant of proportionality from a graph
- ☐ **Y.1** Find the slope of a graph
- ☐ **Y.5** Graph a line using slope