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### What is Engaging Mathematics, Volume I: Algebra II?

An instructional resource featuring 77 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)-based, classroom-ready mathematics activities that each take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete. We took the best activities of the original series, refreshed and revised them, and then added new activities where needed to create a collection of activities that can be used throughout the year.

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A TEKS-based resource that addresses all of the Algebra II TEKS. Engaging Mathematics, Volume I complements teachers existing resources and provides—

- Rigorous problem-solving tasks;
- Manipulative-based tasks;
- Vocabulary development tasks; and
- Sorting and classifying tasks.



A resource that supports high-quality, research-based practices by providing activities that can be used for various purposes, including—

- Engaging warm-ups and opening tasks that draw students into relevant and challenging mathematics;
- Instructional support for all students to help learners articulate, refine, and retain important mathematical concepts, processes, and skills;
- Short-cycle, formative assessments that provide immediate and ongoing feedback to guide instruction for the teacher and learning for the student; and
- Supplemental tasks to support intervention strategies.

A resource that incorporates the mathematical process standards by promoting—

- Reasoning, generalizing, and problem-solving in mathematical and real-world contexts;
- Modeling, using tools, and connecting representations;
- Analysis; and
- Communication.



### What is found in an Engaging Mathematics TEKS-based activity?



# Solving Systems of Linear and Quadratic Equations, Activity 3 2A(3)(C)

### Activity Objective

The student will determine solution sets for systems of two equations.

### Materials

- Systems of Equations: Loop
- Systems of Equations Cards
- Scissors
- Tape or glue

### **Facilitation Questions**

What strategies can you use to help you determine the solution set for the system?

I can solve both equations for y and then set the resulting expressions equal to each other. I can use elimination to remove one of the variables and solve the resulting equation.

• How can you verify that the ordered pair is a solution? I can substitute the x and y values into the equations that represent the system and see if they create true statements.

Allowers		
	Systems of Equations	Solution
	x+y=6	(2, 4)
	$y = \chi^2$	(-3, 9)
	$y = 3x - 2$ $y = x^2 + 8$	No real solutions
	v - 7x = -12	
	$y = x^2 - 3x + 13$	(5, 23)
	$y = 4x - 10$ $y + 2x = \frac{1}{2}x^{2}$	(2, -2) (10, 30)
	$y=3$ $y=2x^2+6x-5$	(1, 3) (-4, 3)

Systems of Equations	Solution
$x + y = 12$ $2x^2 - y = -6$	(1.5, 10.5) (-2, 14)
$x = 2y^2$ $y = 2x$	(0, 0) (0.125, 0.25)
$2x^2 + 5x = y + 3$ $x = 3$	(3, 30)
$\begin{aligned} x - y &= 4\\ x + y^2 &= 10 \end{aligned}$	(1, -3) (6, 2)

### Systems of Equations: Loop

- 1. Determine a solution to one of the systems of two equations.
- 2. Tape the top of the card that contains the system of two equations to the bottom of the card with the solution.
- 3. Continue this process for the remaining systems of two equations.
- 4. When complete, the taped cards should form a loop.

# Work Space:

### **Communicating about Mathematics**

Compare algebraically solving a system of two linear equations to algebracially solving a system of a linear equation and a quadratic equation.



## Systems of Equations Cards

Cut along the dashed lines. Do not cut along the solid lines.

$ \begin{array}{c} x+y=6\\ y=x^2 \end{array} $	$x = 2y^2$ $y = 2x$	y=3 $y=2x^2+6x-5$
(1, -3) (6, 2)	(1.5, 10.5) (–2, 14)	(2, –2) (10, 30)
$x - y = 4$ $x + y^2 = 10$	$2x^2 + 5x = y + 3$ $x = 3$	$y = 3x - 2$ $y = x^2 + 8$
(3, 30)	(0, 0) (0.125, 0.25)	(2, 4) (–3, 9)
y - 7x = -12 $y = x^2 - 3x + 13$	$x + y = 12$ $2x^2 - y = -6$	$y=4x-10$ $y+2x=\frac{1}{2}x^{2}$
No real solutions	(1, 3) (-4, 3)	(5, 23)

### Writing Quadratic Functions 2A(4)(A)

### Activity Objective

The student will write a quadratic function given three points in the plane.

### Materials

• What Happened?

### **Facilitation Question**

 How can you determine if it is necessary to multiply by a scalar before combining the two equations within a system of equations?

If the coefficients of the variables we are trying to cancel out are not opposites then we multiply the equation by a value that would create opposites.

### Answers

My work. Error:  $-2(a+b+c=-8) \longrightarrow -2a-2b-2c=16$ When Amanda combined the second two equations, she did +(4a+2b+c=-9)(4a + 2b + c = -9)not distribute the -2 to the -8. 2a - c = 7The rewritten equation should have been -2a-2b-2c = 16. Combine these two equations:  $2(2a-c=7) \longrightarrow 4a-2c=14$ -2a + 2c = -8+(2a+2c=-8) so, a=16a = 6 Using substitution of a = 1: 2(1)-c=7, so c=-5(1) + b + (-5) = -8, so b = -4Quadratic Function:  $y = x^2 - 4x - 5$ 

### What Happened?

Amanda made an error when she started to determine the equation of the quadratic function that passes through the points (-1,0), (1,-8), and (2,-9).

- Determine and correct the error.
- Complete the work to determine the quadratic function.

Amanda's work:

From the point (-1,0): From the point (1,–8): From the point (2, -9):  $ax^2 + bx + c = v$  $ax^2 + bx + c = v$  $ax^2 + bx + c = v$  $a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + c = 0$  $a(1)^2 + b(1) + c = -8$  $a(2)^{2} + b(2) + c = -9$ a-b+c=0a + b + c = -84a + 2b + c = -9System of equations: a - b + c = 0a + b + c = -84a + 2b + c = -9Combine the first two equations: Combine the last two equations:  $-2(a+b+c=-8) \longrightarrow -2a-2b-2c=-8$ a-b+c=0+(4a+2b+c=-9)+(a+b+c=-8)+(4a+2b+c=-9)2a + 2c = -82a - c = -17

Error:	My work:
	Quadratic Function:

### Communicating about Mathematics

Can you have mulitple equations that represent one quadratic function? Explain your reasoning.

