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Unit 2 Linear Equations – Very Important Processes	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	8.EE.7 Solve linear equations in one variable.		8.SP.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.	
	8.EE.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).		8.SP.3 Use the equation of a linear model to solve problems in the context of bivariate measurement data, interpreting the slope and intercept. <i>For example, in a linear model for a biology experiment, interpret a slope of 1.5 cm/hr as meaning that an additional hour of sunlight each day is associated with an additional 1.5 cm in mature plant height.</i>	
	8.EE.7b Solve linear equations with rational number coefficients, including equations whose solutions require expanding expressions using the distributive property and collecting like terms.			
	Title	Topic	Standards	Resources
	Ditch Diggers	Linear Equation	8.EE.7, MP.4	101qs
	Stacking Cups	Slope-Intercept, Linear Functions, System of Equations	8.EE.7, 8.EE.7b, 8.EE.8, 8.EE.8a, MP.4	101qs

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Unit 3 Functions and Linear Relationships	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	<p>8.EE.5 Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph. Compare two different proportional relationships represented in different ways. <i>For example, compare a distance-time graph to a distance-time equation to determine which of two moving objects has greater speed.</i></p>		<p>8.EE.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.</p>	
	<p>8.F.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.</p>		<p>8.F.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>(Function notation is not required in grade 8)</i></p>	
	<p>8.F.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.</p>		<p>8.F.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. <i>For example, the function $A = s^2$ giving the area of a square as a function of its side length is not linear because its graph contains the points $(1,1)$, $(2,4)$ and $(3,9)$, which are not on a straight line.</i></p>	
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	25 Billion Apps	Linear	8.F.4, MP.2, MP.4	101qs
	Joules	Temperature	8.F.5, MP.1, MP.3, MP.4	101qs
	Styrofoam Cups	Linear, function, slope, slope intercept	8.EE.5, 8.EE.6, 8.EE.7, 8.EE.7a, 8.F.4, 8.F.5, A.CED.1, A.REI.3, MP.8	101qs
	Drag Race	Distance, Rate, Time	8.EE.5	Blog

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Unit 4 Systems	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	8.EE.8 Analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations.			
	8.F.2 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions). <i>For example, given a linear function represented by a table of values and a linear function represented by an algebraic expression, determine which function has the greater rate of change.</i>			
	Title	Topic	Standards	Resources
	Playing Catch Up	Rates	8.EE.8, MP.4	Dan Meyer
	Basketball Shots	System of Equations	8.EE.5, 8.EE.8, 8.EE.8a, 8.EE.8b, 8.EE.8c	101qs

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Unit 5 Pythagorean Theorem	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	8.G.7 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in real-world and mathematical problems in two and three dimensions.		8.G.6 Explain a proof of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse	
	8.G.8 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance between two points in a coordinate system.		8.EE.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 $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.	
			8.NS.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). <i>For example, by truncating the decimal expansion of $\sqrt{2}$, show that $\sqrt{2}$ is between 1 and 2, then between 1.4 and 1.5, and explain how to continue on to get better approximations.</i>	
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	Taco Cart	Pythagorean Theorem and D=RT	8.G.7, F.IF.4, MP.4	101qs
	Snail's Pace	Rate, Time, Distance, Pythagorean Theorem	8.G.6, 8.G.7	101qs
	Basketball Travel	Pythagorean Theorem, D=RT	8.G.6	Vimeo
	TV Space	Pythagorean Theorem	8.G.6	mrpicmath

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Unit 8 Transformational Geometry	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	8.G.3 Describe the effect of dilations, translations, rotations, and reflections on two-dimensional figures using coordinates.		8.G.1 Verify experimentally the properties of rotations, reflections, and translations:	
			8.G.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.	
			8.G.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.	
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Unit 9 Statistics and Probability	Priority Standards		Supporting Standards	
	<p>8.SP.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. <i>For example, collect data from students in your class on whether or not they have a curfew on school nights and whether or not they have assigned chores at home. Is there evidence that those who have a curfew also tend to have chores?</i></p>		<p>8.SP.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.</p>	
			<p>8.SP.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.</p>	
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	Deodorant	Rate of Change, Proportions	S.IC.4, MP.4, 8.SP.2, 8.SP.1	101qs