

CPM Core Connections Course 1 Syllabus

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Goals:

1. To build a strong foundation for the study of higher mathematics.
2. To explore and develop a conceptual understanding of Pre-Algebra using the five ways of thinking: Generalizing, Reversing, Connecting, Justifying, Applying and Extending.
3. To practice mental math and to apply algebraic concepts to real-world situations.
4. To make connections between the patterns, rules, tables, and graphs that occur in mathematics.
5. To think and write about math.

Attendance: It is very important to be in class each day, because mathematics is cumulative by nature. However, if you do miss a class it is your responsibility to make up the missed work. Keep in mind that it is impossible to make up discussion, participation and interaction with classmates.

Assessment: The grades in this course are weighted in the following manner:

80% Assessment: Individual/Team Assessments - (individual/team tests & quizzes)

20% Practice: homework, pop-quizzes, projects, Khan academy

Individual Tests (cumulative): One per chapter

- Each individual test will be composed of approximately 40% new material and 60% old material.
- If you are absent from a test you are expected to make it up the day you return to school.

Team Tests (current chapter only): One per chapter (approximately 1 week before the individual test)

- If you are absent from a group test, you will do the test individually with your book and notes as a resource, unless other arrangements have been made.

Coursework: Homework and other classwork

- Some assignments will be collected and checked for completion.
- Some assignments will be collected and checked for quality.
- Late work is accepted, but may not be given full credit.

Required Materials

1. Three ring binder
2. Graph/lined paper – All homework and class work must be done on graph/lined paper or completed in a composition notebook.
3. A properly covered textbook to be brought to class **every single day!**
4. Calculator – TI-30 is acceptable)
5. Pencils with erasers

Extra Help

Please seek extra help as soon as you are experiencing difficulty.

- I am available most days during homeroom and study hall at the end of the day. .
- Access tutorial videos online at: Khanacademy.org
- Use homework companion guides as you work on your homework.
- Please check google classroom. Under the resources topic there is parent help and homework help.
- All guided notes and extra help will be in the students google classroom.

Classroom Expectations

1. Be ready to begin class when the bell rings, and expect to work hard.
2. Any personal items must remain under your desk (not on the desktop or on your lap).
3. School policies will be enforced (dress code, phones and I-pods, tardiness etc).
4. Use appropriate classroom language. Many common expressions are NOT classroom appropriate.
5. Cell phones should remain in locker.
6. Do (and take pride in) your own work: cheating is never honest. Be aware that sharing information about a test or quiz is a form of cheating. There is also a difference between working together and copying.
7. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to get the assignments that you missed. They will be posted on the board and your team should have an absent information form filled out for you. Staple the absent form to your classwork and homework and turn into your class basket.
8. Remain in your seat until class is dismissed. Congregating at the door near the end of class is not allowed.

Team Work Rules

1. Talk only to your team.
2. Keep your conversations centered on math.
3. Explain & justify answers completely.
4. Discuss questions with your team first before asking the teacher.
5. Help teammates by asking questions & giving hints; not answers.
6. Work together; don't leave anyone behind or work ahead.
7. Clear desks before you begin working.

Consequences

Please refer to 6th grade policies information.

Suggestions for success

1. Have good attendance.
2. Do homework daily.
3. Work together, learn together.
4. Stay organized.
5. Treat others with respect.