

New To Me & Maybe You Too!

Hello MN Math Teachers!

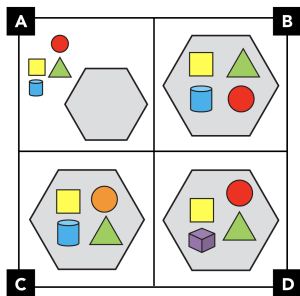
We are about one month into the school year and fall is upon us! I am so excited to bring back this monthly column to each of our readers. I need your help - if you have a topic that would be great for this column - something that is a go-to for you in your classroom, please share it with me! Fill out [this form](#) to help me generate more topics for this column!

This month I am excited to share with you an amazing resource that you can share with your elementary families and guardians. The Math Learning Center along with the Maier Math Foundation have created, "[Math at Home](#)". Taken directly from their website, Math at Home is designed to engage students in deep mathematical thinking. Math at Home resources are updated monthly during the school year, including activities and games aligned to key mathematical concepts.



The activities provided on the Math at Home website are engaging and fun! They promote discourse and different ways of thinking. There are a bunch of different math routines used and many are sorted by grade level. In our house we have a lot of fun with: how many are hidden, what comes next, same and different, and guess my rule. Parents really WANT to support the greatness that is happening in the classroom, but many just don't know where to go or what to do. This website is a treasure trove of ideas for

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families.

Once on the website it is very easy to navigate. Parents can search by grade level - although I have found that ideas in 2nd grade are also good for my 3rd grade student. So don't let the grade level limit your options! By grade level you will find activities, printable and online games, a scavenger hunt, and printable practice books. The practice books are more "skill"



based and perhaps more familiar looking to families. I encourage you to explore Math at Home and also encourage families to spend 20 minutes talking math with their child each night - just like reading!

Soon the days will grow shorter and the trees will turn colors. Let's see if in this season of change and beauty we can bring some mathematical beauty to our families by sharing the Math at Home resource. I wonder what you will find when you head to the website, probably much more than what I shared here. Be sure to share how it goes or what you liked/didn't like either on Twitter, by tagging @mctm_mn or in the MN Math Teachers Closed Facebook group. I look forward to hearing from you. Don't forget, if you have an idea that I could feature in this column, just fill out [this form](#)! Thanks!

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