

M1: Place Value Math Tasks

Math Task 1: Place Value Riddles

The following task is a modification of a task taken from “Elementary and Middle School Mathematics: Teaching Developmentally”, 8e, John A. Van de Walle.

Problem

- Below is a list of base-ten riddles. Solve each riddle and show your work.
 - I have 22 ones and 3 tens. Who am I?
 - I have 4 hundreds, 12 tens, and 6 ones. Who am I?
 - I have 30 ones and 3 hundreds. Who am I?
 - I have 13 tens, 2 hundreds, and 21 ones. Who am I?
 - If you put 3 more tens with me, I would be 115. Who am I?
 - I am 45. I have 25 ones. How many tens do I have?
 - I have 17 ones. I am between 40 and 50. Who am I? How many tens do I have?
- Take your answers for 1a-e and convert them into base 6 (so using the symbols 0,1,2,3,4,5). Show all your work.
- Create 4 different base-six riddles similar to the base-ten riddles above. Give the answers to your riddles showing all your work.

Math Task 2: Ordering Whole Numbers

Task

- Order the following numbers from least to greatest: 67, 123, 90, 7, 9, 456, 1001. Explain your method of ordering the numbers using base-ten terminology (ie ones, tens, etc.).
- Order the following base 6 numbers from least to greatest WITHOUT converting them to base-ten first: 111_{six} , 5_{six} , 203_{six} , 34_{six} , 55_{six} , 1001_{six} . Explain your method of ordering the numbers using base-six terminology (ie ones, sixes, etc.).

Math Task 3: Rounding with Whole Numbers

Task

- Round 765,271,348 to the nearest:
 - Million
 - Ten million
 - Hundred Thousand
 - Thousand
- Develop a ‘rounding rule’ for base-six numbers that is similar to our base-ten rule.
- Round (explaining all your steps) the base-six number 354321_{six} using your rule from number (2) to the nearest:
 - 36
 - 216
 - 1296