# Technology can Transform Traditional Problems into Sense Making Opportunities

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### Welcome and Overview

- Poll the audience
- Technology: an Essential Element
- What is EquatIO?
- Traditional Textbook Problem, adapted using technology
- Desmos Activity Builder ~ choice of 2 activities

### Uses of Technology in Teaching Poll Question: Linoit Board

COLLABORATING PLANNING LESSONS PROFESSIONALLY COMMUNICATING ASSESSING STUDENTS WITH FAMILIES

# Uses of Technology in Teaching

MAKING SENSE OF MATHEMATICS

REASONING MATHEMATICALLY

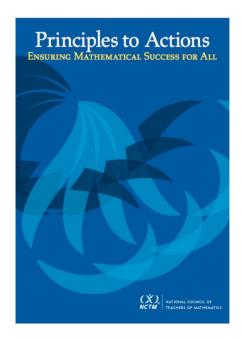
# Guiding Principles for School Mathematics

**Tools and Technology.** "An excellent mathematics program integrates the use of **mathematical tools and technology** as essential resources to help students learn and *make sense of mathematical ideas*, reason mathematically, and communicate their mathematical thinking."

From NCTM Principles to Action, Progress and Challenge, p. 4

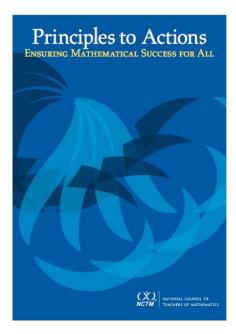
### Eight Effective Teaching Practices

- 1. Establish Mathematical Goals
- 2. Implement tasks to promote reasoning
- 3. Use Mathematical Representations
- 4. Facilitate Meaningful Discourse
- 5. Pose Purposeful Questions
- 6. Build Conceptual Understanding, then Fluency
- 7. Support Productive Struggle
- 8. Elicit Evidence of Student Thinking

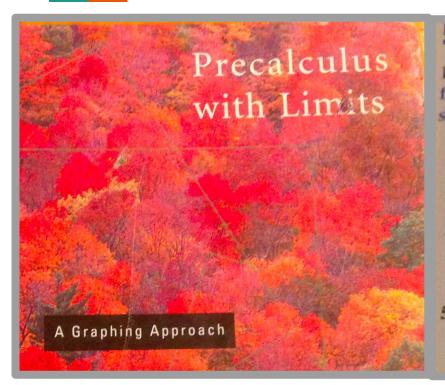


### Five Essential Elements of Effective Teaching

- 1. a commitment to access and equity
- 2. a powerful curriculum
- 3. appropriate tools and technology
- 4. meaningful and aligned assessment
- 5. a culture of professionalism



# The Background of this Talk



In Exercises 1-10, sketch the graphs of the three functions by hand on the same rectangular coordinate system. Verify your result with a graphing utility.

$$1. f(x) = x$$

$$g(x) = x - 4$$

$$h(x) = 3x$$

$$3. f(x) = x^2$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 2$$

$$h(x) = (x-2)^2$$

$$5. f(x) = -x^2$$

$$g(x) = -x^2 + 1$$

$$h(x) = -(x-2)^2$$

2. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 2$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-2)$$

4. 
$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$g(x) = x^2 - 4$$

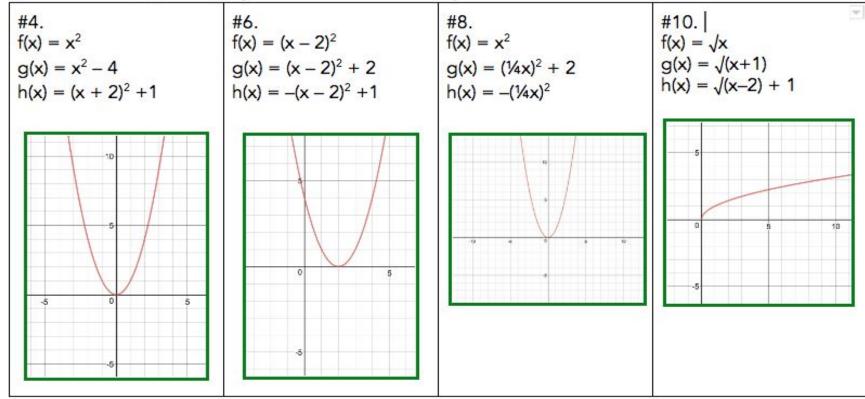
$$h(x) = (x+2)^2 + 1$$

6. 
$$f(x) = (x-2)^2$$

$$g(x) = (x-2)^2 + 2$$

$$h(x) = -(x-2)^2 + 4$$

#4-10 even Sketch the graphs of the three functions by hand on the same rectangular coordinate system. Verify results with a graphing tool. Click on the image to explore transformations of the given function, f(x). The graph of the first function is provided.



# Make Your Own Interactive Hyper Docs

# EquatIO™

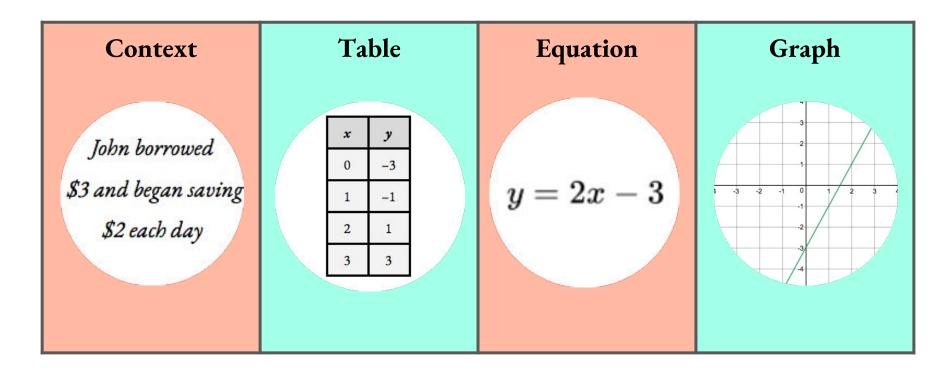
SquatIO™ make math digital

- gMath, 2nd Generation
- Web-based Chrome extension
- Works with google (docs, sheets, drawings, forms)
- Fully integrated with Desmos
- Free for teachers!
- Make google docs to facilitate deeper understanding
- Screencast tutorial

# Introducing EquatIO



# The Power of Multiple Representations



### **New Concepts**

The slope-intercept form of a linear equation can be used to graph lines quickly because it gives information about the characteristics of the graph of the equation.

#### Math Language

The y-intercept is the y-value where a graph intersects the y-axis, and is usually represented by the variable b. The coordinate is (0, b).

#### Slope-Intercept Form of an Equation

The slope-intercept form is y = mx + b, where the value of m is the slope of the line and the value of b is the y-intercept.

#### Example

#### Determining the Slope and y-Intercept of a Line

Determine the slope and the y-intercept of each equation.

**a.** 
$$y = 3x - 4$$

From Saxon Algebra 1, Lesson 49

# Problem Solving using Multiple Representations (desmos link)

Pet Care The table shows a feeding chart on the bag of a certain brand of cat food.

Maximum Weight of Cat	Amount of Food Per Day
6 lb	$\frac{3}{4}$ cup
9 lb	$1\frac{1}{4}$ cups
12 lb	$1\frac{3}{4}$ cups

4 minute Timer

- Write an equation in slope-intercept form.
- A cat that eats 1 cup of food per day would weigh how much?
- How much food per day would a 10-pound cat eat?

# Classroom Video Clip of the Cat Food Problem



# Student Responses, "Technology Helps Me Learn Math by..."

teachnology helps me with math by making sure everything is perfect, especially with graphs, to have a straight line with neat points to make it clear.

tech helps me by engaging in by making my learning more me go at my own pace.

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# Desmos Activity Builders

# Transforming Parabolas

Hey, students!

Go to

student.desmos.com

and type in:

**GFMVQ** 

#### 8 minute Timer

# Compound Inequalities

Hey, students!

Go to

student.desmos.com

and type in:

X94G8N

# Create/ Find/ Adapt Free, Sense Making Activities

### teacher.desmos.com

- Compound Inequalities
- Systems of Equations
- Marbleslides
- Transformational Geometry
- Parallel Lines & Transversals
- Linear Inequalities

# Summary, Using Technology to Facilitate Sense-making

### Teachers of mathematics must take the following actions:

Implement lessons that make use of technology investigations that precede or accompany the development of pencil and paper skills

- Plan carefully for the use of classroom technology to ensure that it builds student understanding and reasoning
- ☐ Incorporate mathematical tools and technology as an everyday part of the mathematics classroom

# Thank you for attending our session! Enjoy the conference.

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