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Getting Comfortable with Coding in Math

Teacher's Guide

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About This Guide

This guide was prepared for all educators seeking to introduce Python coding activities into their mathematics classroom. These activities were prepared with the new Ontario Grade 9 De-Streamed Mathematics curriculum (*MTH1W*) in mind, but may be used by any educator in any province or territory.

Grade Level

These activities are best suited for Grades 7-9 students.

Learning Goals

- Use Python to define and use variables in simple mathematical expressions.
- Understand how Python may be used to simplify and evaluate more complex mathematical expressions.

Success Criteria

(Students will) know they are successful when:

- They can define and use Python variables in simple mathematical expressions
- They can test and evaluate mathematical expressions using Python

Ontario Curriculum Expectations

Activities 1 and 2 meet the following expectations outlined in the MTH1W curriculum:

- **C1.2** create algebraic expressions to generalize relationships expressed in words, numbers, and visual representations, in various contexts
- **C1.4** simplify algebraic expressions by applying properties of operations of numbers, using various representations and tools, in different contexts
- **C2.1** use coding to demonstrate an understanding of algebraic concepts including variables, parameters, equations, and inequalities
- **C2.2** create code by decomposing situations into computational steps in order to represent mathematical concepts and relationships, and to solve problems

Getting Started

Students will need to have access to either a [Google Colab](#) or [Callysto Hub](#) (Google or Microsoft) account to make a copy of the activities, which are stored in a **digital notebook**.

While these activities can be run on any device, a **Chromebook** or **laptop computer** is recommended.

Students may also wish to have a pencil, paper, and/or calculator.

Students will need to make a copy of the activities found on [Github](#). They will be able to choose between opening in Google Colab or Callysto.

Further Resources

A video demonstration of the two activities may be found on the [CS Integration](#) website.