

# Common Core

# MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

## Journal Prompts, Essential Questions, and Choice Boards

The image displays three overlapping sample pages from the resource. The leftmost page is a journal prompt sheet with four sections, each containing a decorative border and the text: "Write about a time you persevered when solving a math problem." The middle page is an MP.1 Choice Board, which is a 2x3 grid of questions. The rightmost page is an MP.7-8 Choice Board, which is a 2x3 grid of questions. The choice boards are designed to be printed on purple patterned paper.

**MP.1 CHOICE BOARD**

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**MP.7-8 CHOICE BOARD**

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# NOTE TO TEACHER

This product contains two different resources to easily implement the Common Core Mathematical Practices into your classroom.

Journal Prompts/Essential Questions: These are 49 different prompts to get the students thinking and applying the practice to what they know. These are stand alone prompts/questions and do not need problems to go along with them.

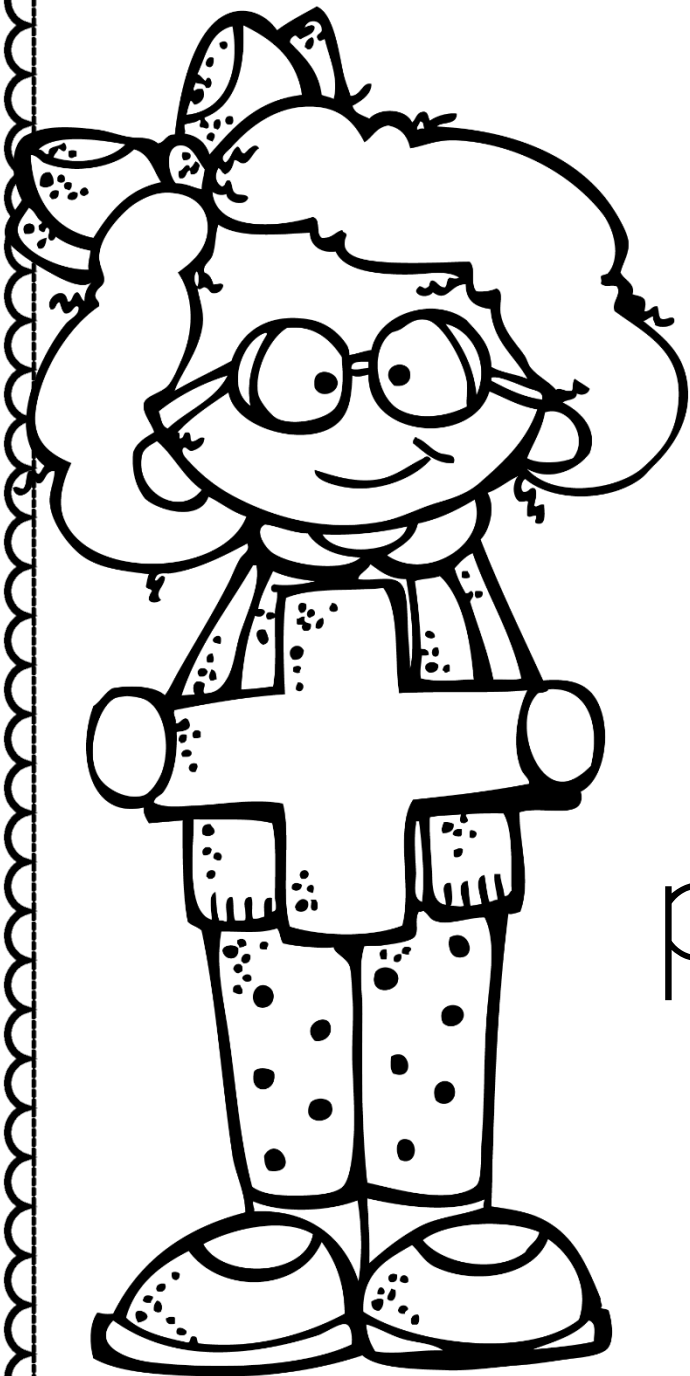
Choice Boards: The choice boards are to be completed after solving a math problem. The choice boards are divided by practice standard (except MP.7 and MP.8 are combined). The students can choose which question to answer about the problem they just completed. (Math problems are not included in this resource.) The choice boards would work great at a math center.



# JOURNAL PROMPTS OR ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

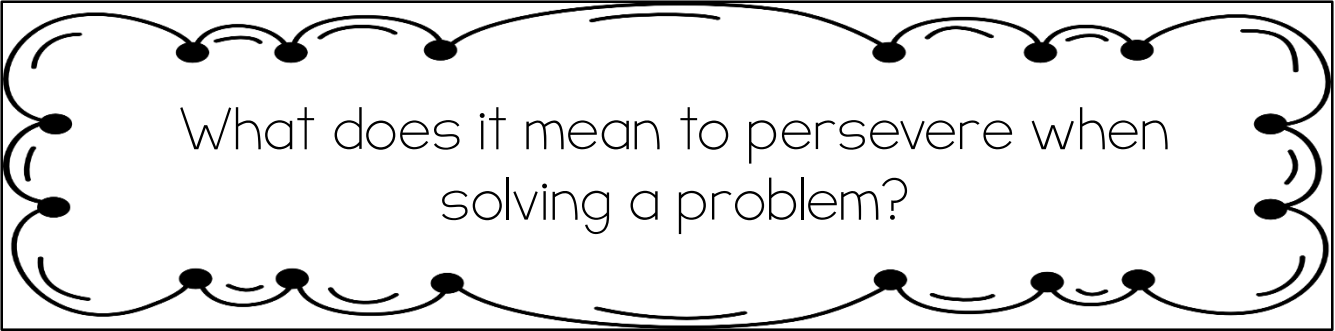
One Prompt Per Page Version: These could be kept in a folder or reduced in size when printed to be glued into math notebooks.

5 Prompts Per Page Version: Use this version to save copies. The students would cut and paste the prompt to their notebooks and then write underneath the prompt.

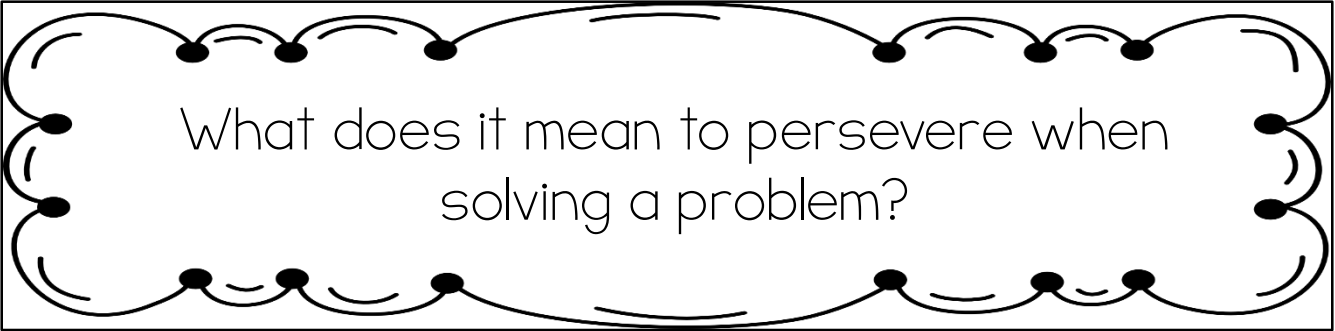


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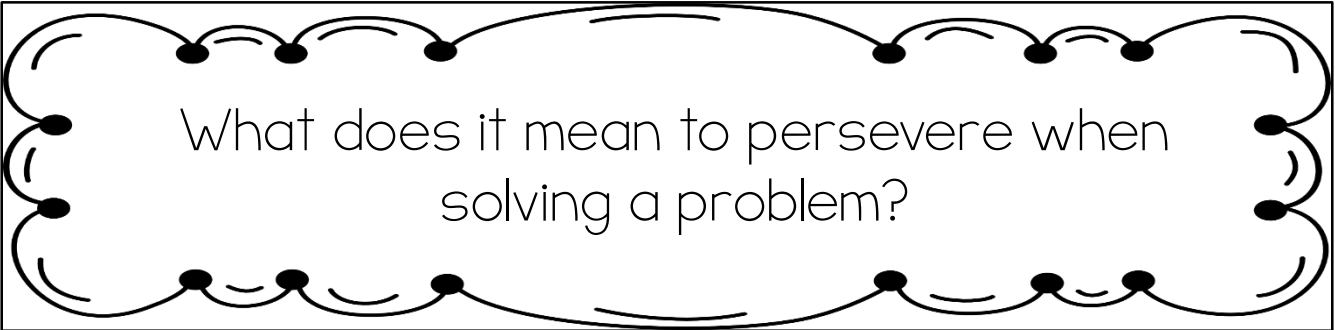
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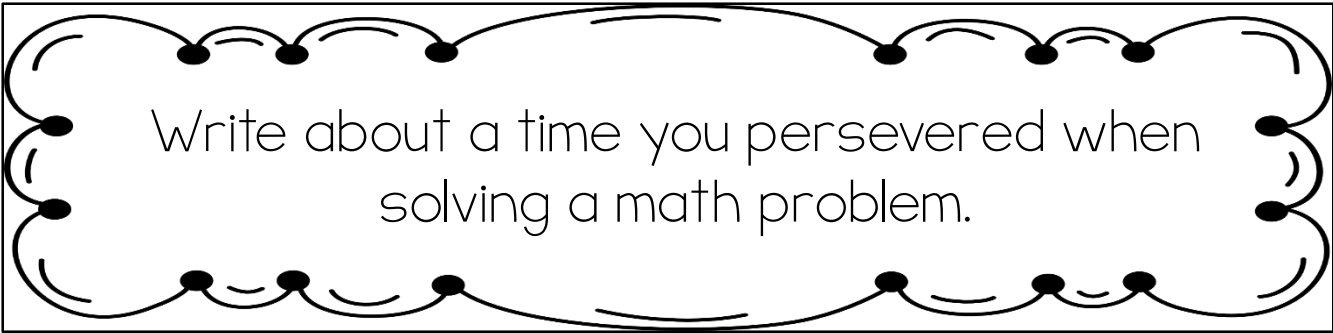


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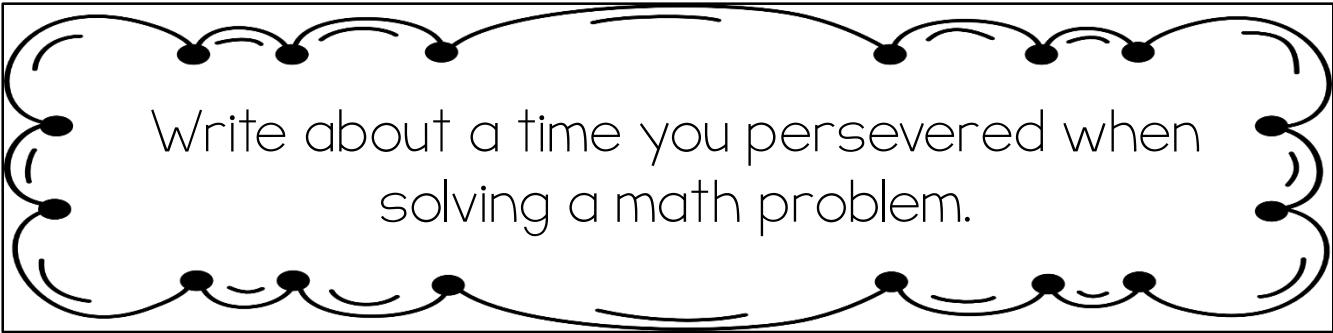


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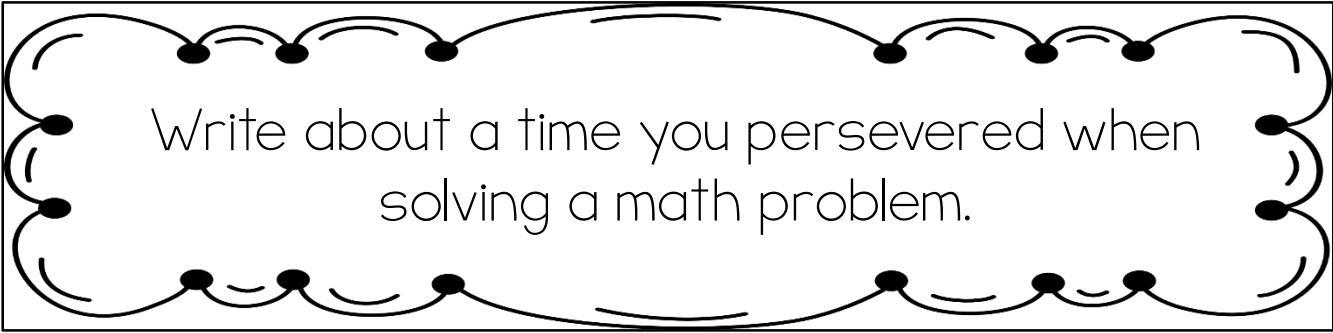




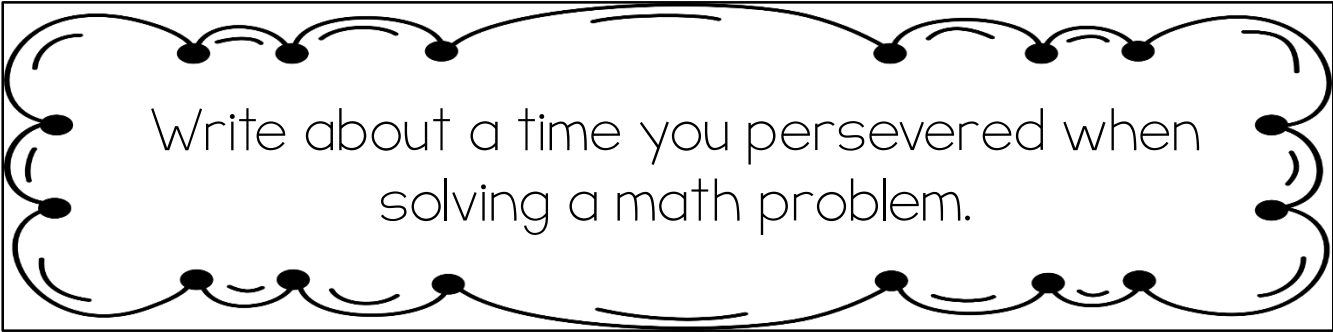
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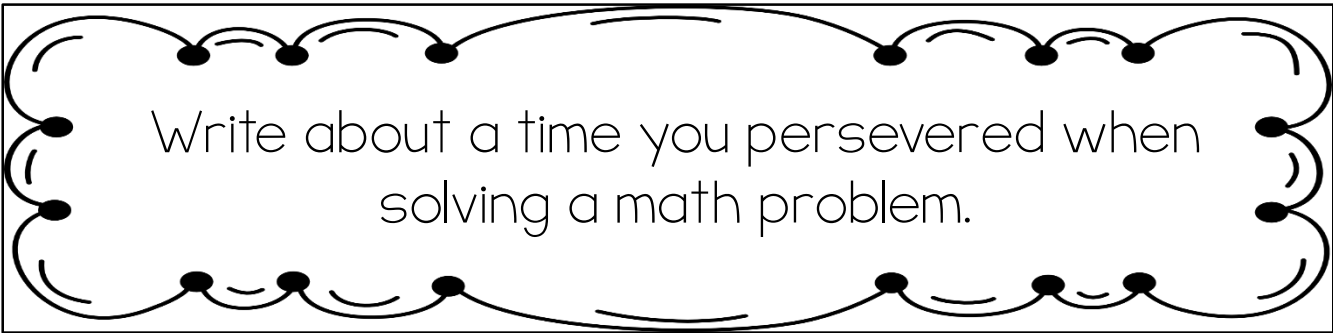
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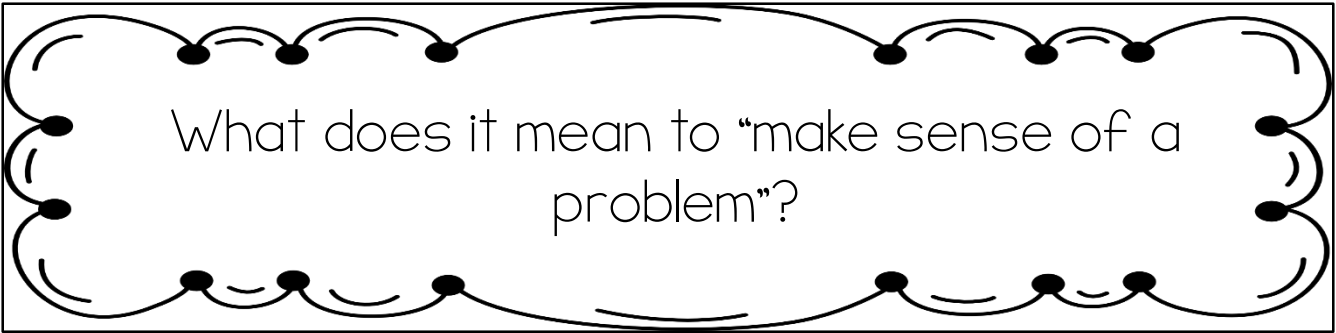


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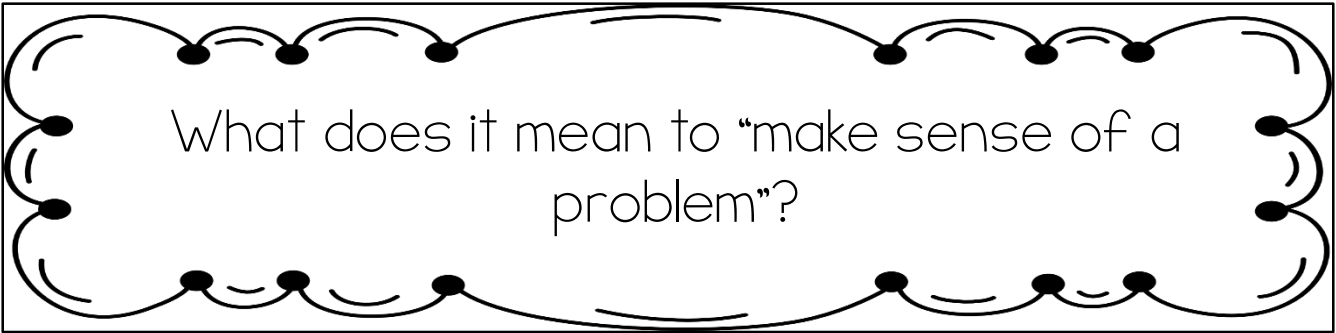


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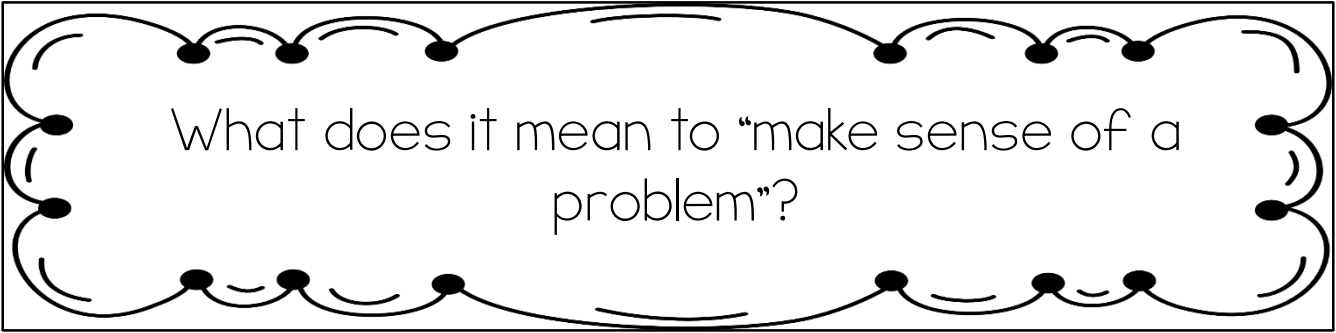




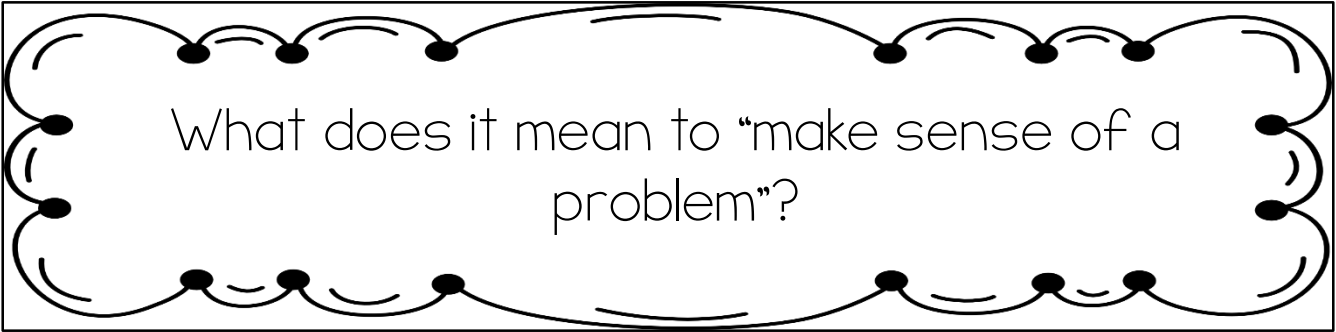
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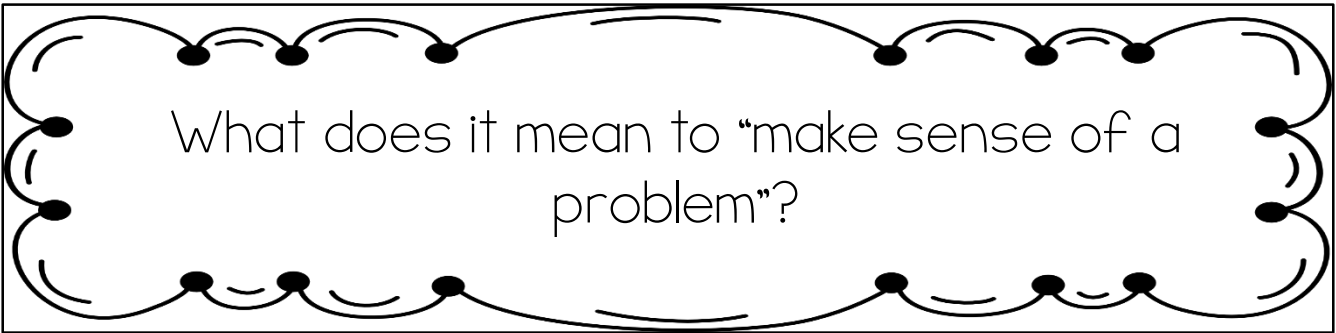
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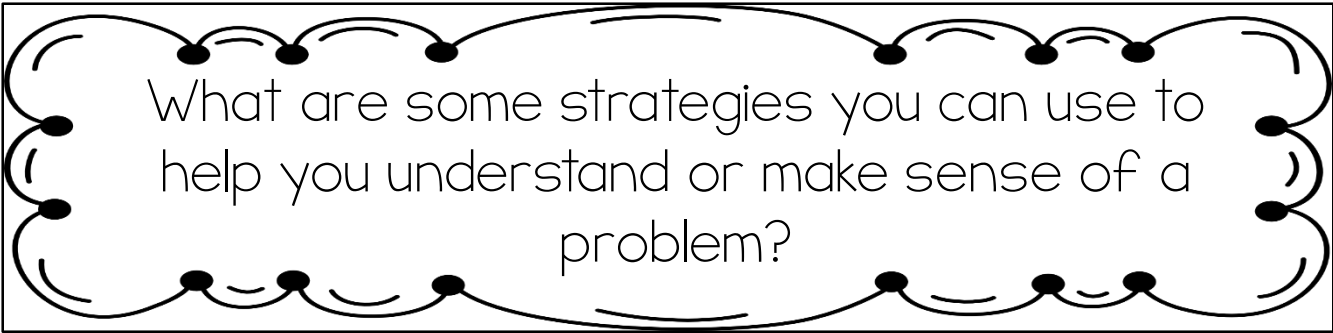


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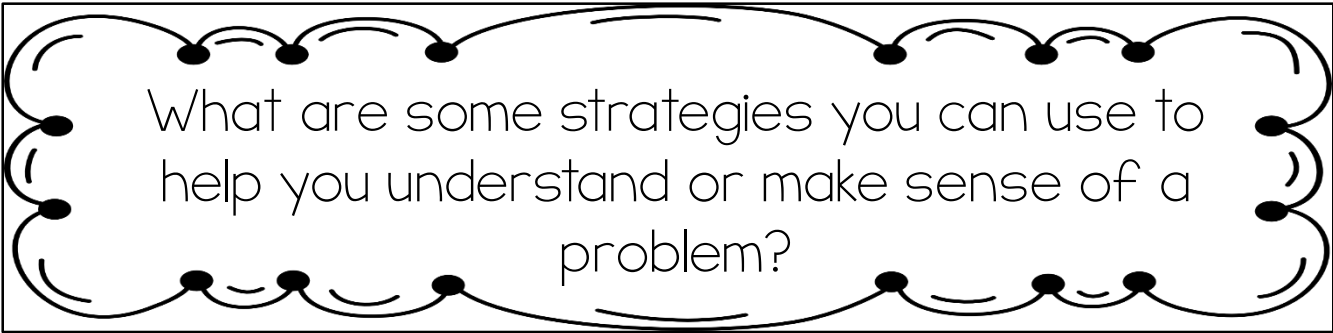


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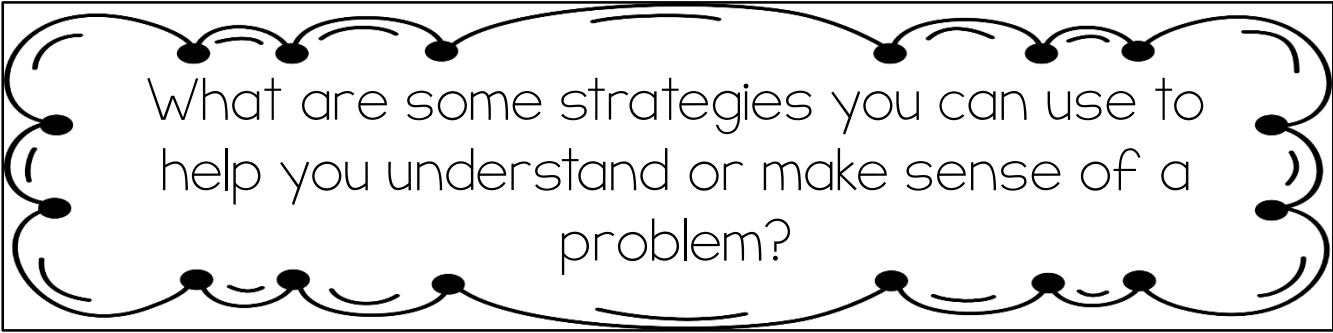




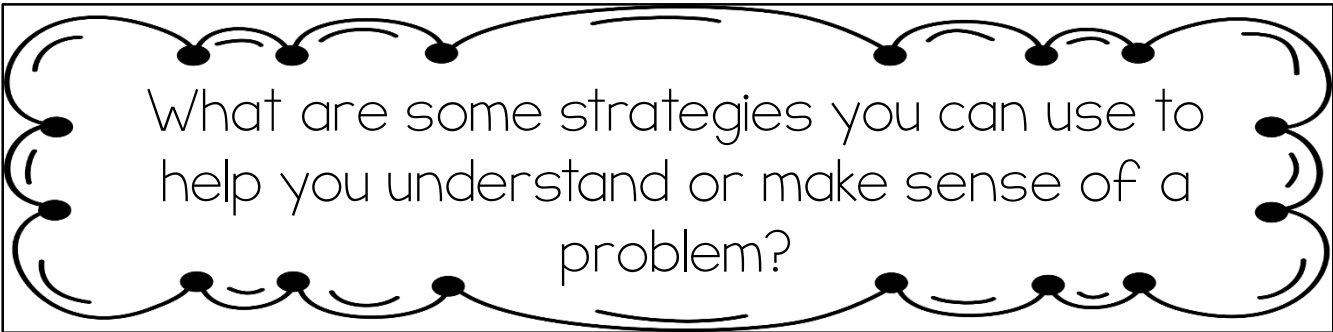
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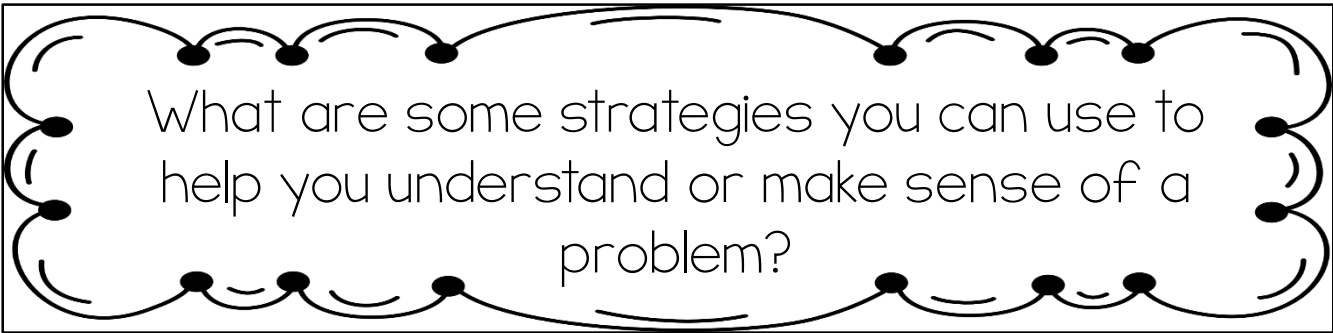
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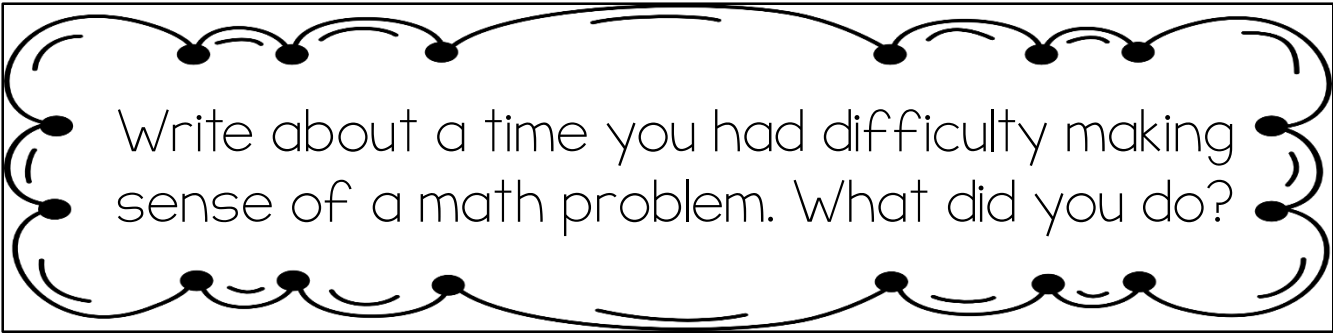
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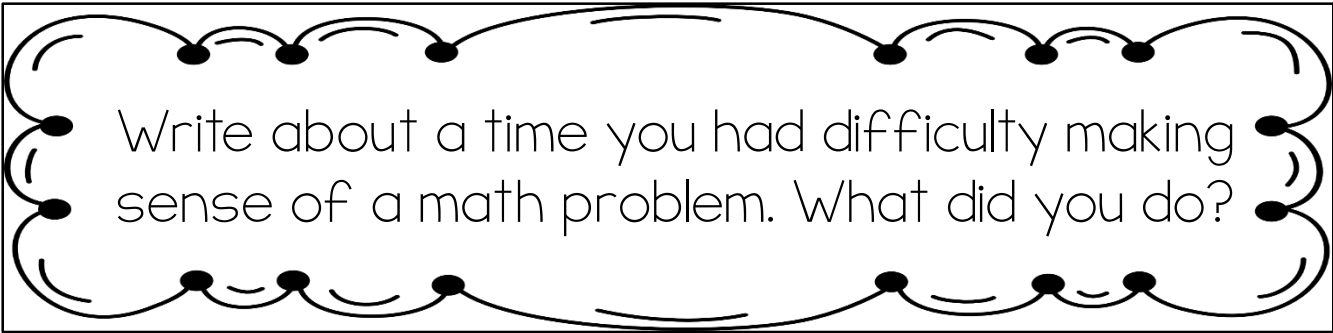
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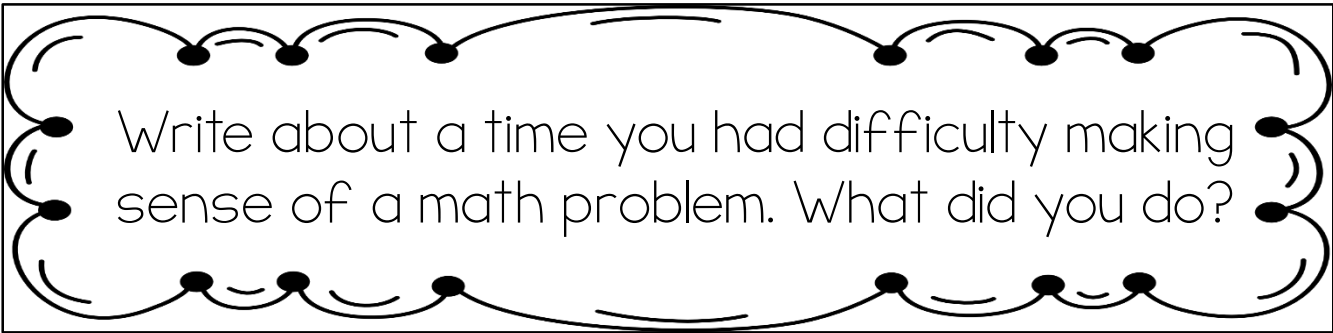




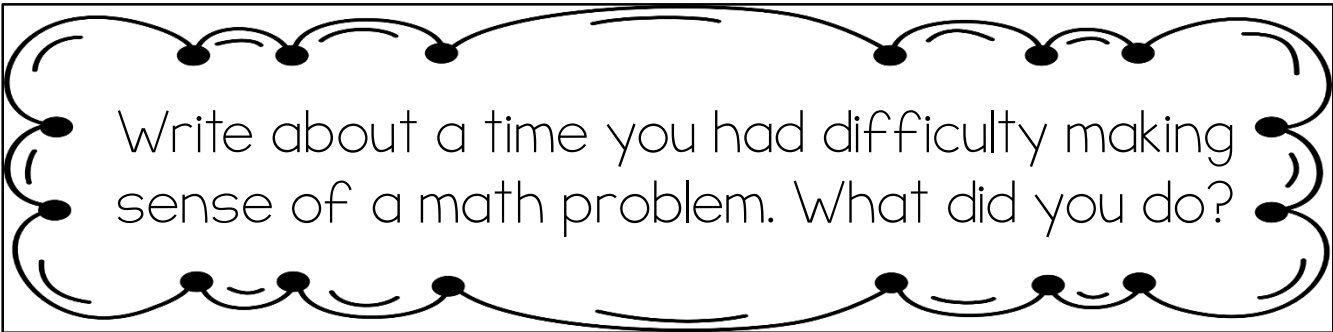
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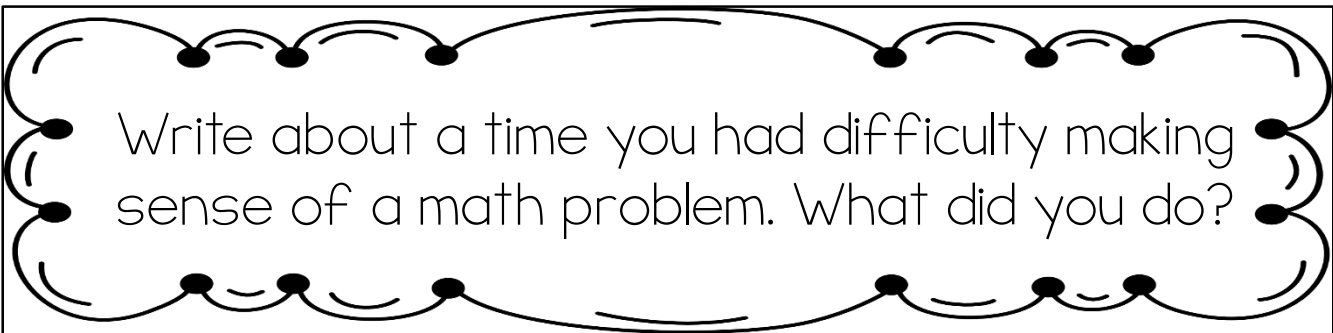
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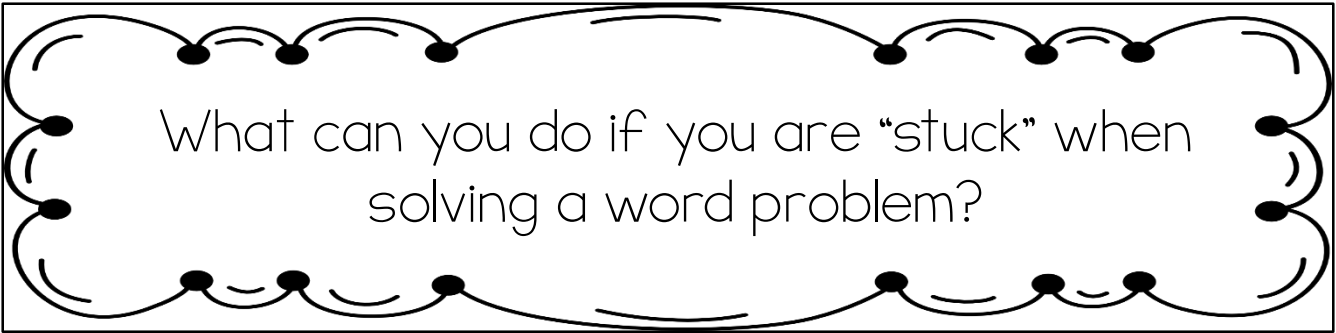
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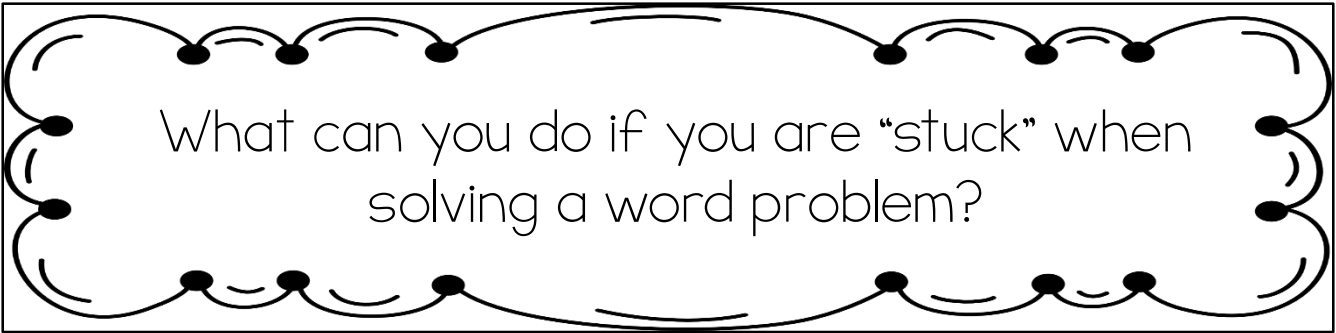
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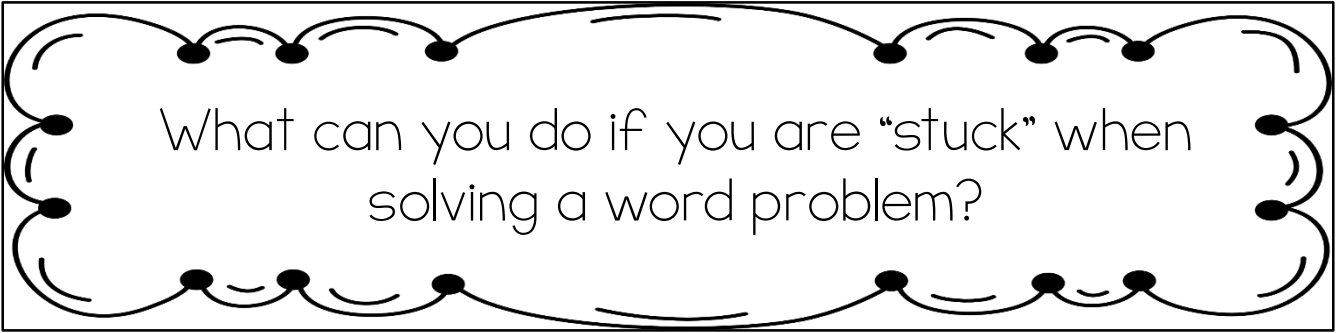




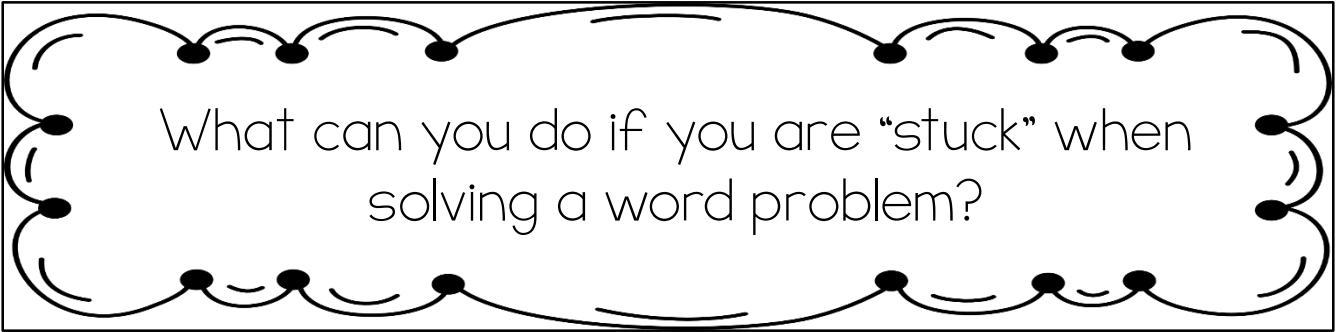
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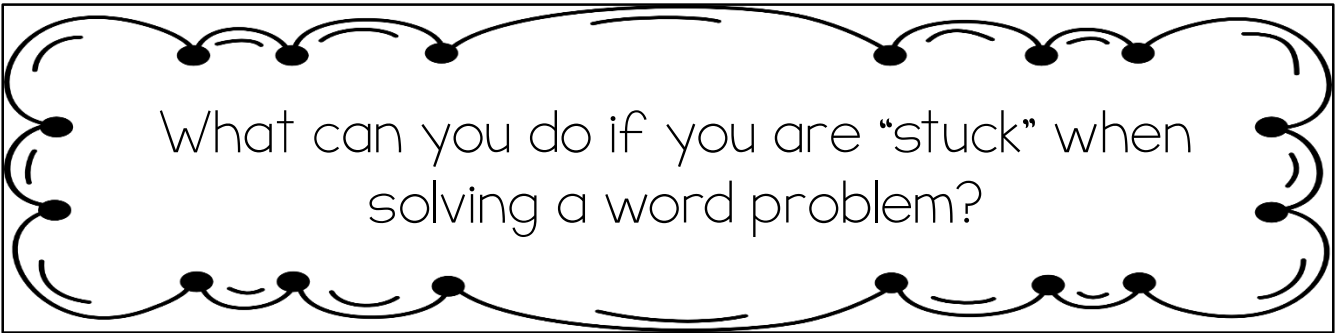
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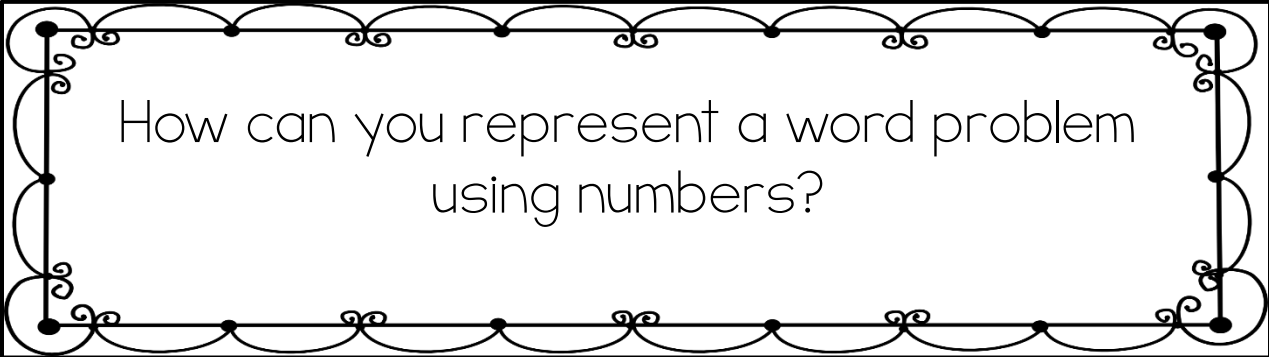
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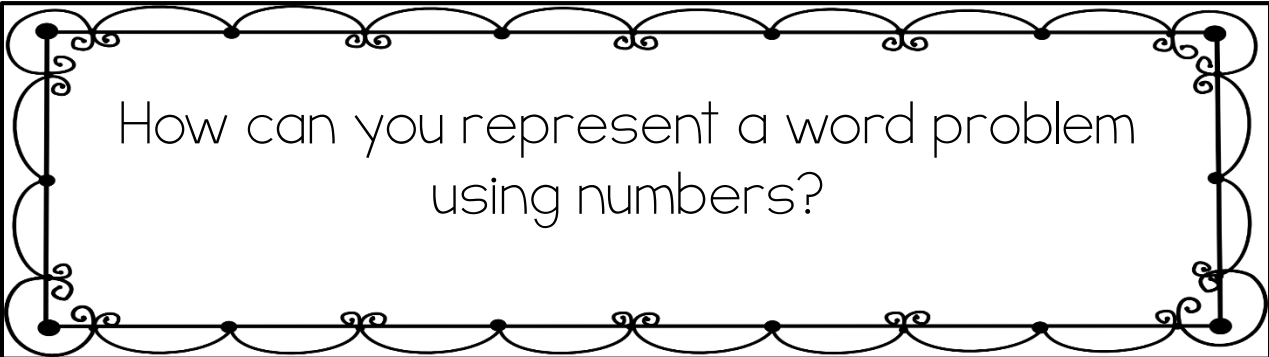
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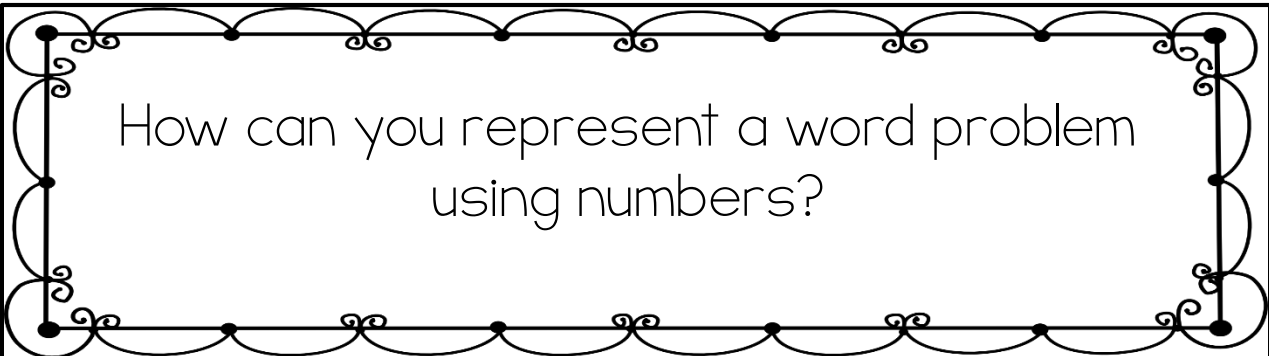
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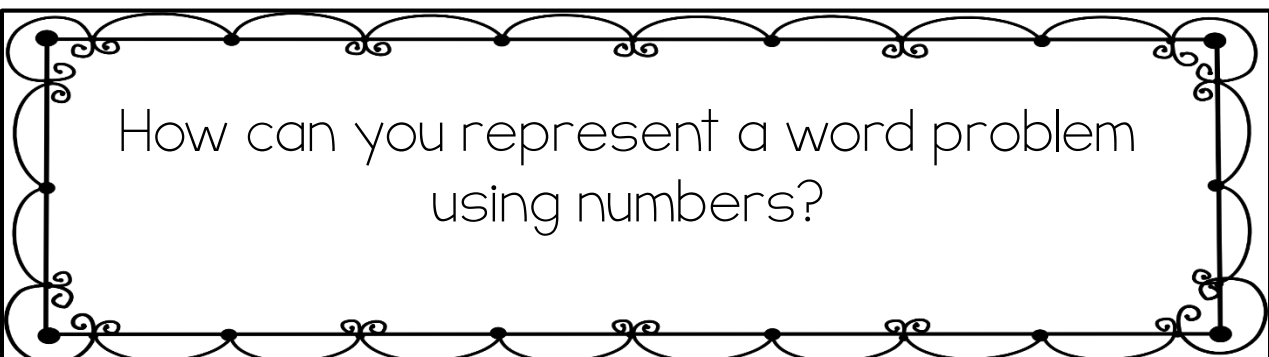
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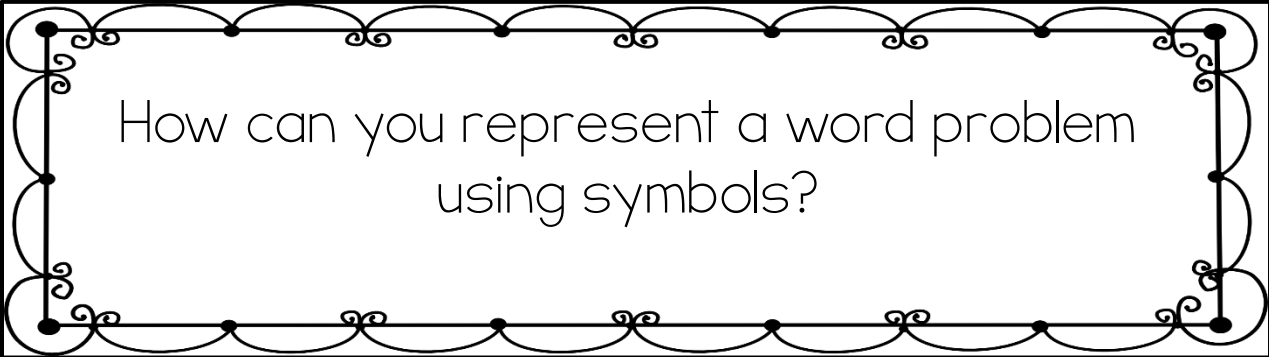


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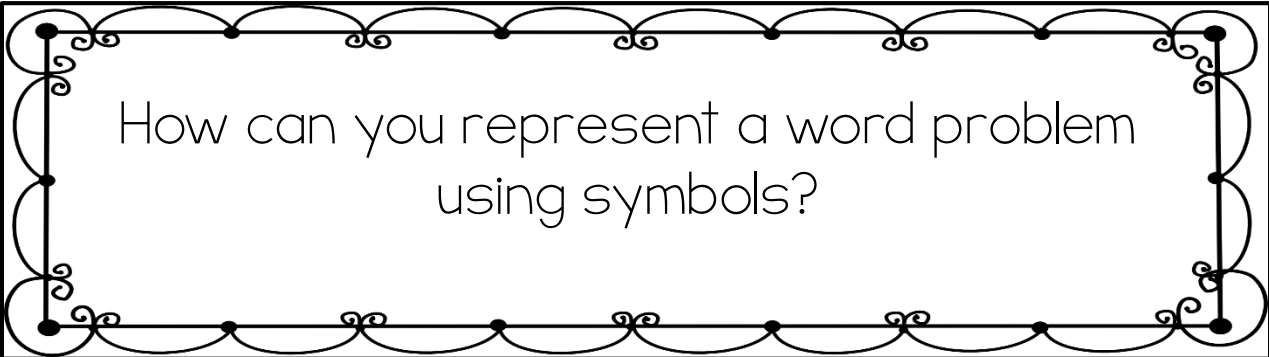


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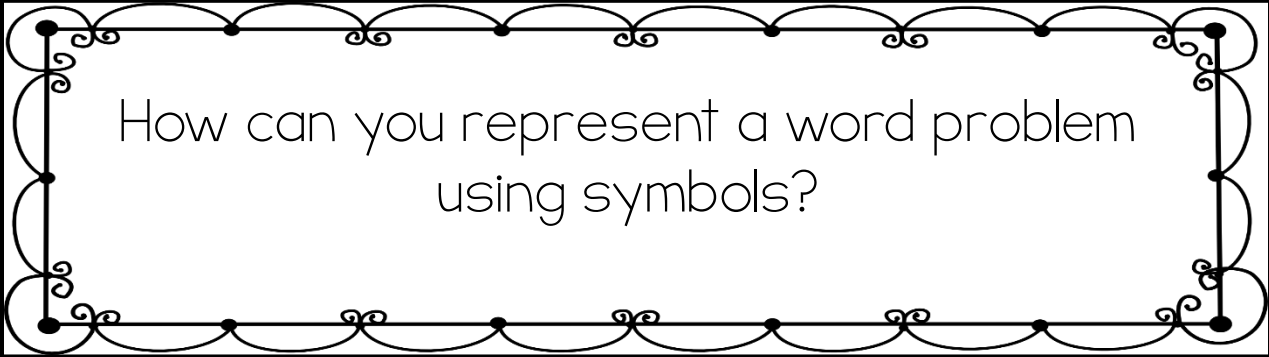




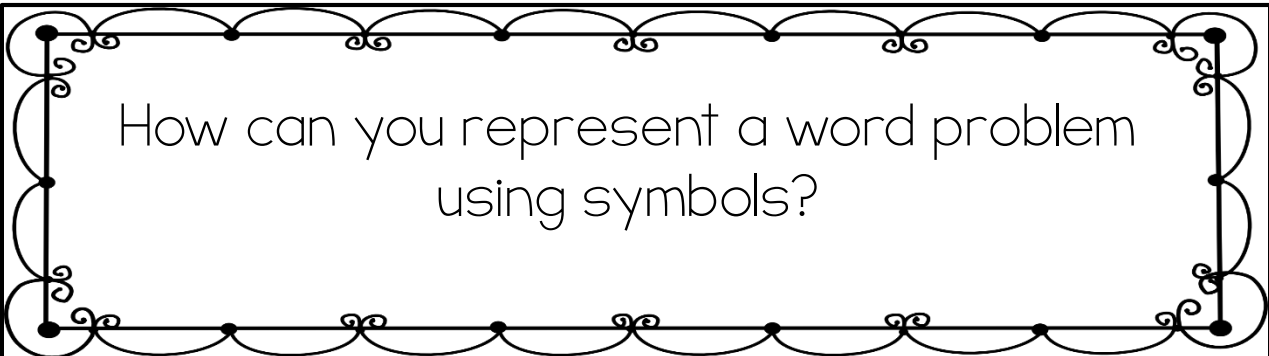
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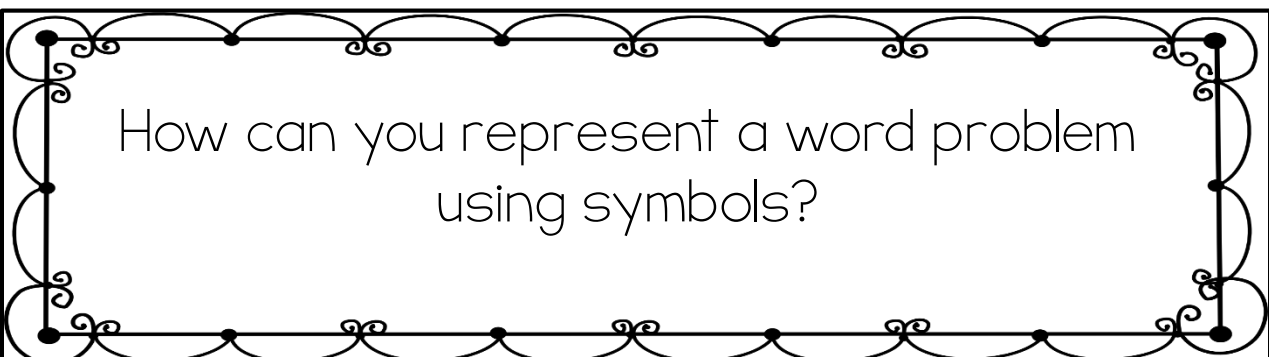
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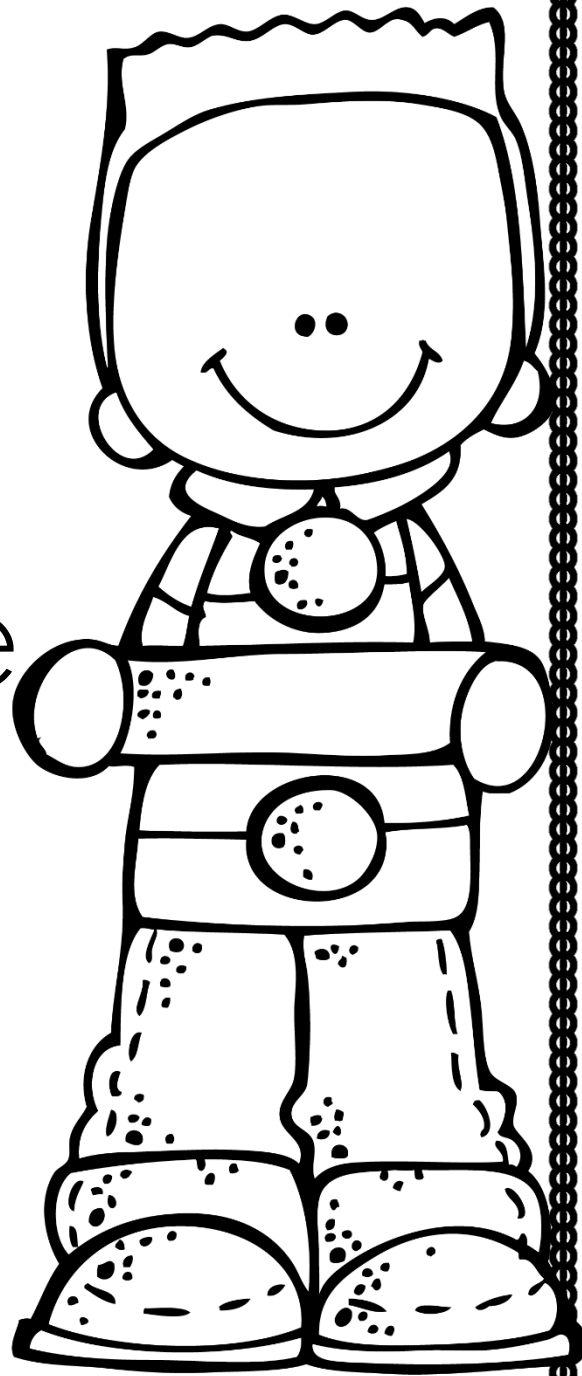
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CCSS.Math.Practice.MP3 Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.



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Do you think is important to be able to discuss math problems with others?  
Why or why?

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How can discussing math problems with peers help your understanding of math?

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When listening to others share their mathematical ideas, how do you decide if it makes sense?

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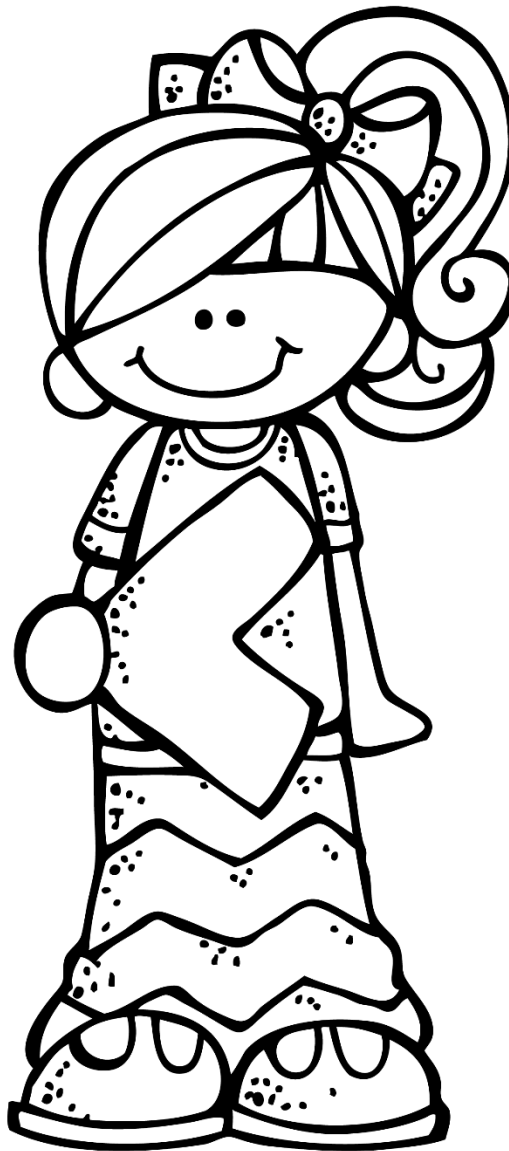
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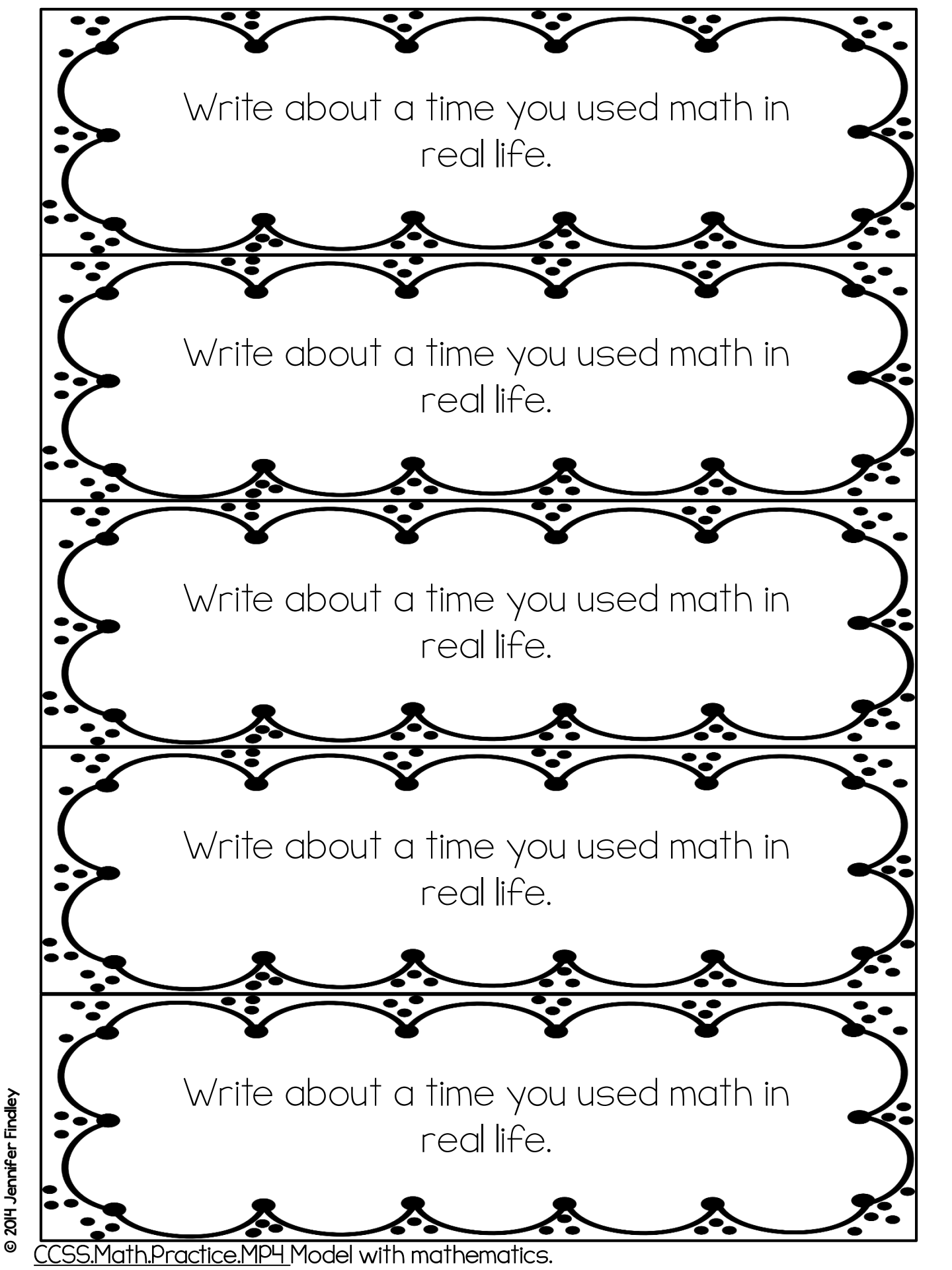
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I can model  
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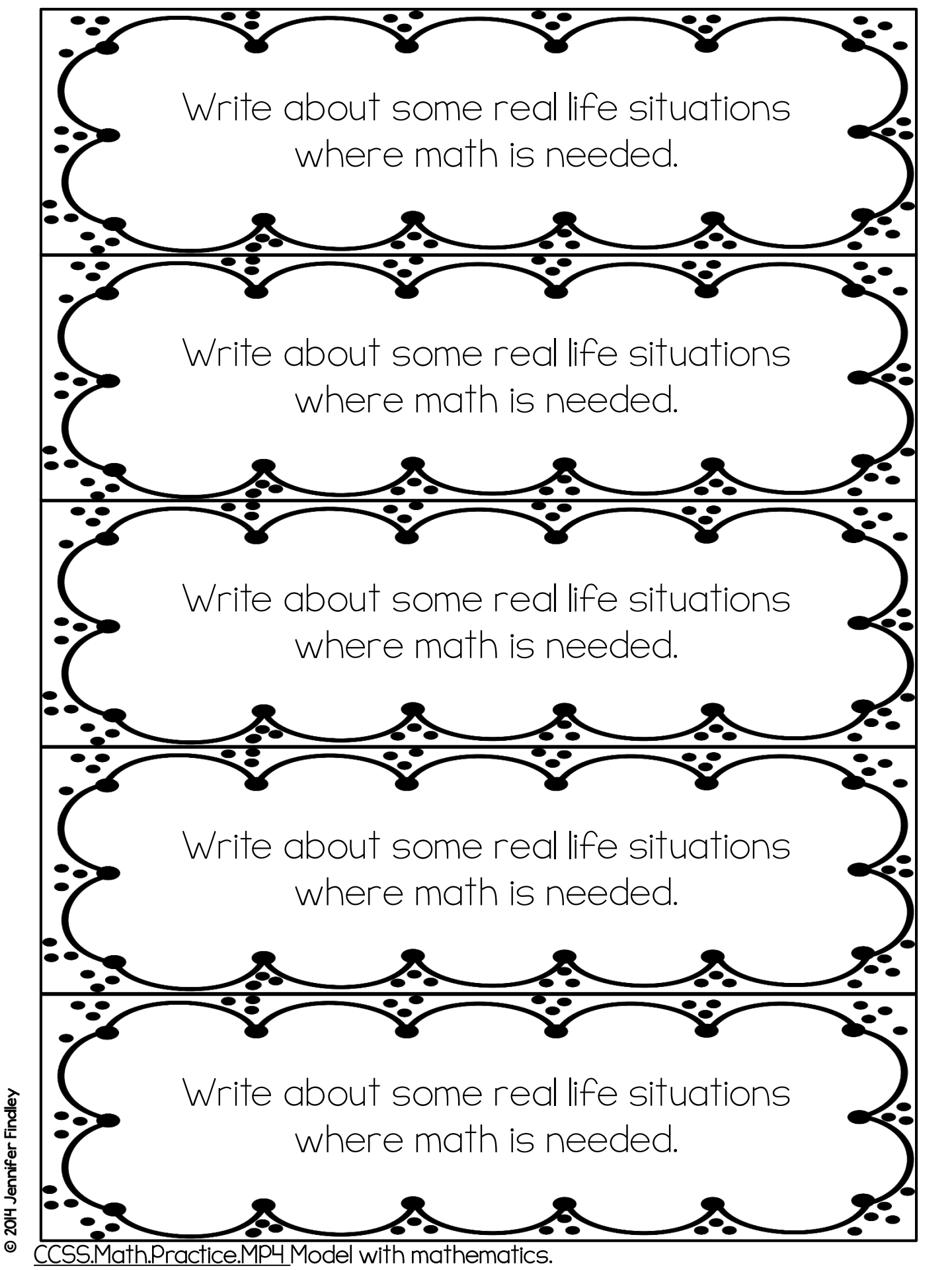
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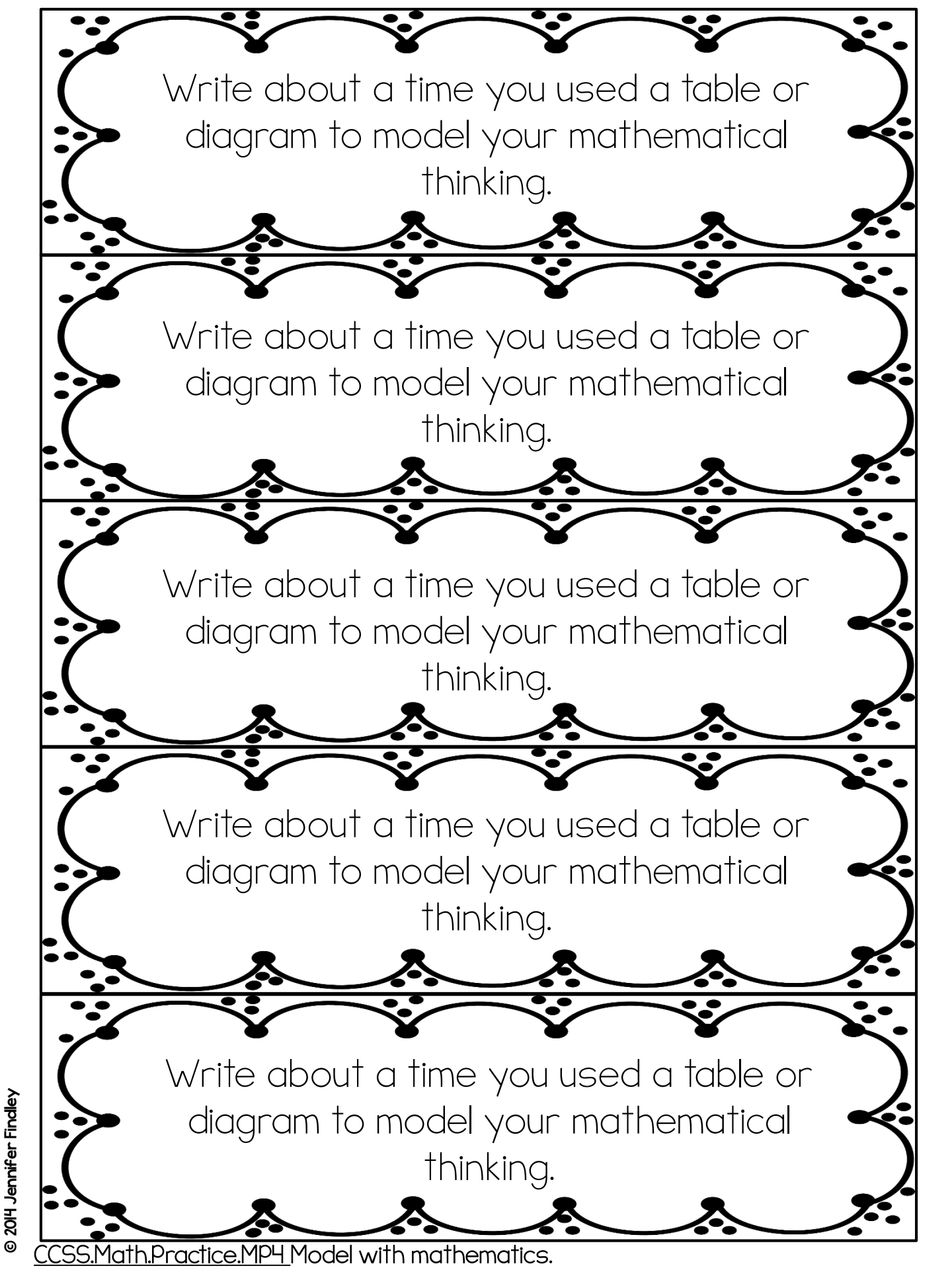
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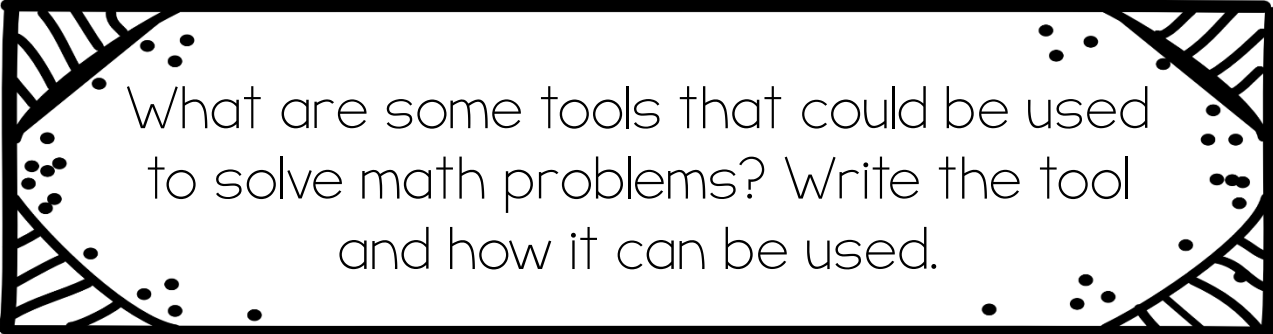
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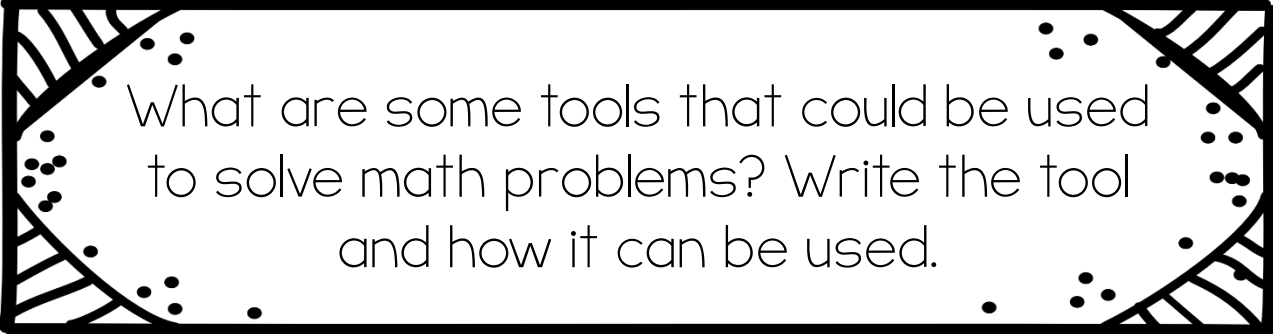


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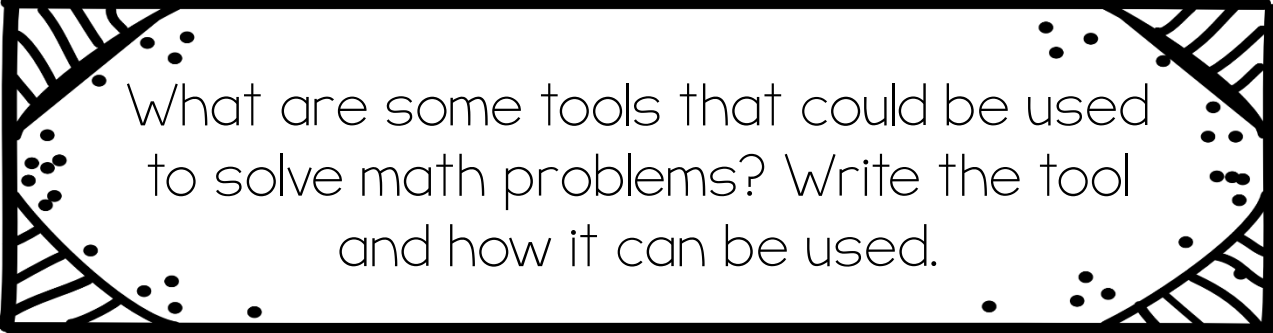




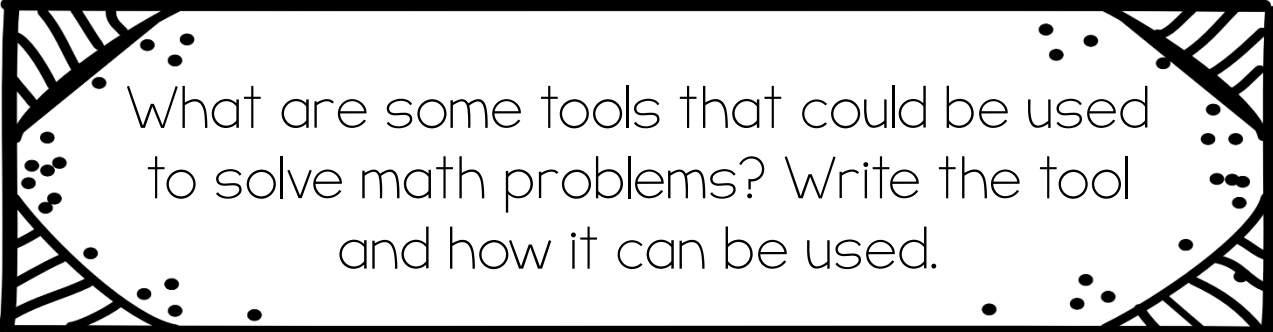
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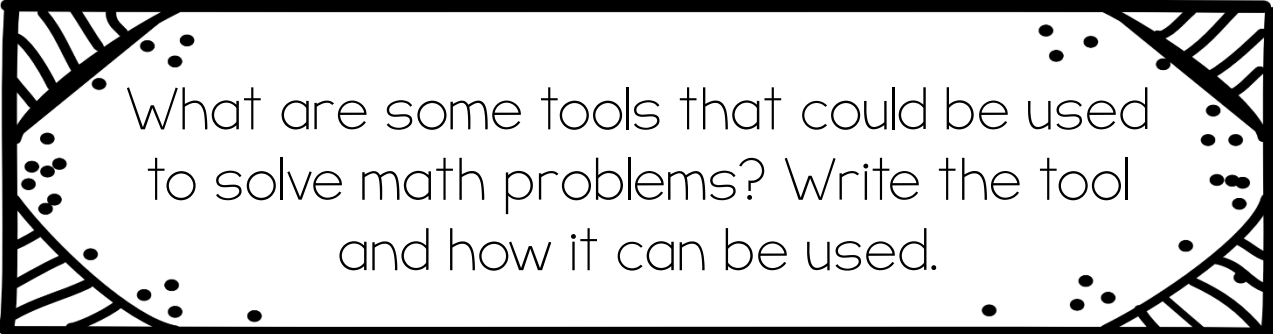
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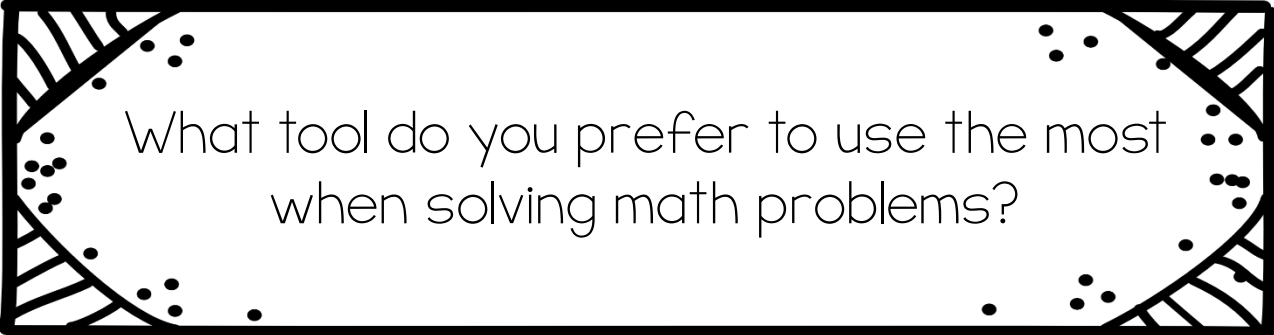
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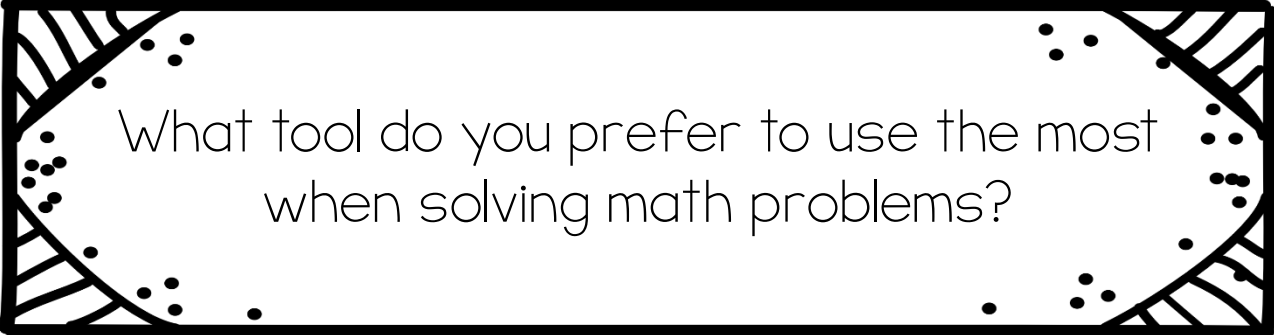
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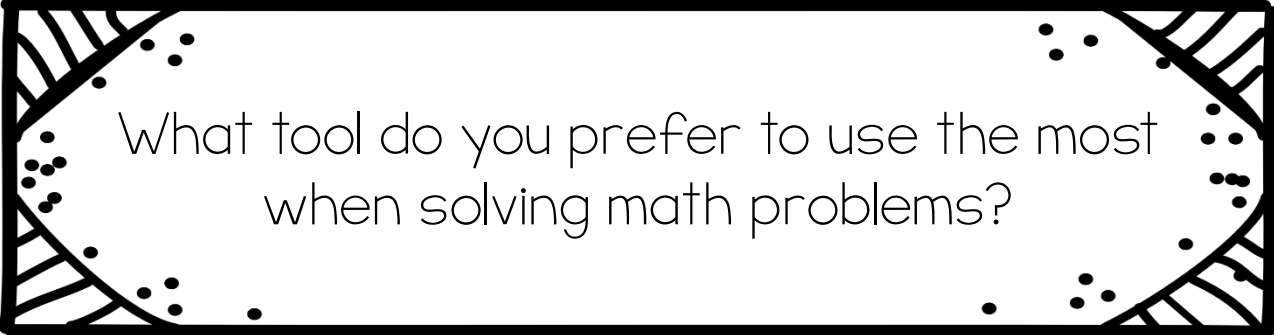




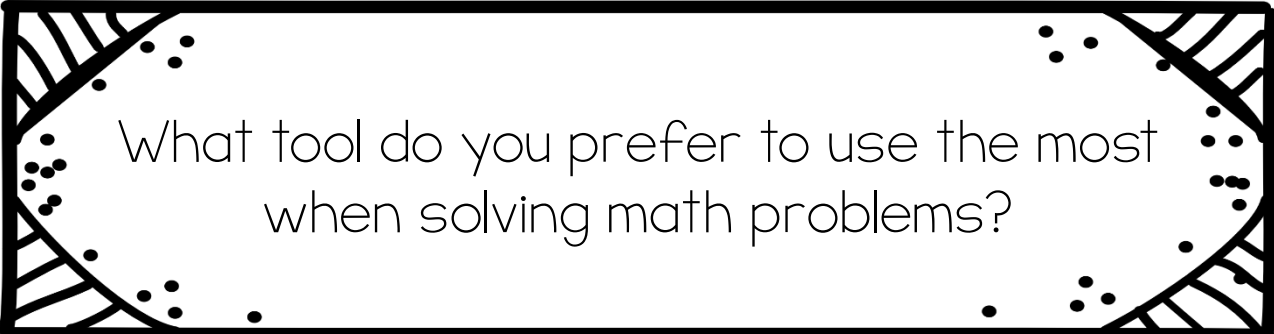
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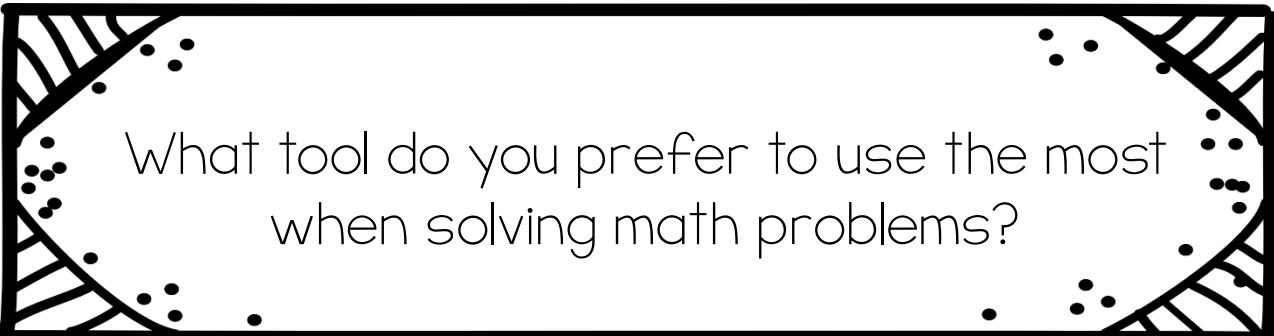
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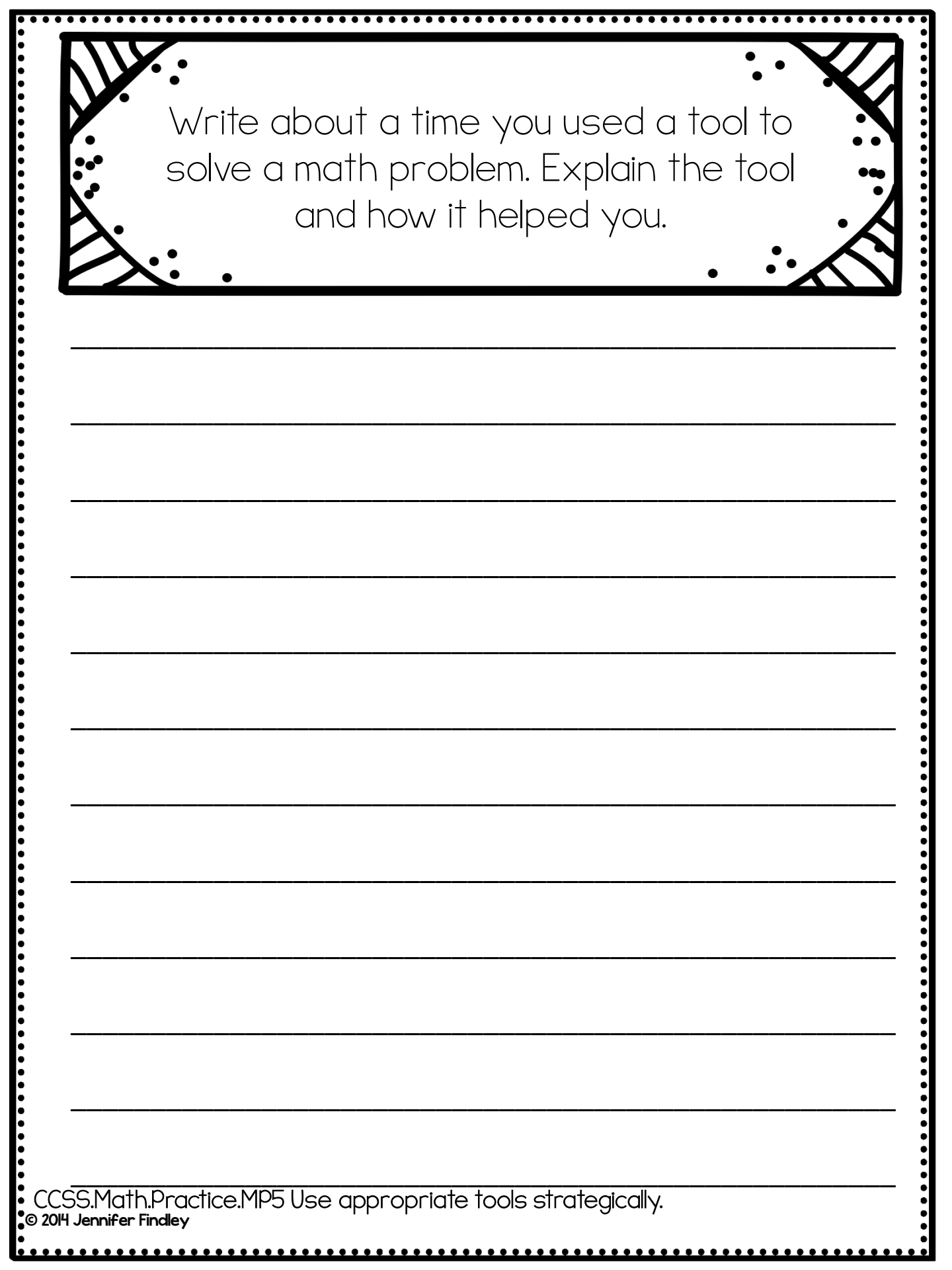
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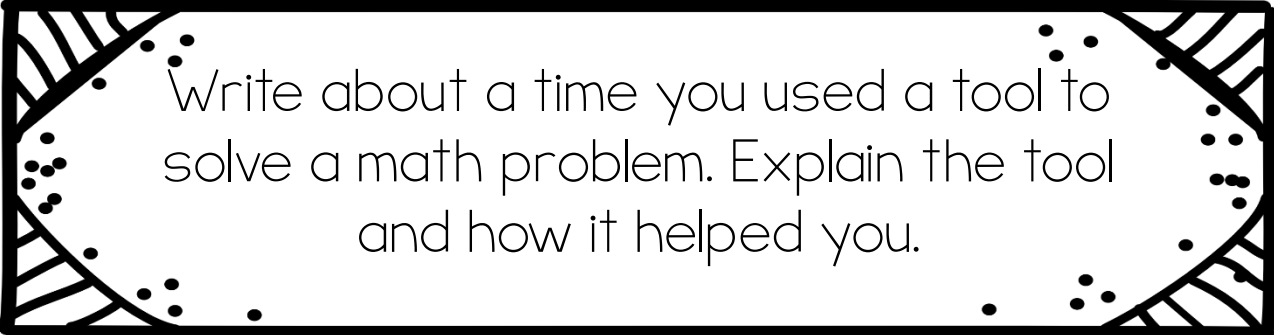
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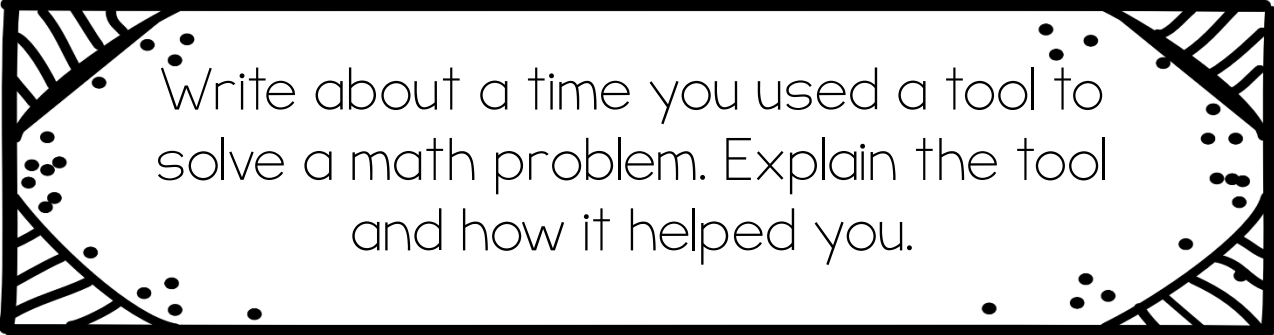
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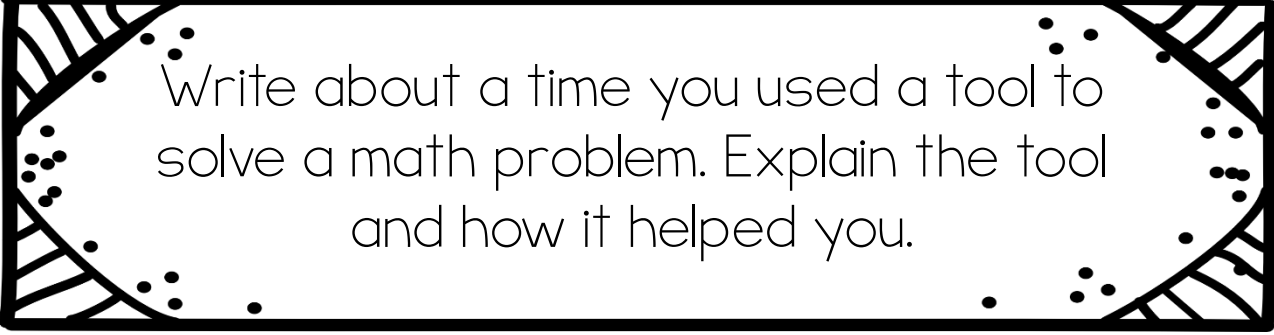
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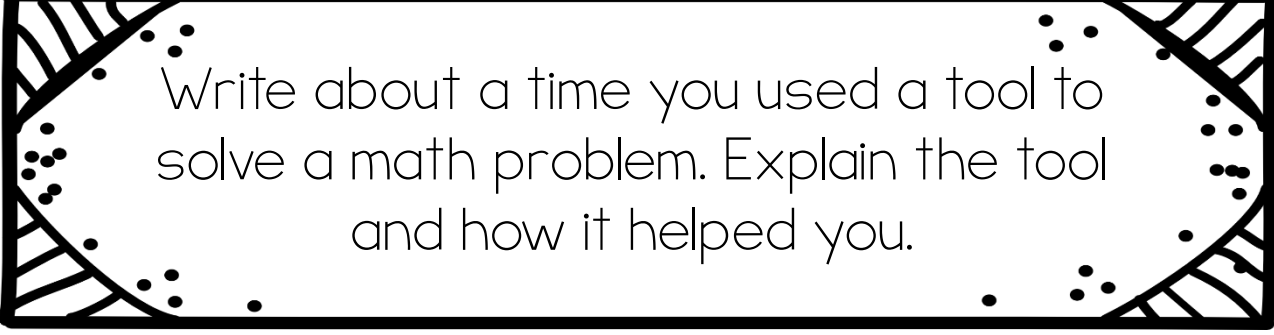
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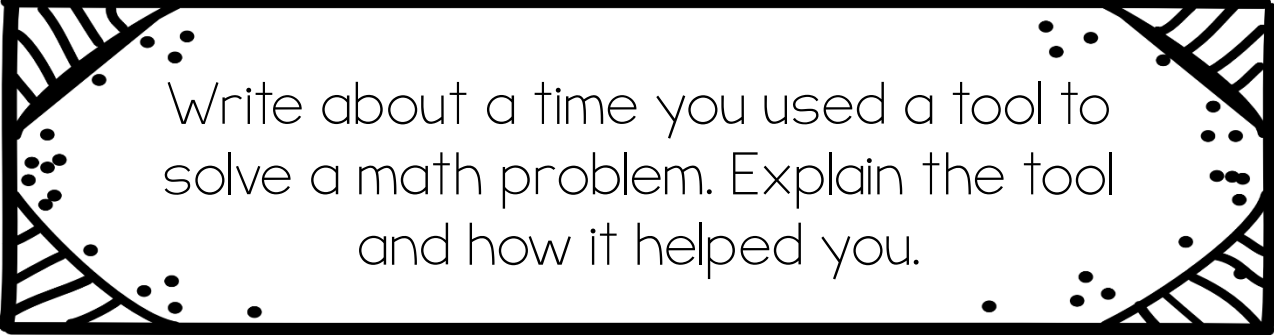
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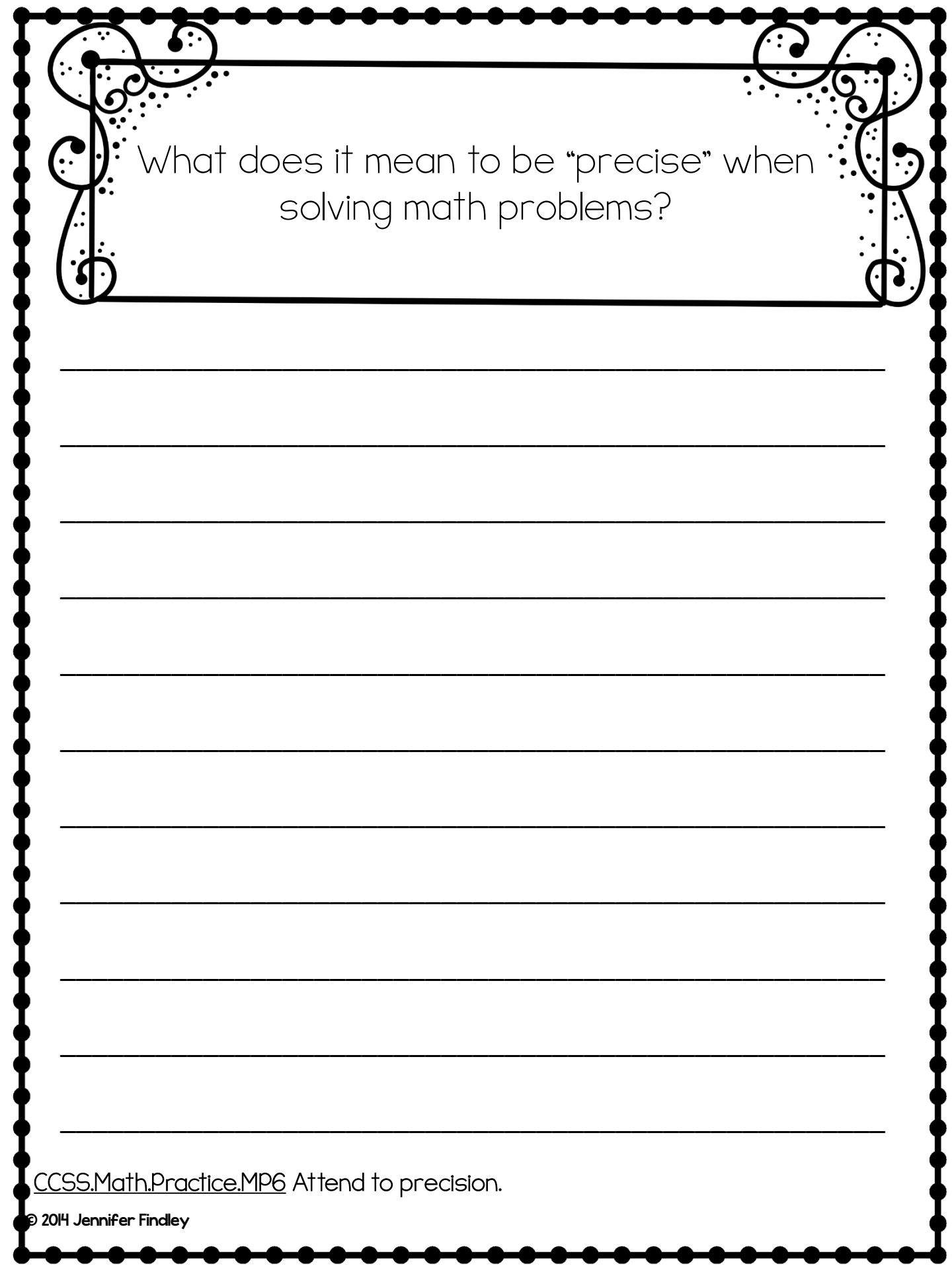


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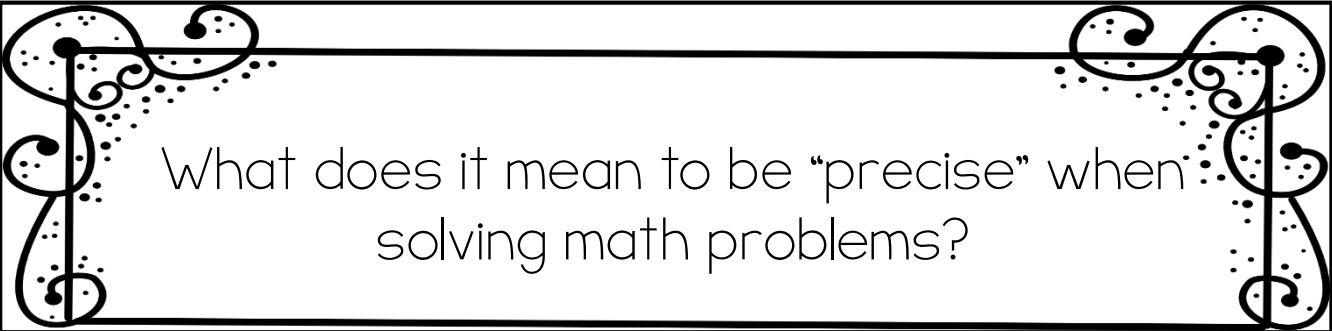
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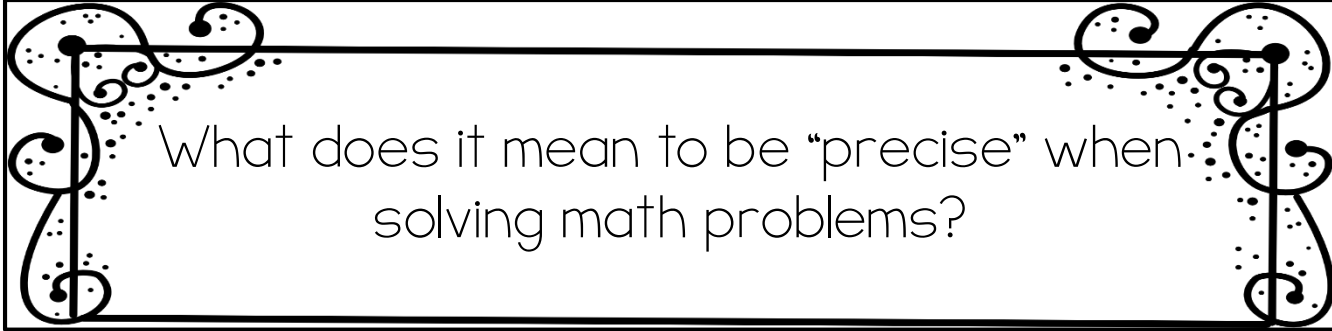
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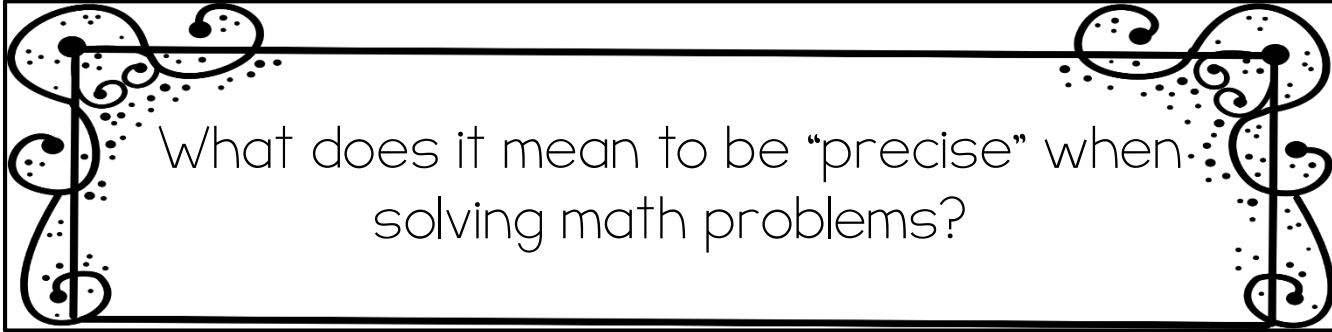
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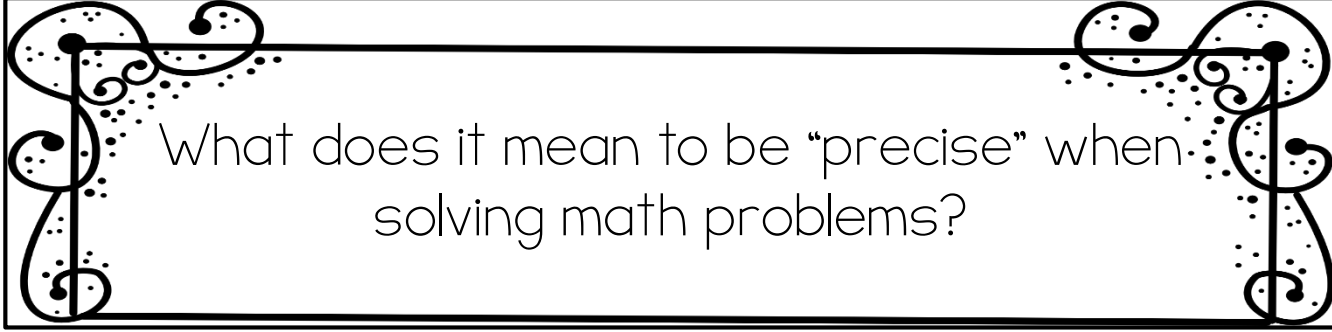
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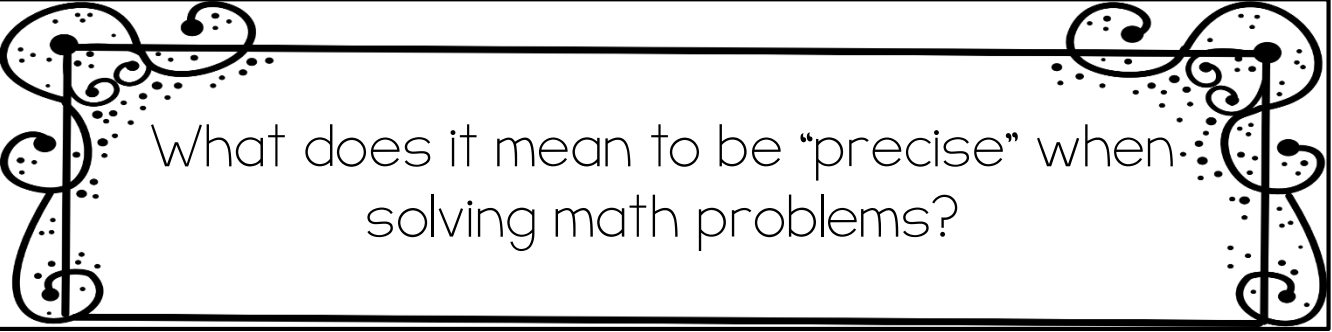
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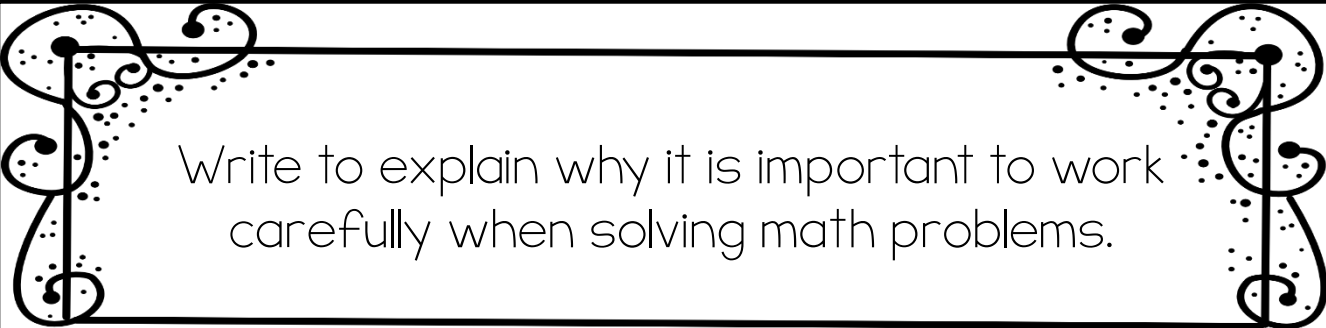


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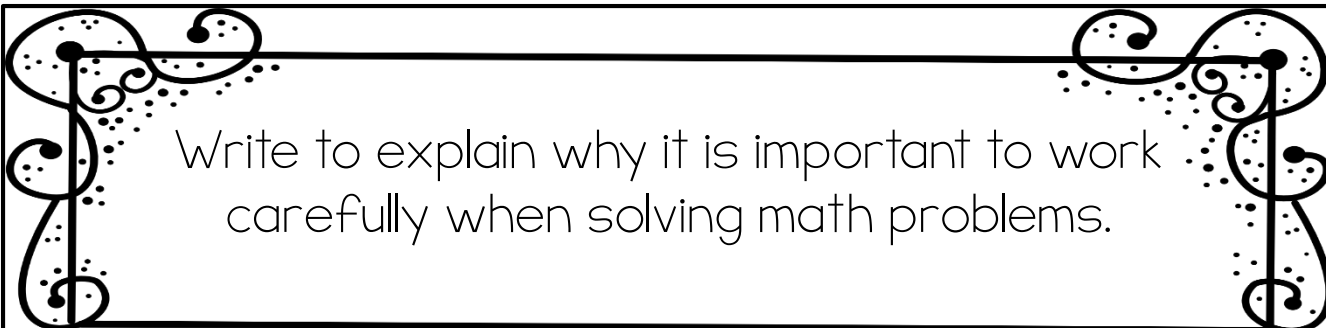


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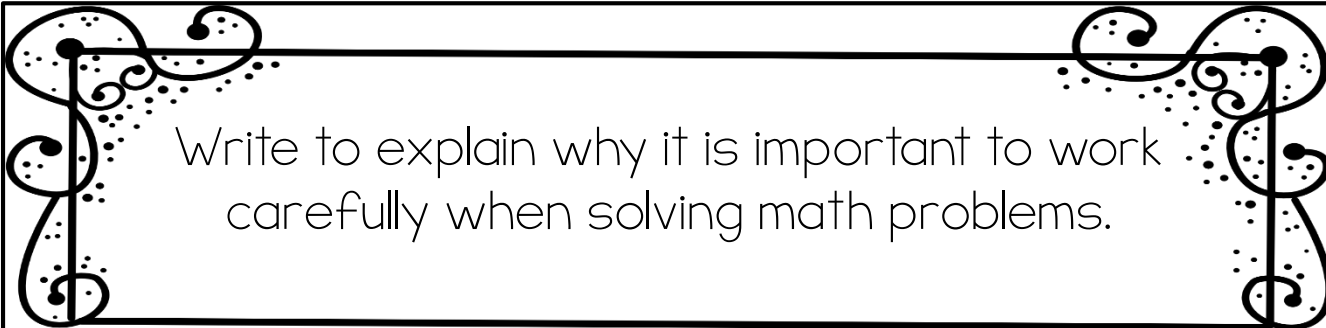




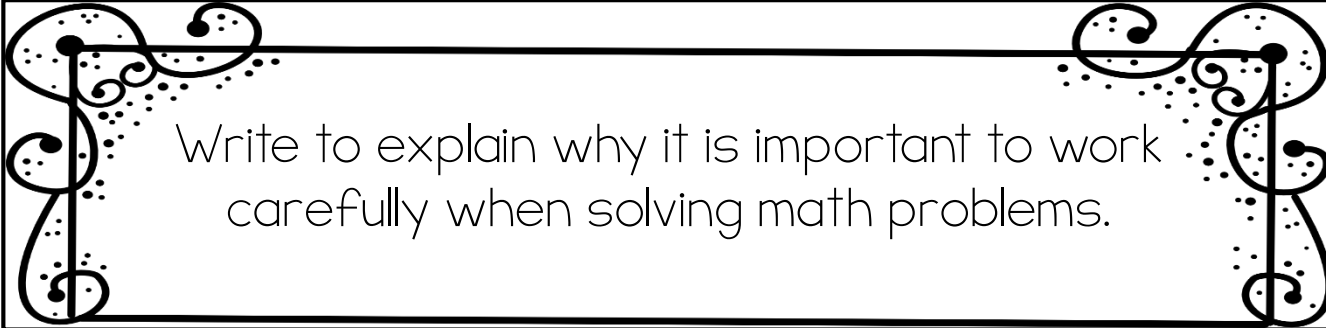
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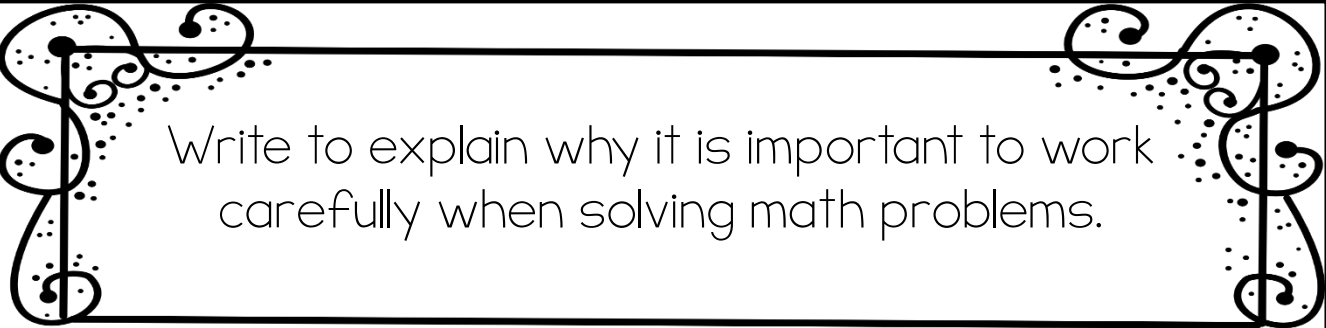
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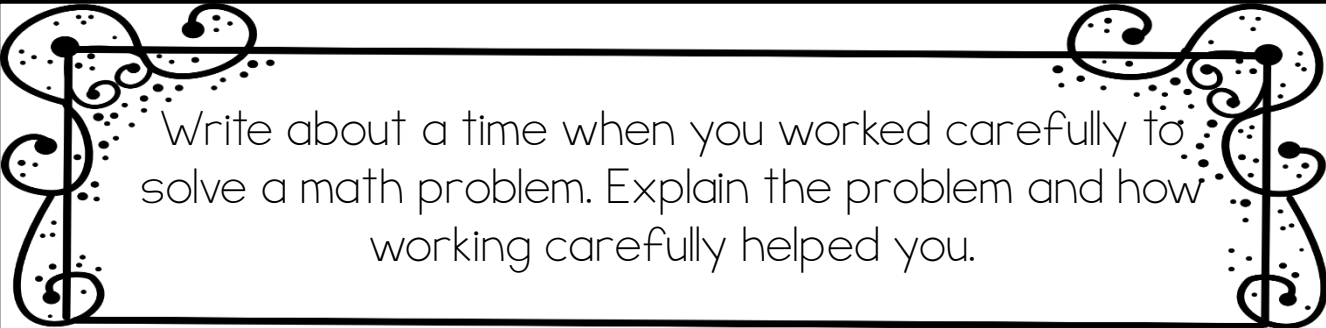
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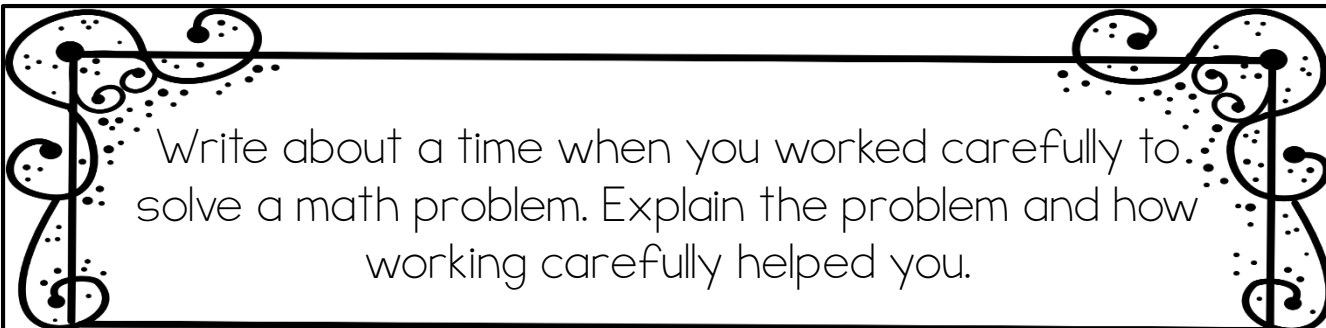
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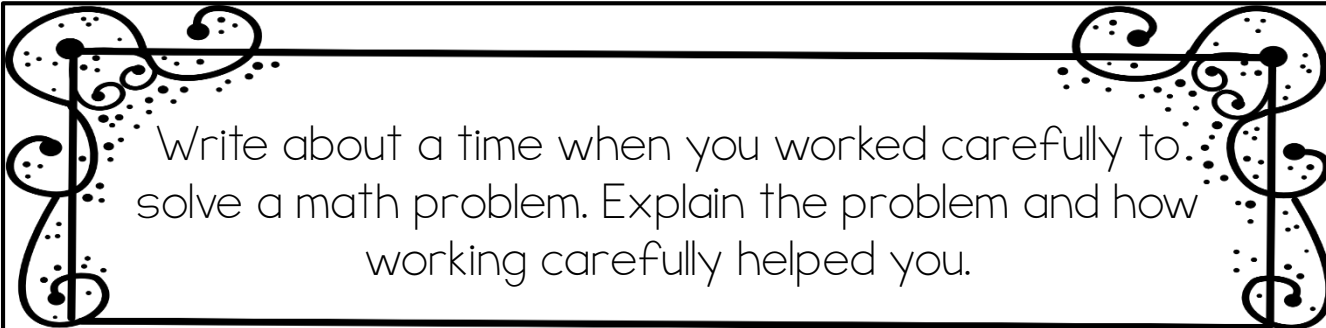
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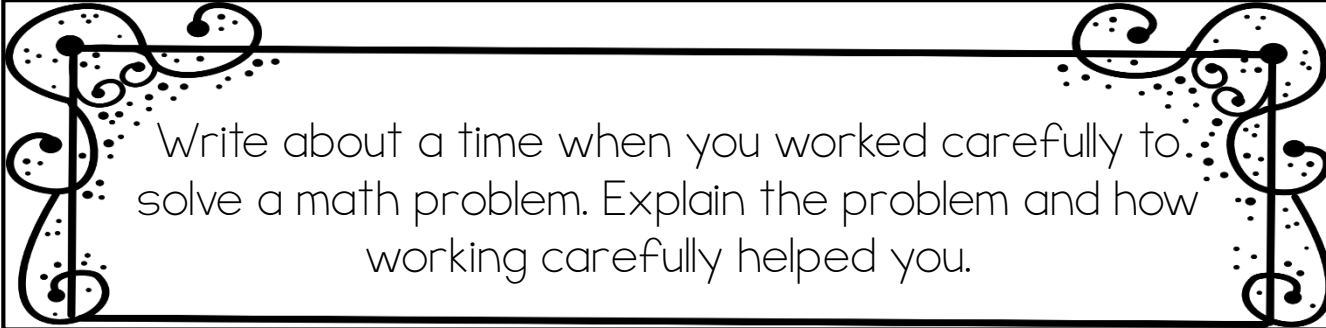
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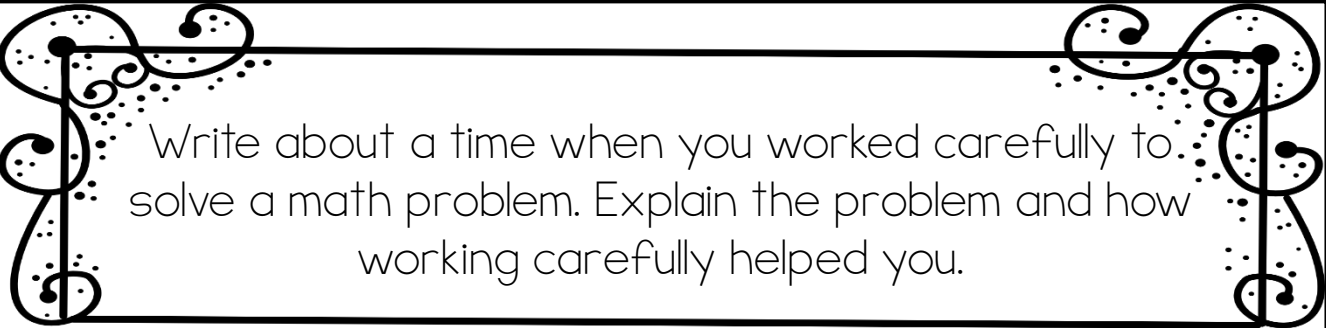
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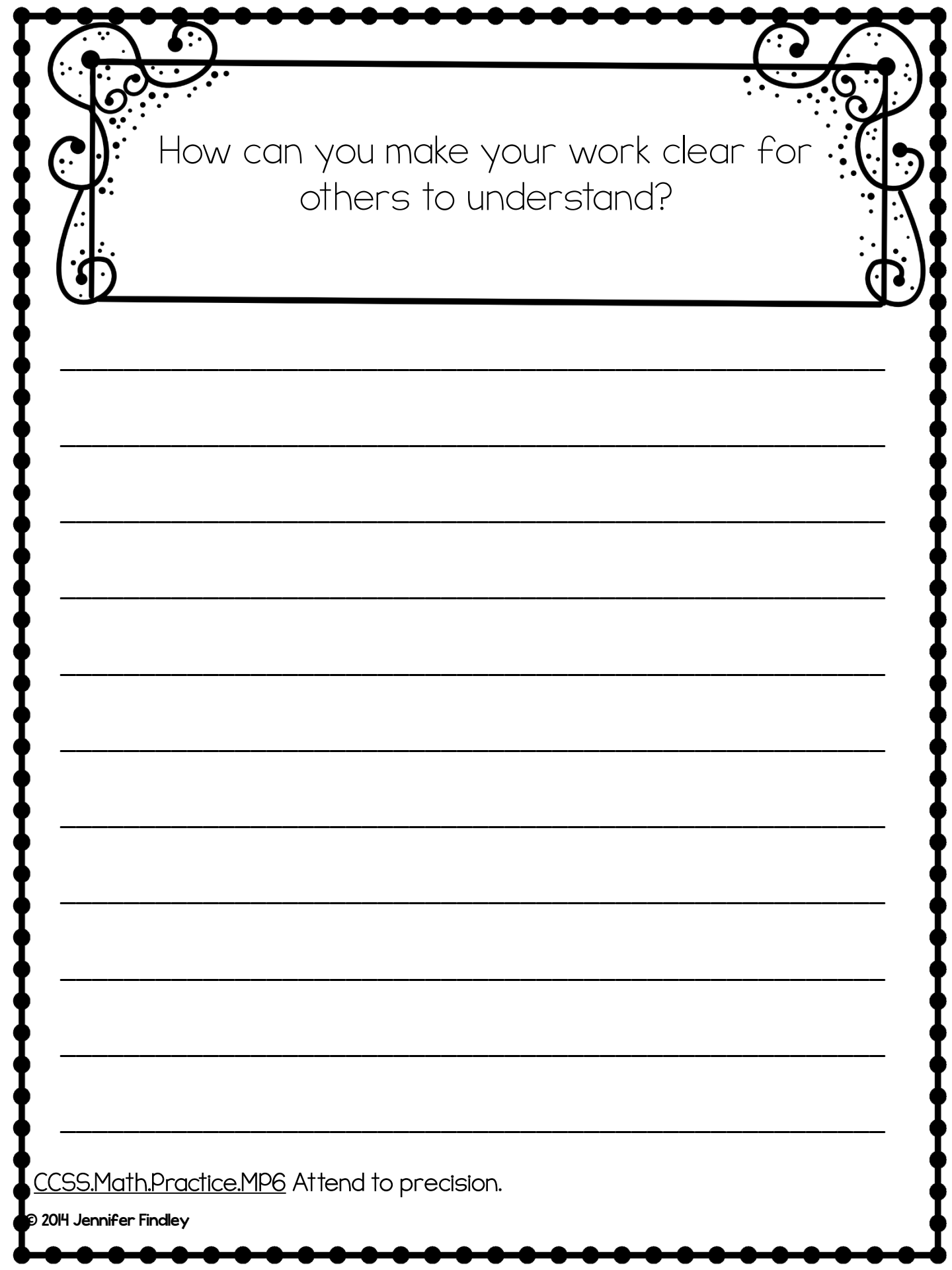
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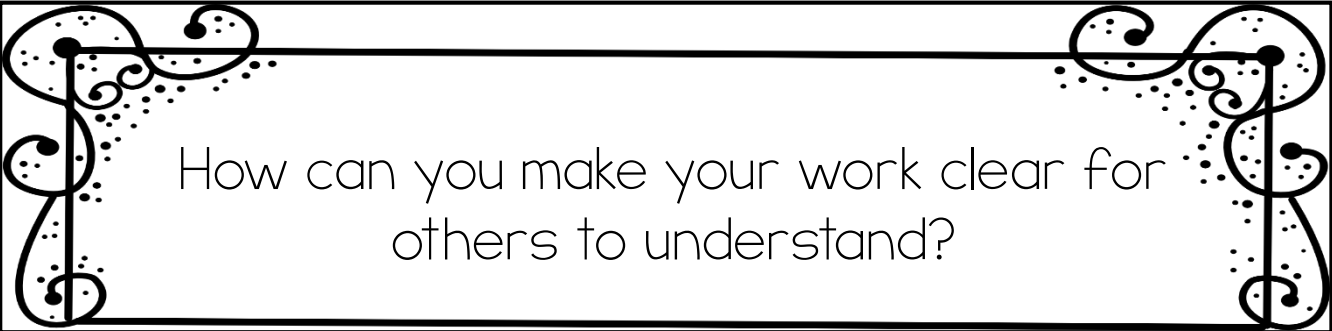
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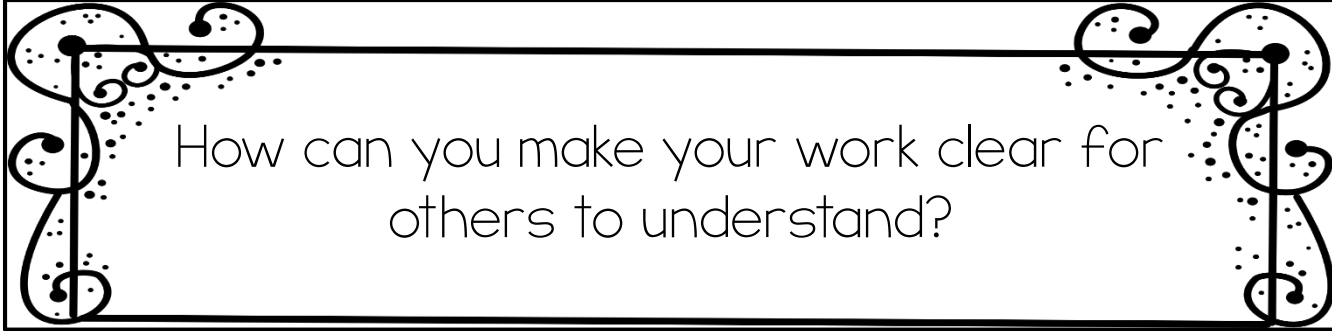
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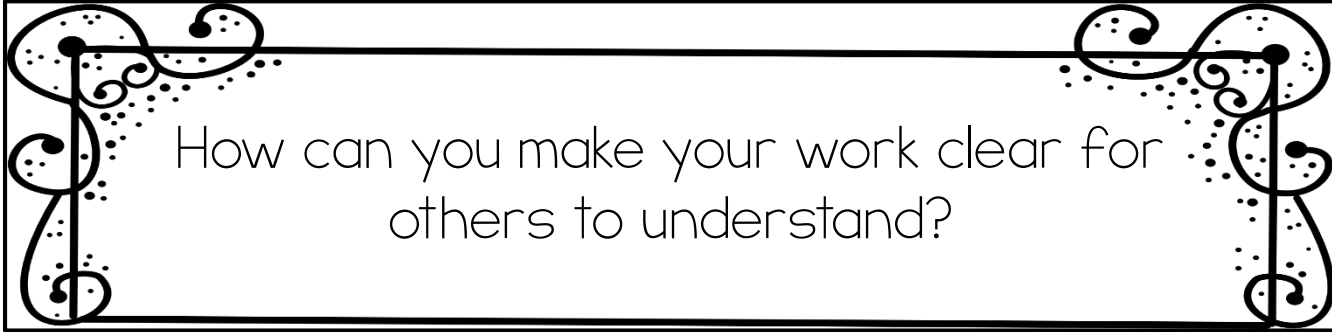




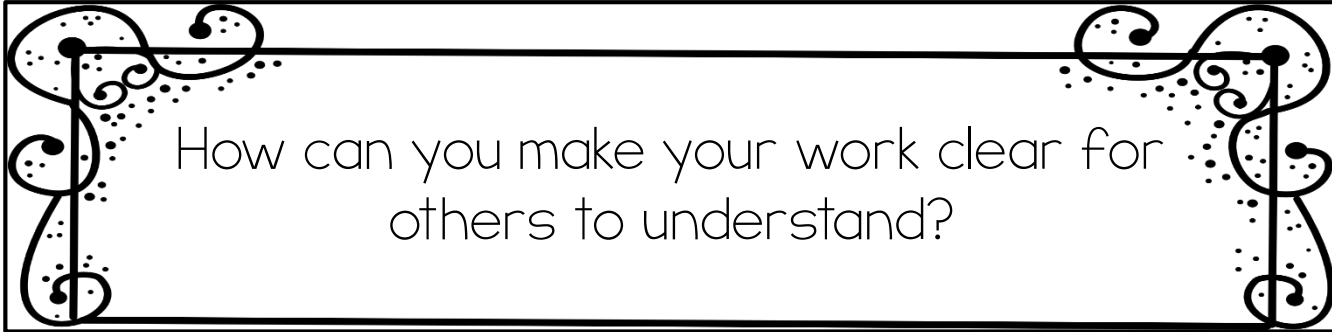
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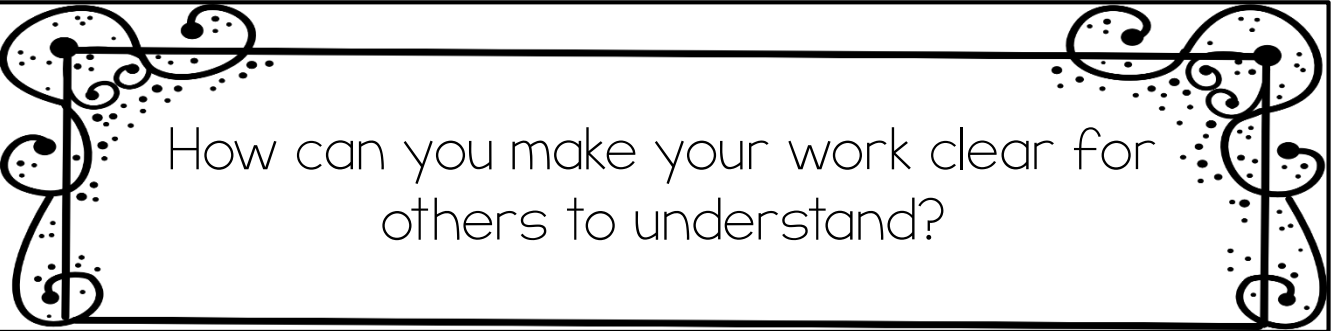
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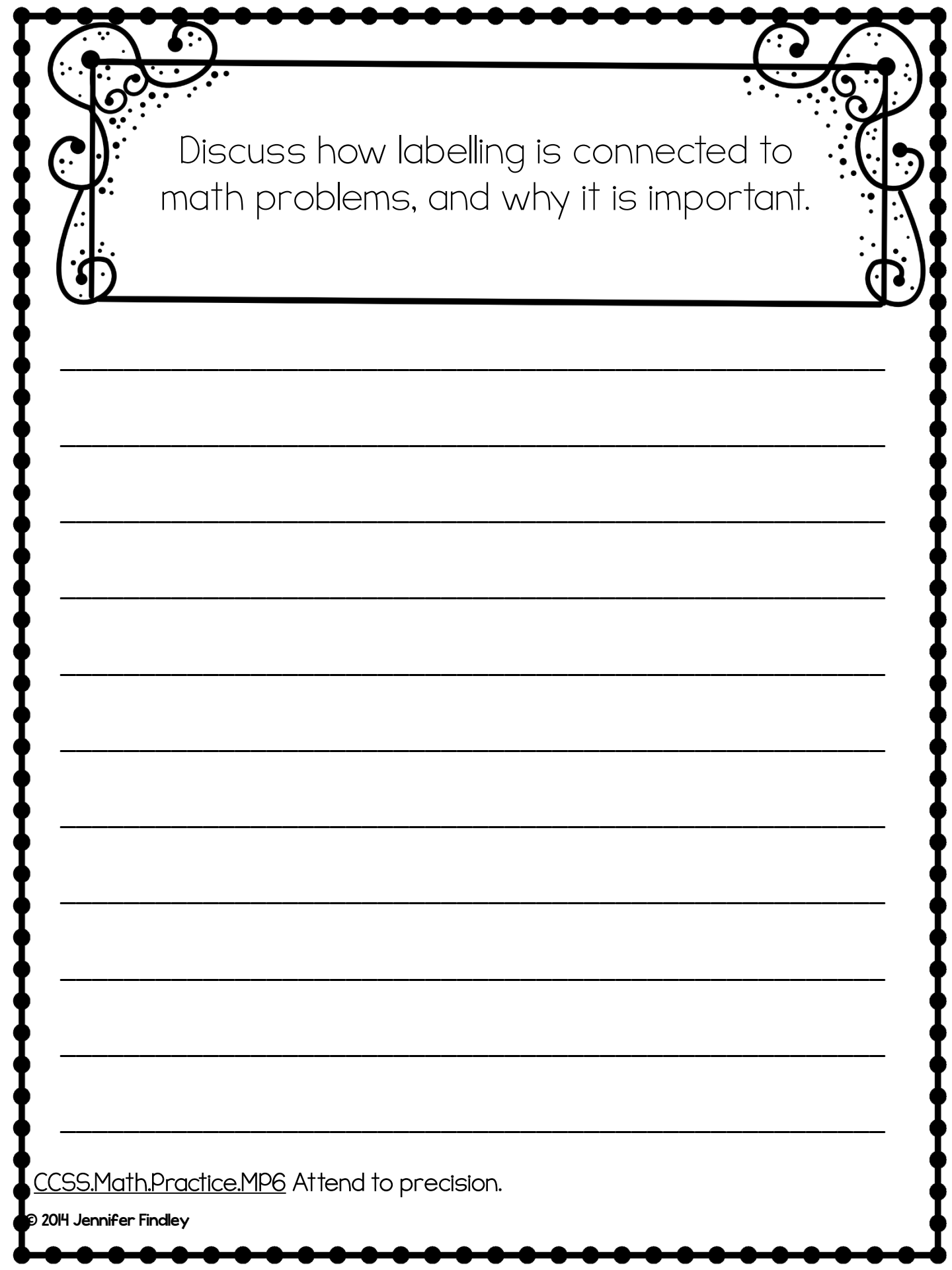
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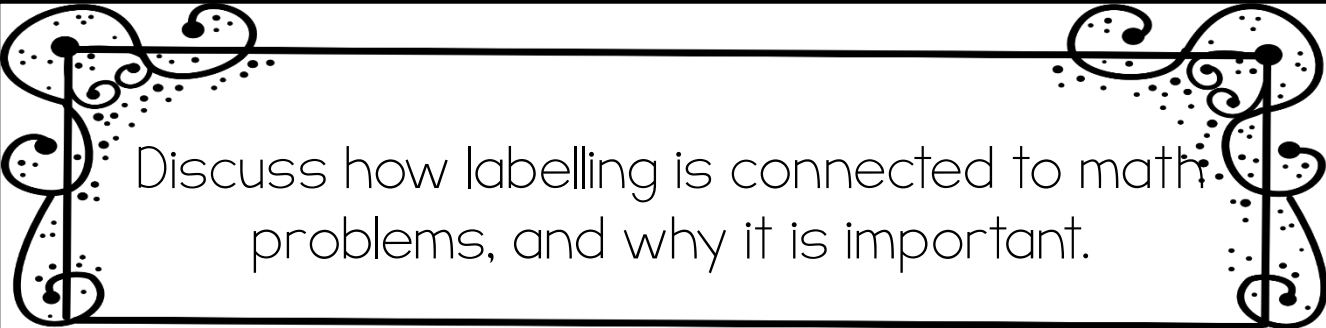
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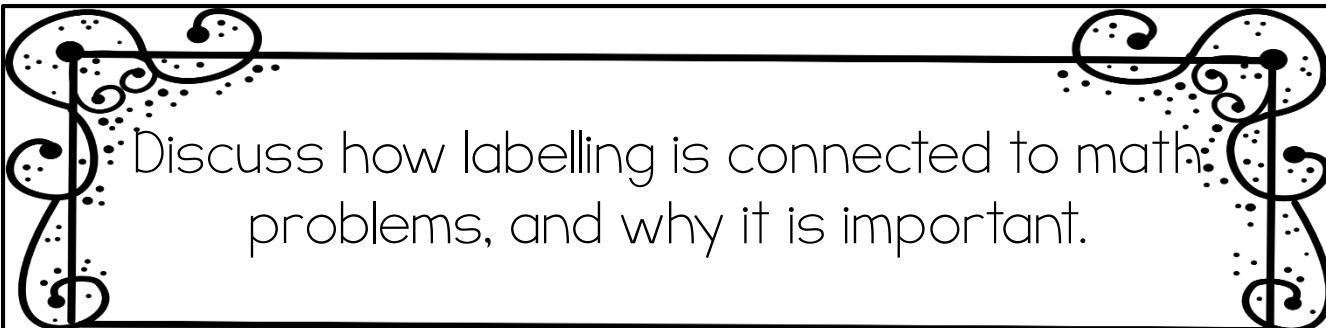
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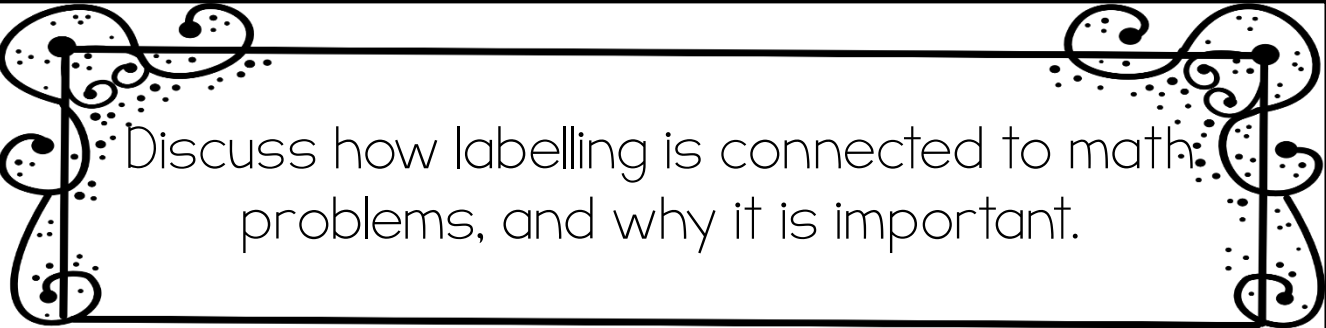
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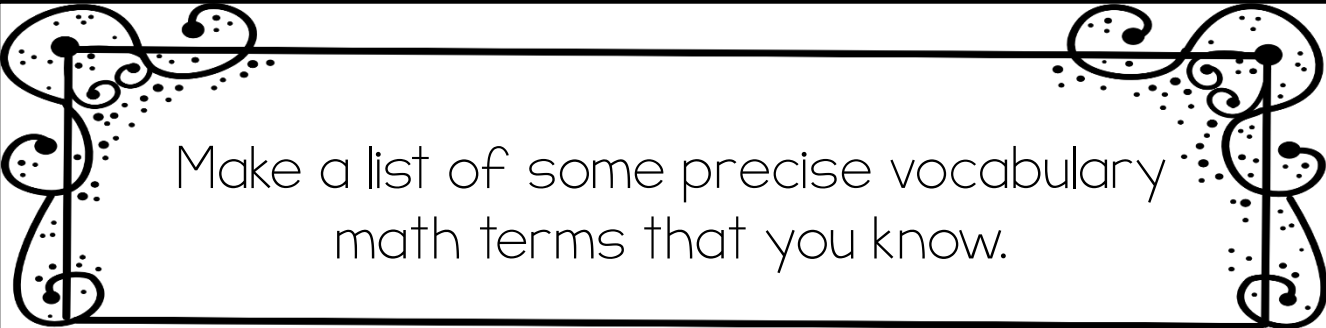


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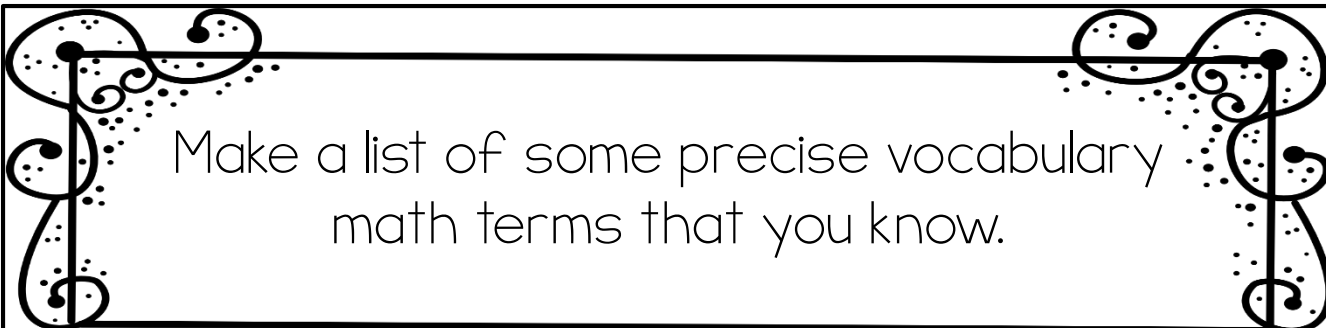


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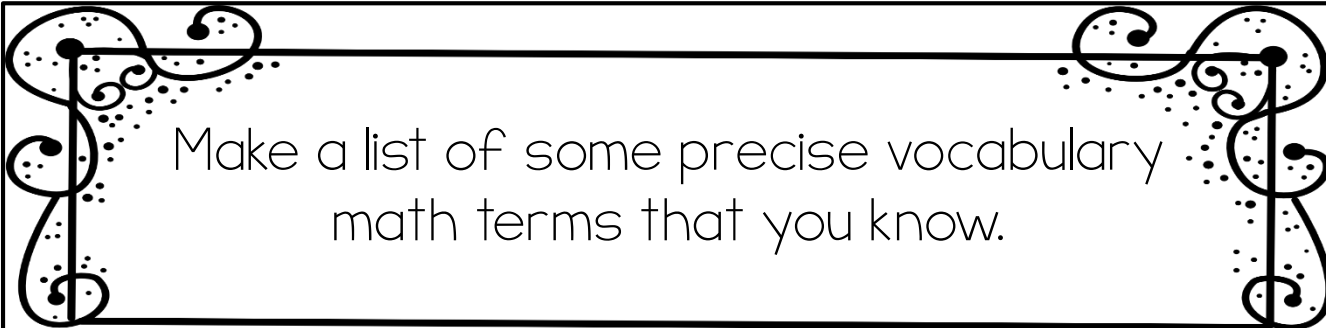




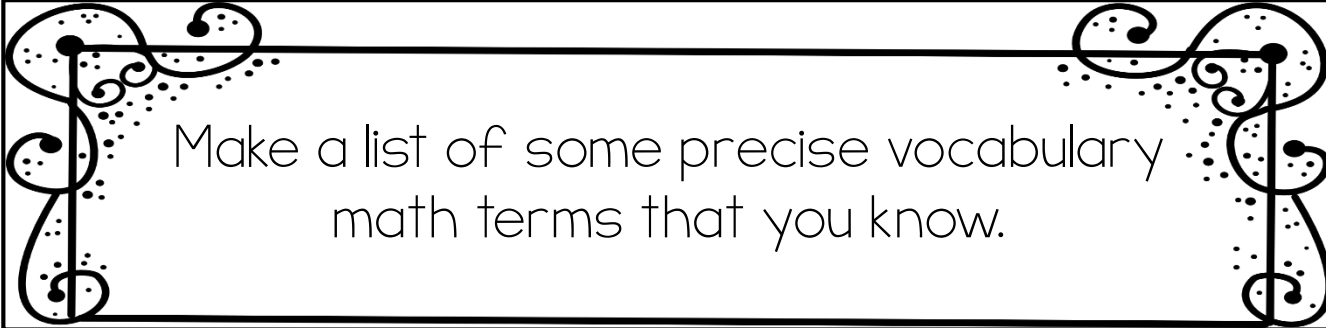
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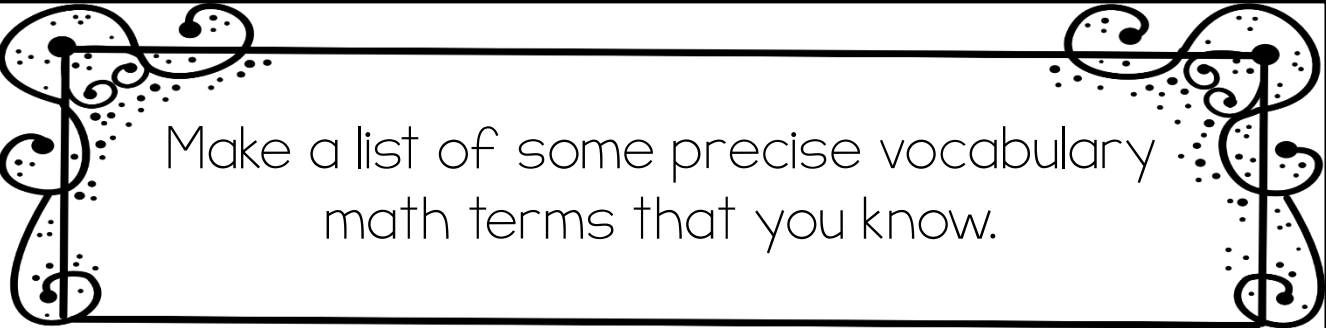
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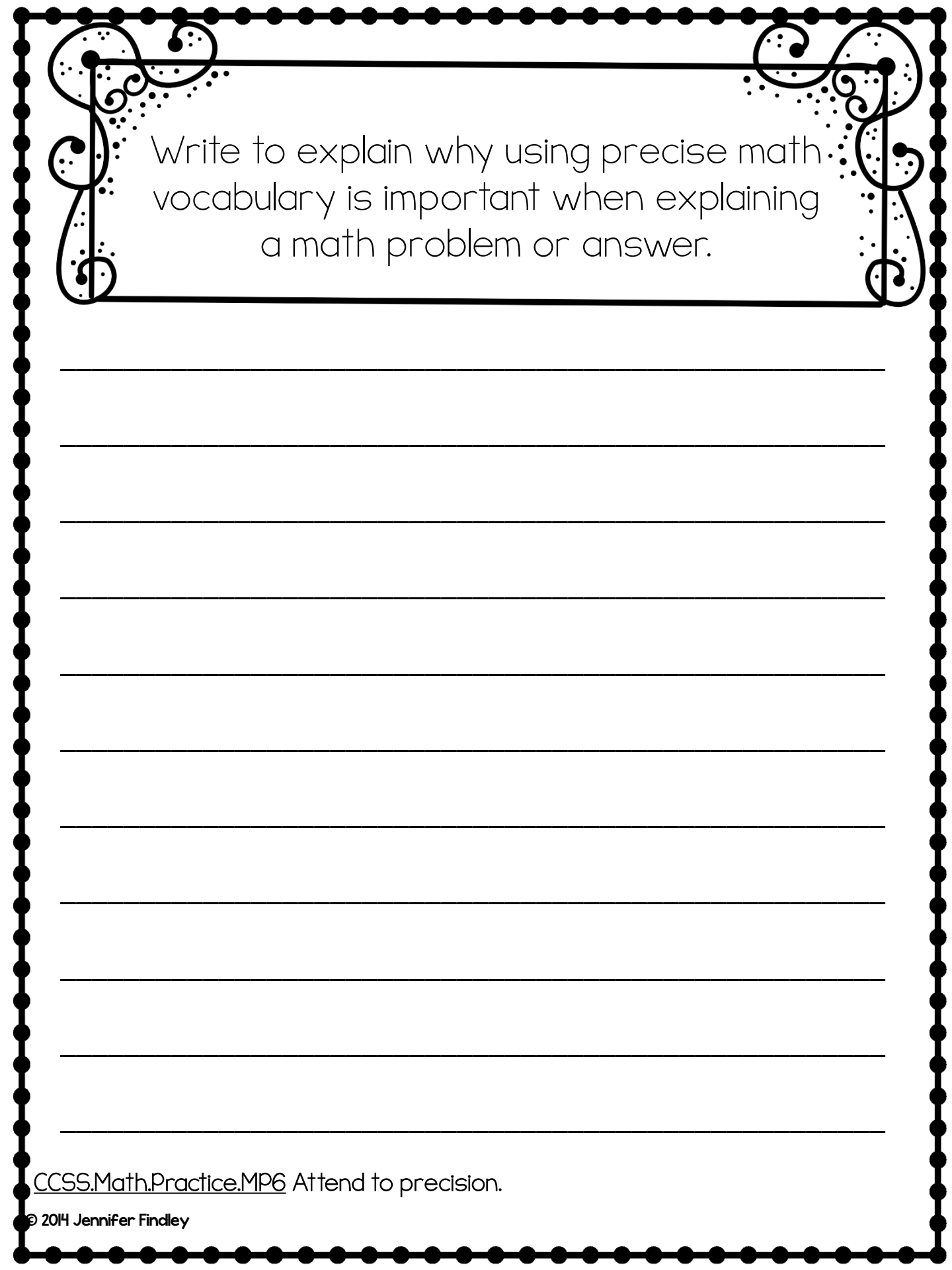
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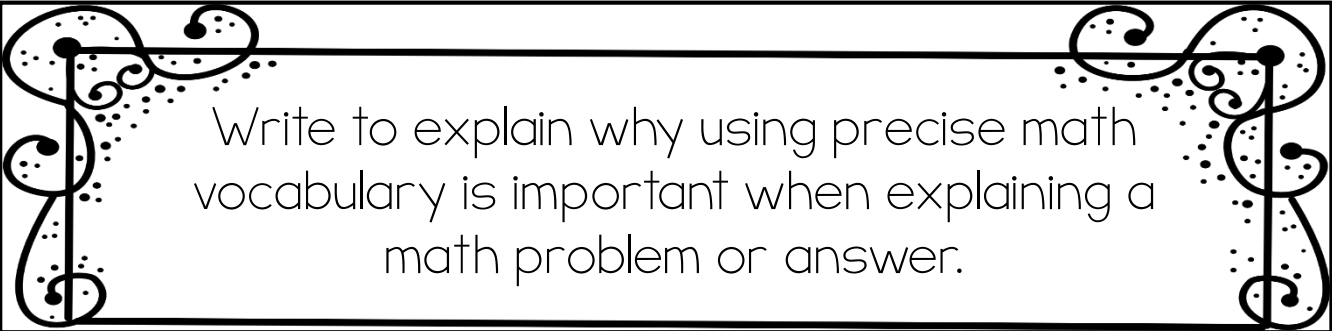
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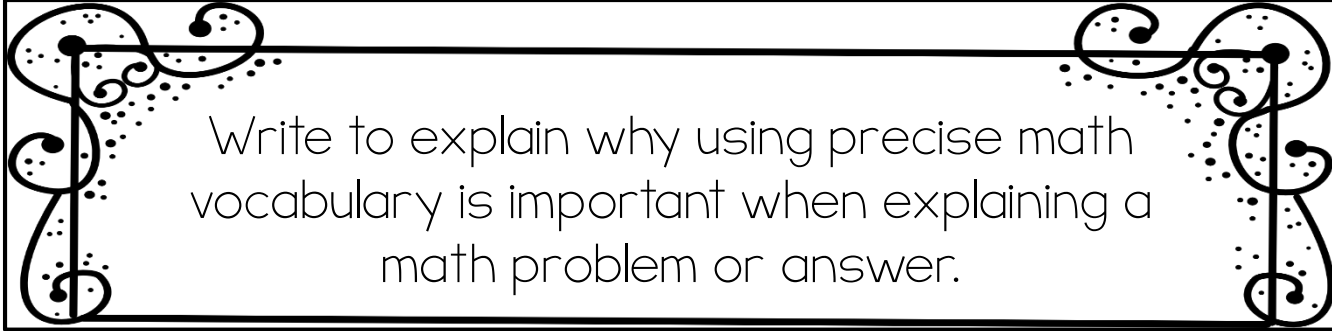
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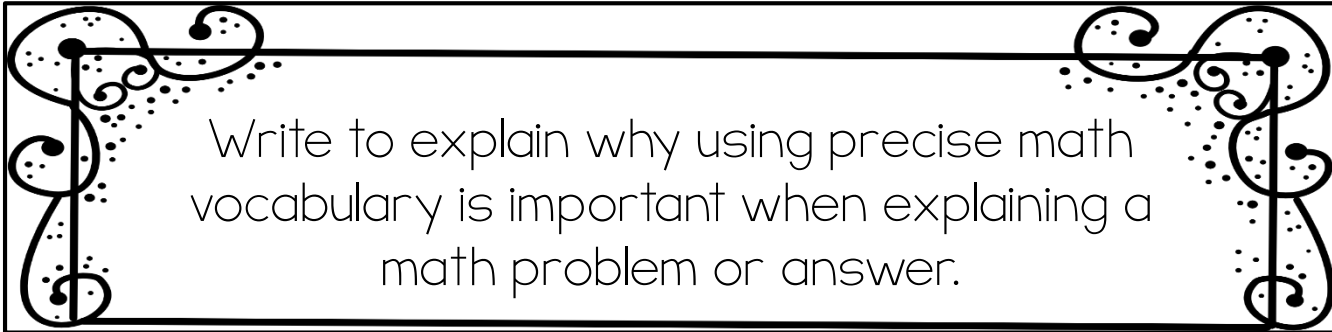
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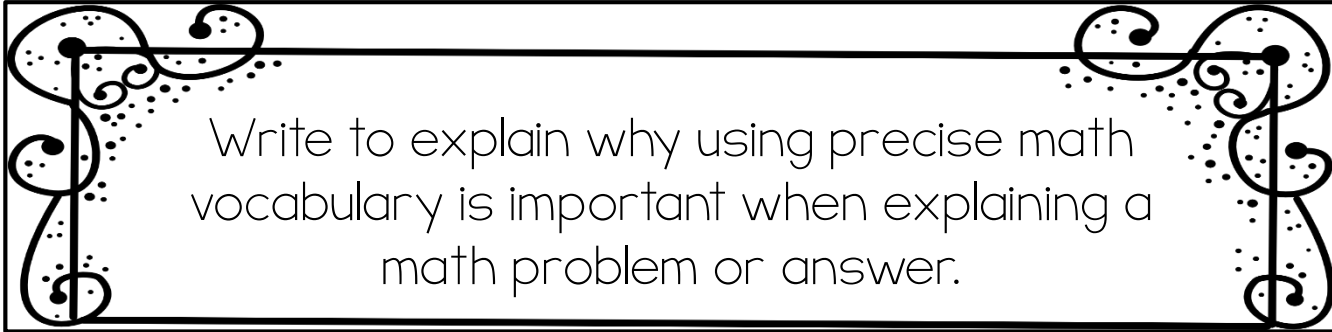
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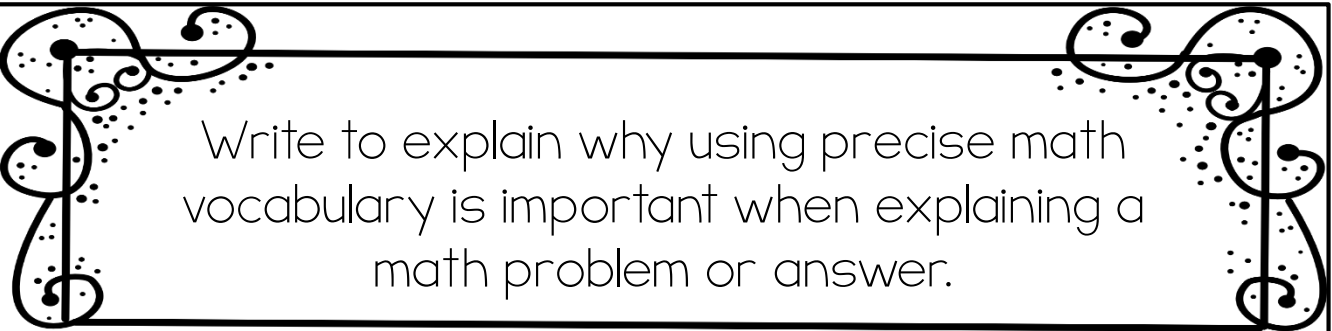
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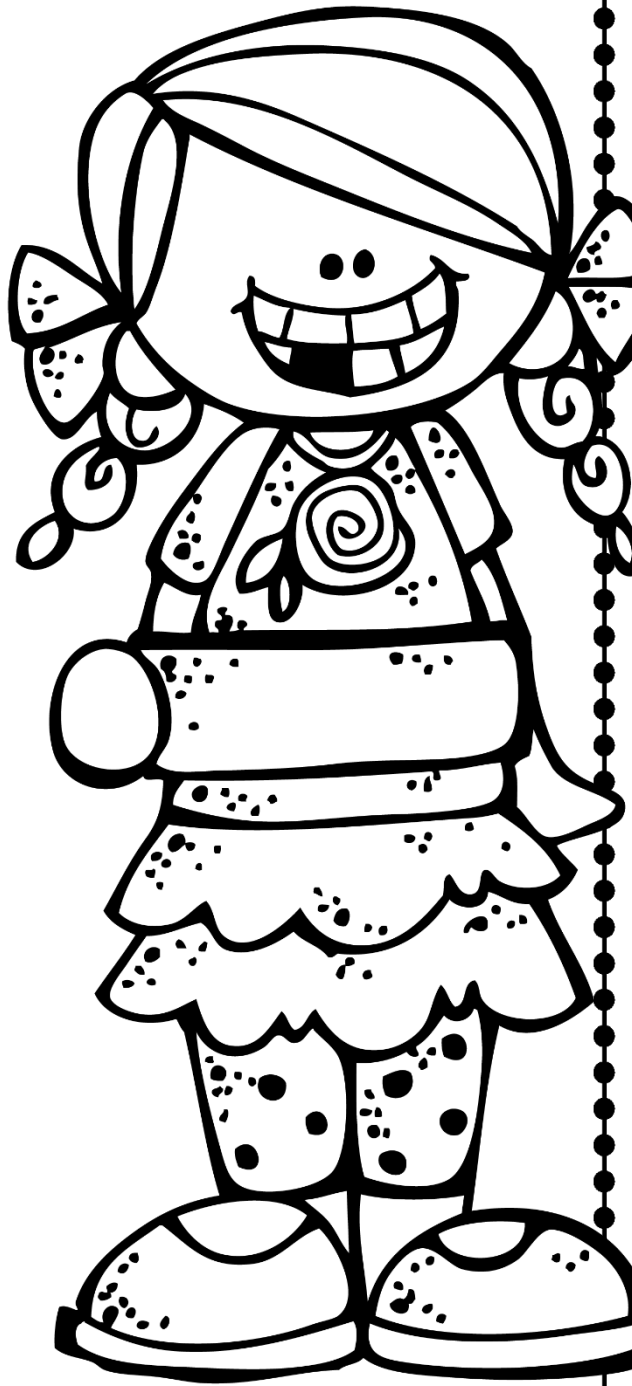


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CCSS.Math.Practice.MP7 Look for and make use of structure.





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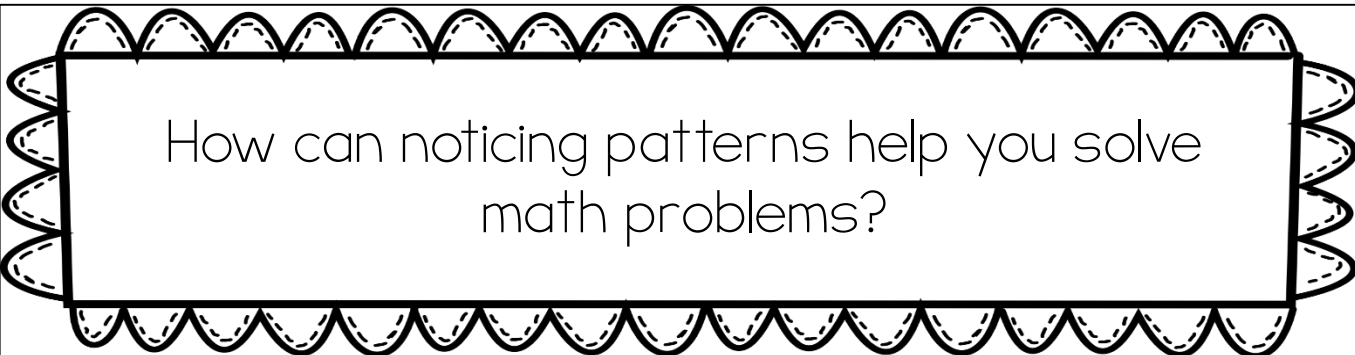
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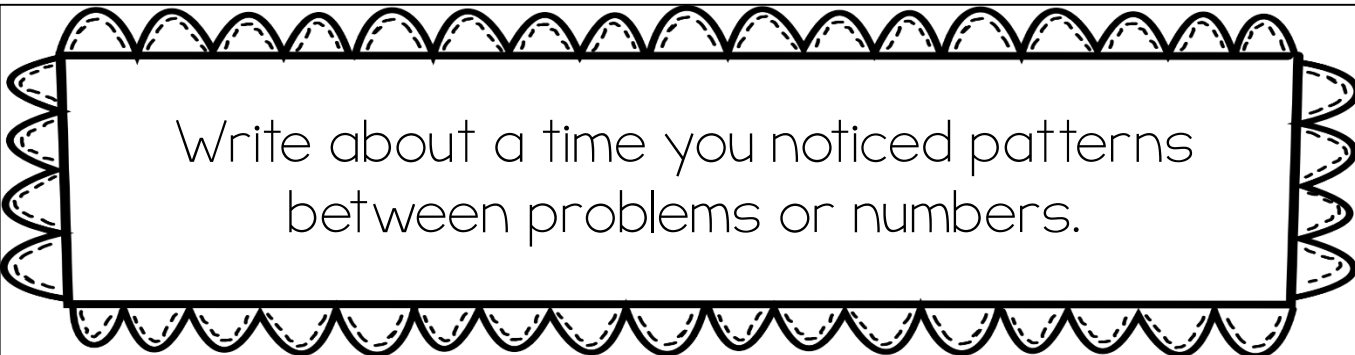


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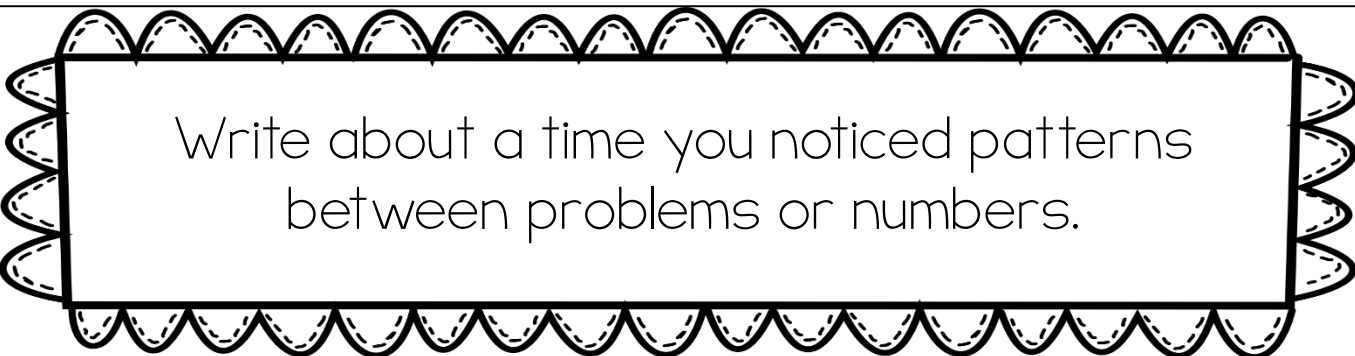


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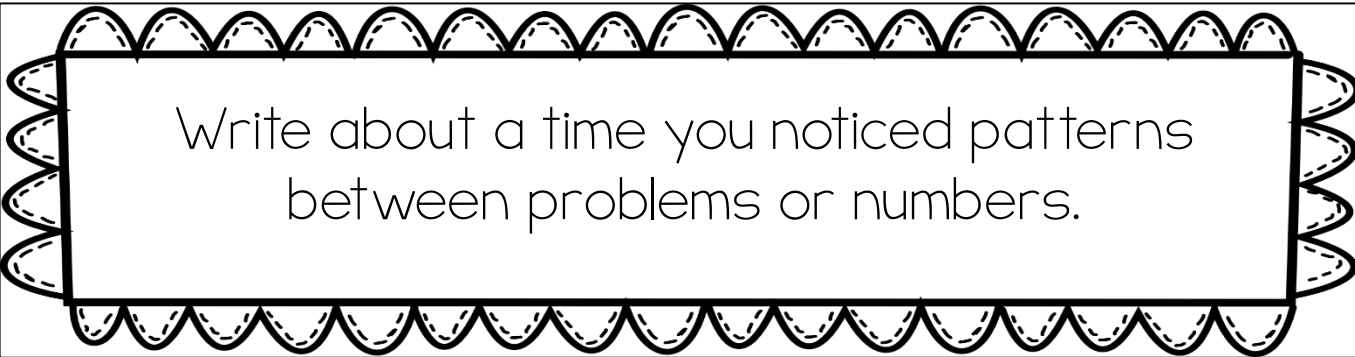




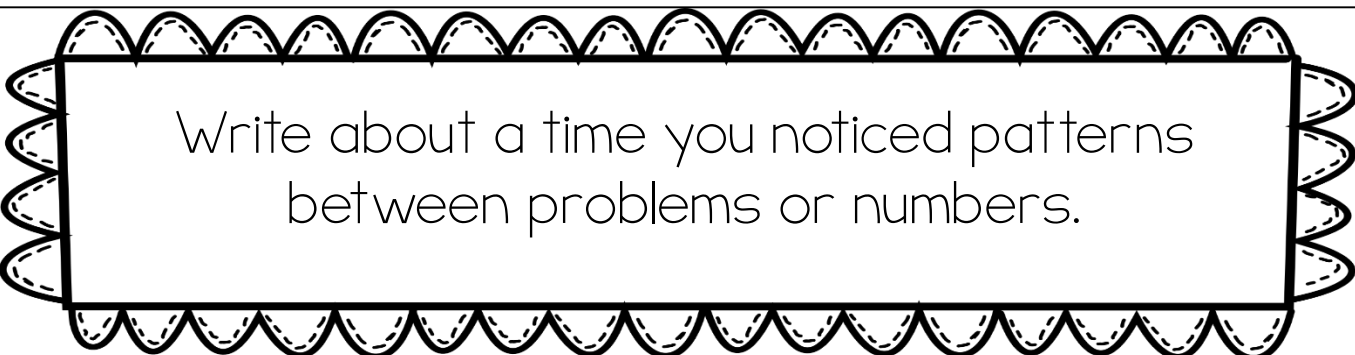
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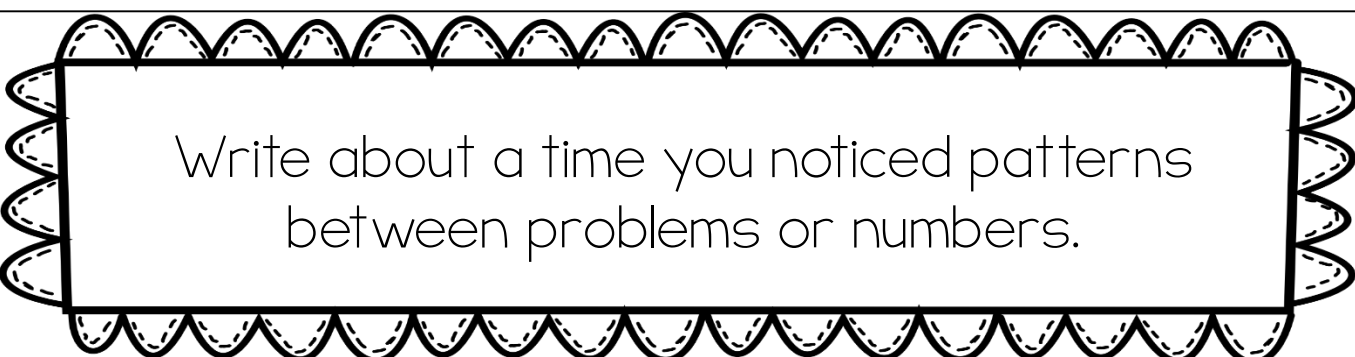
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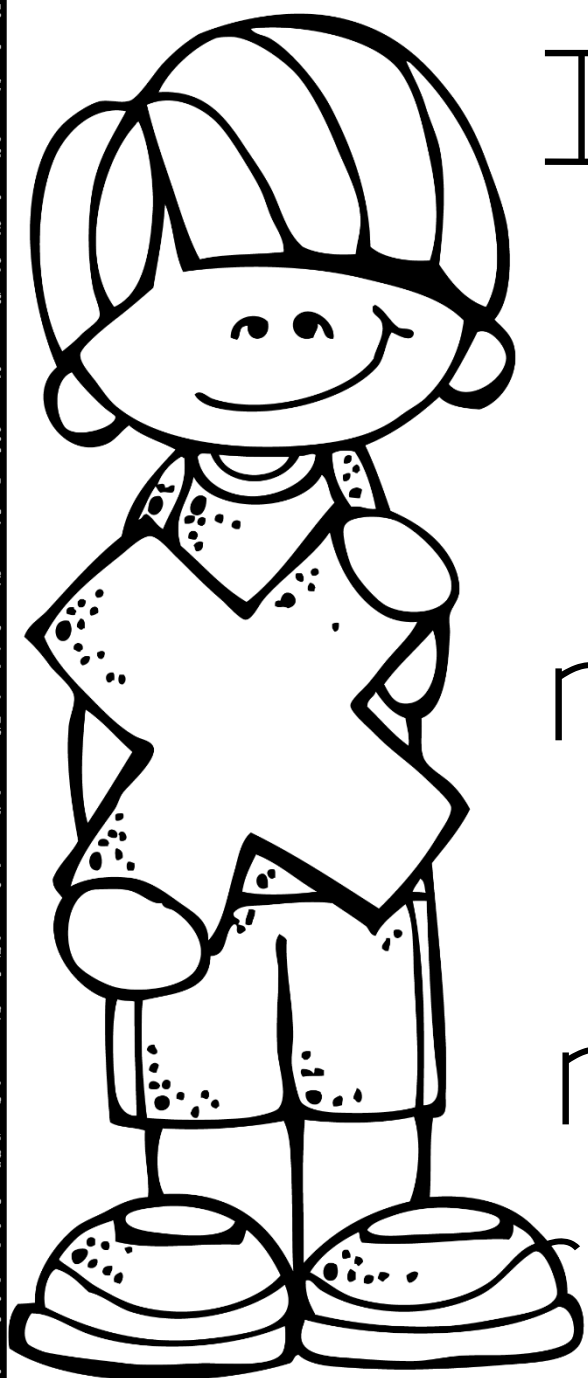
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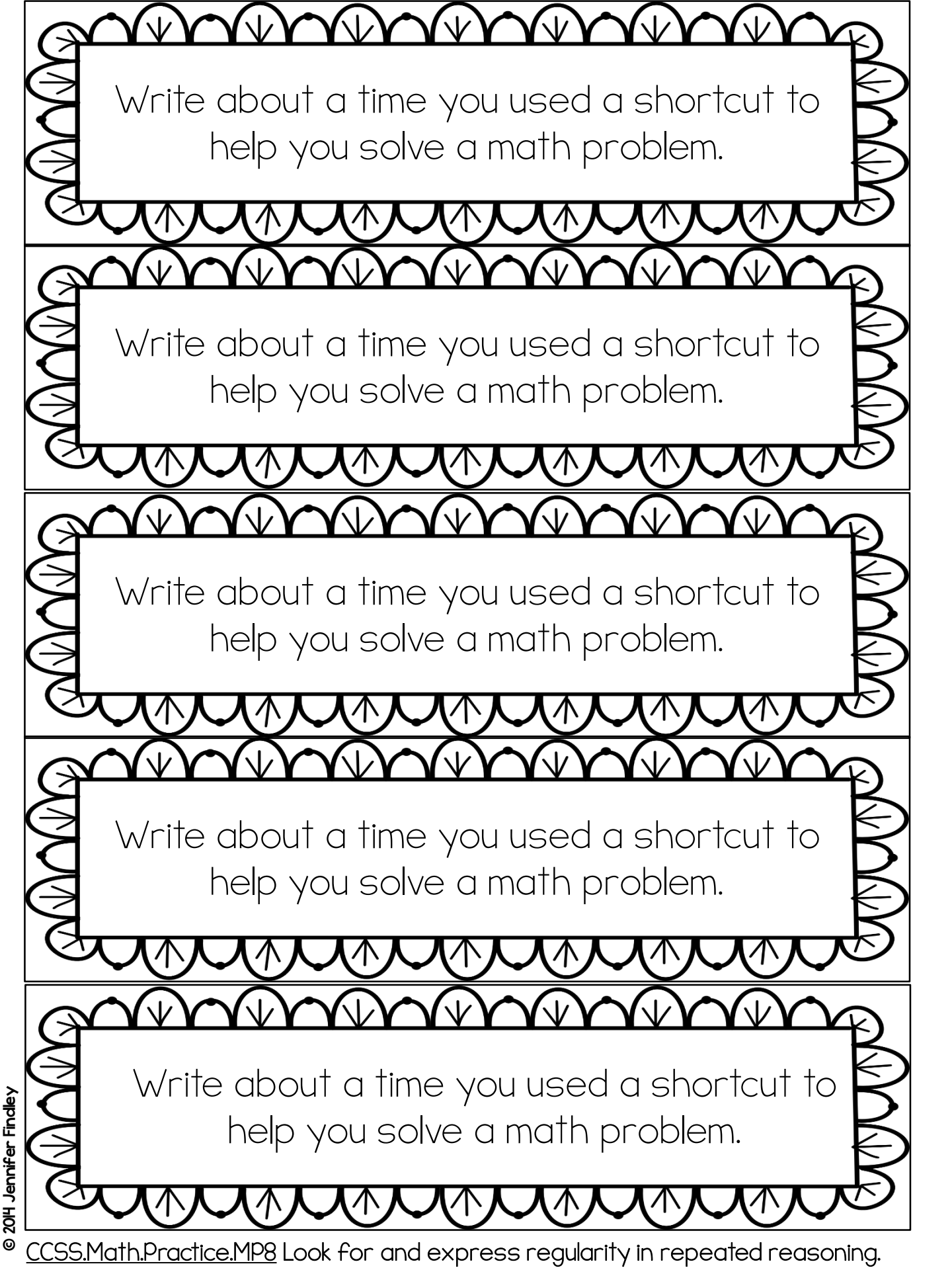
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# CHOICE BOARDS

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Color Version: These could be printed on card stock, laminated, and used in a math center.

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