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# Big Ideas Math Advanced 2 Correlation to the Common Core State Standards Advanced Pathway

	Standard	Pages or Locations Where Standard is Addressed
Domain	: The Number System	
8.NS.1	Understand informally that every number has a decimal expansion; the rational numbers are those with decimal expansions that terminate in 0s or eventually repeat. Know that other numbers are called irrational.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 308-315 (7.4), 316-317 (Ext. 7.4)
8.NS.2	Use rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers, locate them approximately on a number line diagram, and estimate the value of expressions (e.g., $\pi^{2}$ ).	Primary SE/TE: 308-315 (7.4)
Domain	: Expressions and Equations	•
7.EE.4	b. Solve word problems leading to inequalities of the form $px + q > r$ or $px + q < r$ , where $p$ , $q$ , and $r$ are specific rational numbers. Graph the solution set of the inequality and interpret it in the context of the problem.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 464-469 (11.1), 470-475 (11.2), 478-485 (11.3), 486-491 (11.4)
8.EE.1	Know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions. For example, $3^2 \times 3^{-5} = 3^{-3} = (1/3)^3 = 1/27$ .	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 410-415 (10.1), 416-421 (10.2), 422-427 (10.3), 428-433 (10.4)
8.EE.2	Use square root and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations of the form $x^2 = p$ and $x^3 = p$ , where p is a positive rational number. Evaluate square roots of small perfect squares and cube roots of small perfect cubes. Know that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 288-293 (7.1), 294-299 (7.2), 300-305 (7.3), 318-323 (7.5) <i>Supporting SE/TE:</i> 308-315 (7.4)
8.EE.3	Use numbers expressed in the form of a single digit times an integer power of 10 to estimate very large or very small quantities, and to express how many times as much one is than the other.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 436-441 (10.5), 442-447 (10.6), 448-453 (10.7)
8.EE.4	Perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimal and scientific notation are used. Use scientific notation and choose units of appropriate size for measurements of very large or very small quantities (e.g., use millimeters per year for seafloor spreading). Interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 436-441 (10.5), 442-447 (10.6), 448-453 (10.7)
8.EE.5	Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph. Compare two different proportional relationships represented in different ways.	Primary SE/TE: 158-163 (4.3) Supporting SE/TE: 142-147 (4.1)
8.EE.6	Use similar triangles to explain why the slope $m$ is the same between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the coordinate plane; derive the equation $y = mx$ for a line through the origin and the equation $y = mx + b$ for a line intercepting the vertical axis at $b$ .	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 148-155 (4.2), 158-163 (4.3), 166-171 (4.4) <i>SupportingSE/TE :</i> 156-157 (Ext. 4.2), 172-177 (4.5)

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	Solve linear equations in one variable.	
8.EE.7	a. Give examples of linear equations in one variable with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions. Show which of these possibilities is the case by successively transforming the given equation into simpler forms, until an equivalent equation of the form $x = a$ , $a = a$ , or $a = b$ results (where $a$ and $b$ are different numbers).	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 2-9 (1.1), 10-15 (1.2), 18-25 (1.3) <i>Supporting SE/TE:</i> 26-31 (1.4), 230-231 (Ext. 5.4)
	b. Solve linear equations with rational number coefficients, including equations whose solutions require expanding expressions using the distributive property and collecting like terms.	Primary SE/TE: 2-9 (1.1), 10-15 (1.2), 18-25 (1.3) Supporting SE/TE: 26-31 (1.4), 201, 230-231 (Ext. 5.4)
	Analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations.	
	a. Understand that solutions to a system of two linear equations in two variables correspond to points of intersection of their graphs, because points of intersection satisfy both equations simultaneously.	Primary SE/TE: 202-207 (5.1), 224-229 (5.4) Supporting SE/TE: 230-231 (Ext. 5.4)
8.EE.8	b. Solve systems of two linear equations in two variables algebraically, and estimate solutions by graphing the equations. Solve simple cases by inspection.	Primary SE/TE: 202-207 (5.1), 208-213 (5.2), 216-223 (5.3), 224-229 (5.4) Supporting SE/TE: 230-231 (Ext. 5.4)
	c. Solve real-world and mathematical problems leading to two linear equations in two variables.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 202-207 (5.1), 208-213 (5.2), 216-223 (5.3), 224-229 (5.4) <i>Supporting SE/TE:</i> 230-231 (Ext. 5.4)
Domain	Functions	
8.F.1	Understand that a function is a rule that assigns to each input exactly one output. The graph of a function is the set of ordered pairs consisting of an input and the corresponding output.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 242-247 (6.1), 248-255 (6.2)
8.F.2	Compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by verbal descriptions).	Primary SE/TE: 256-263 (6.3)
8.F.3	Interpret the equation $y = mx + b$ as defining a linear function, whose graph is a straight line; give examples of functions that are not linear.	Primary SE/TE: 256-263 (6.3), 266-271 (6.4)
8.F.4	Construct a function to model a linear relationship between two quantities. Determine the rate of change and initial value of the function from a description of a relationship or from two $(x, y)$ values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. Interpret the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in terms of the situation it models, and in terms of its graph or a table of values.	Primary SE/TE: 256-263 (6.3) Supporting SE/TE: 178-183 (4.6), 184-189 (4.7), 371

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8.F.5	Describe qualitatively the functional relationship between two quantities by analyzing a graph (e.g., where the function is increasing or decreasing, linear or nonlinear). Sketch a graph that exhibits the qualitative features of a function that has been described verbally.	Primary SE/TE: 272-277 (6.5)
Domai	n: Geometry	
7.G.1	Solve problems involving scale drawings of geometric figures, including computing actual lengths and areas from a scale drawing and reproducing a scale drawing at a different scale.	Primary SE/TE: 530-537 (12.5)
7.G.2	Draw (freehand, with ruler and protractor, and with technology) geometric shapes with given conditions. Focus on constructing triangles from three measures of angles or sides, noticing when the conditions determine a unique triangle, more than one triangle, or no triangle.	Primary SE/TE: 514-519 (12.3), 524-529 (12.4)
7.G.3	Describe the two-dimensional figures that result from slicing three-dimensional figures, as in plane sections of right rectangular prisms and right rectangular pyramids.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 620-621 (Ext. 14.5)
7.G.4	Know the formulas for the area and circumference of a circle and use them to solve problems; give an informal derivation of the relationship between the circumference and area of a circle.	Primary SE/TE: 548-555 (13.1), 564-569 (13.3) Supporting SE/TE: 556-561 (13.2), 600-605 (14.3)
7.G.5	Use facts about supplementary, complementary, vertical, and adjacent angles in a multi-step problem to write and solve simple equations for an unknown angle in a figure.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 502-507 (12.1), 508-513 (12.2), 520-521 (Ext. 12.3)
7.G.6	Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving area, volume and surface area of two- and three-dimensional objects composed of triangles, quadrilaterals, polygons, cubes, and right prisms.	Primary SE/TE: 570-575 (13.4), 586-593 (14.1), 594-599 (14.2), 608-613 (14.4), 614-619 (14.5)
	Verify experimentally the properties of rotations, reflections, and translations:	
	a. Lines are taken to lines, and line segments to line segments of the same length.	Primary SE/TE: 48-53 (2.2), 54-59 (2.3), 60-67 (2.4)
8.G.1	b. Angles are taken to angles of the same measure.	Primary SE/TE: 48-53 (2.2), 54-59 (2.3), 60-67 (2.4)
	c. Parallel lines are taken to parallel lines.	Primary SE/TE: 48-53 (2.2), 54-59 (2.3), 60-67 (2.4)
8.G.2	Understand that a two-dimensional figure is congruent to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of rotations, reflections, and translations; given two congruent figures, describe a sequence that exhibits the congruence between them.	Primary SE/TE: 48-53 (2.2), 54-59 (2.3), 60-67 (2.4) Supporting SE/TE: 42-47 (2.1)

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8.G.3	Describe the effect of dilations, translations, rotations, and reflections on two-dimensional figures using coordinates.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 48-53 (2.2), 54-59 (2.3), 60-67 (2.4), 82-89 (2.7)
8.G.4	Understand that a two-dimensional figure is similar to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of rotations, reflections, translations, and dilations; given two similar two-dimensional figures, describe a sequence that exhibits the similarity between them.	Primary SE/TE: 82-89 (2.7) Supporting SE/TE: 70-75 (2.5), 76-81 (2.6)
8.G.5	Use informal arguments to establish facts about the angle sum and exterior angle of triangles, about the angles created when parallel lines are cut by a transversal, and the angle-angle criterion for similarity of triangles.	Primary SE/TE: 102-109 (3.1), 110-115 (3.2), 126-131 (3.4) Supporting SE/TE: 118-125 (3.3)
8.G.6	Explain a proof of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 300-305 (7.3), 318-323 (7.5)
8.G.7	Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in real- world and mathematical problems in two and three dimensions.	Primary SE/TE: 300-305 (7.3), 318-323 (7.5)
8.G.8	Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance between two points in a coordinate system.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 300-305 (7.3), 318-323 (7.5)
8.G.9	Know the formulas for the volumes of cones, cylinders, and spheres and use them to solve real-world and mathematical problems.	Primary SE/TE: 334-339 (8.1), 340-345 (8.2), 348-353 (8.3) Supporting SE/TE: 354-361 (8.4)
Domain:	Statistics and Probability	
7.SP.1	Understand that statistics can be used to gain information about a population by examining a sample of the population; generalizations about a population from a sample are valid only if the sample is representative of that population. Understand that random sampling tends to produce representative samples and support valid inferences.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 672-677 (15.6)
7.SP.2	Use data from a random sample to draw inferences about a population with an unknown characteristic of interest. Generate multiple samples (or simulated samples) of the same size to gauge the variation in estimates or predictions.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 672-677 (15.6), 678-679 (Ext. 15.6)
7.SP.3	Informally assess the degree of visual overlap of two numerical data distributions with similar variabilities, measuring the difference between the centers by expressing it as a multiple of a measure of variability.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 680-685 (15.7)
7.SP.4	Use measures of center and measures of variability for numerical data from random samples to draw informal comparative inferences about two populations.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 680-685 (15.7)

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7.SP.5	Understand that the probability of a chance event is a number between 0 and 1 that expresses the likelihood of the event occurring. Larger numbers indicate greater likelihood. A probability near 0 indicates an unlikely event, a probability around 1/2 indicates an event that is neither unlikely nor likely, and a probability near 1 indicates a likely event.	Primary SE/TE: 638-643 (15.2) Supporting SE/TE: 632-637 (15.1), 644-651 (15.3)
7.SP.6	Approximate the probability of a chance event by collecting data on the chance process that produces it and observing its long-run relative frequency, and predict the approximate relative frequency given the probability.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 644-651 (15.3)
	Develop a probability model and use it to find probabilities of events. Compare probabilities from a model to observed frequencies; if the agreement is not good, explain possible sources of the discrepancy.	
7.SP.7	a. Develop a uniform probability model by assigning equal probability to all outcomes, and use the model to determine probabilities of events.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 638-643 (15.2), 644-651 (15.3)
	b. Develop a probability model (which may not be uniform) by observing frequencies in data generated from a chance process.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 644-651 (15.3)
	Find probabilities of compound events using organized lists, tables, tree diagrams, and simulation.	
	a. Understand that, just as with simple events, the probability of a compound event is the fraction of outcomes in the sample space for which the compound event occurs.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 652-659 (15.4), 660-667 (15.5)
7.SP.8	b. Represent sample spaces for compound events using methods such as organized lists, tables and tree diagrams. For an event described in everyday language (e.g., "rolling double sixes"), identify the outcomes in the sample space which compose the event.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 652-659 (15.4), 660-667 (15.5)
	c. Design and use a simulation to generate frequencies for compound events.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 668-669 (Ext. 15.5)
8.SP.1	Construct and interpret scatter plots for bivariate measurement data to investigate patterns of association between two quantities. Describe patterns such as clustering, outliers, positive or negative association, linear association, and nonlinear association.	Primary SE/TE: 372-377 (9.1), 378-383 (9.2) Supporting SE/TE: 392-399 (9.4)
8.SP.2	Know that straight lines are widely used to model relationships between two quantitative variables. For scatter plots that suggest a linear association, informally fit a straight line, and informally assess the model fit by judging the closeness of the data points to the line.	Primary SE/TE: 378-383 (9.2)
8.SP.3	Use the equation of a linear model to solve problems in the context of bivariate measurement data, interpreting the slope and intercept.	<i>Primary SE/TE:</i> 378-383 (9.2)

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8.SP.4	Understand that patterns of association can also be seen in bivariate categorical data by displaying frequencies and relative frequencies in a two-way table. Construct and interpret a two-way table summarizing data on two categorical variables collected from the same subjects. Use relative frequencies calculated for rows or columns to describe possible association between the two variables.	Primary SE/TE: 386-391 (9.3)

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Mathematical Practices	
	Big Ideas Math is a research-based program, systematically developed using the Common Core State Standards for Mathematical Practice as the underlying structure. The Standards for Mathematical Practice are seamlessly connected to the Common Core State Content Standards resulting in a program that maximizes both teacher effectiveness and student understanding. Every section has additional Mathematical Practice support in the Dynamic Classroom and in the online Lesson Plans at <i>BigIdeasMath.com</i> .

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1 Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.	
Mathematically proficient students:	Each section begins with an Essential Question. Students look
• Explain to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution.	for entry points using guides such as In Your Own Words.
<ul> <li>Analyze givens, constraints, relationships, and goals</li> </ul>	Clear step-by-step examples encourage students to plan a
<ul> <li>Make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution attempt.</li> </ul>	solution pathway rather than jumping into a solution attempt.
<ul> <li>Plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution.</li> </ul>	Guided questions and instructional scaffolding support
Consider analogous problems and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem	students' perseverance.
in order to gain insight into its solution.	
<ul> <li>Monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary.</li> </ul>	Sample references:
• Transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator	
to get information.	Chapter 1, pages 10-15
• Explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs.	Chapter 2, pages 76-81
• Draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity	Chapter 4, pages 148-155
or trends.	Chapter 4, pages 178-183
<ul> <li>Use concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem.</li> </ul>	Chapter 5, pages 208-213
<ul> <li>Check their answers to problems using a different method.</li> </ul>	Chapter 5, pages 216-223
<ul> <li>Ask themselves, "Does this make sense?"</li> </ul>	Chapter 6, pages 272-277
<ul> <li>Understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify</li> </ul>	Chapter 8, pages 334-339
correspondences between approaches.	Chapter 10, pages 410-415
	Chapter 11, pages 464-469
	Chapter 12, pages 520-521
	Chapter 13, pages 564-569
	Chapter 13, pages 570-575
	Chapter 14, pages 620-621
	Chapter 15, pages 632-637

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2	Reason abstractly and quantitively.	
	Mathematically proficient students:	Students learn to represent problems by consistently using a
	<ul> <li>Make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations.</li> </ul>	verbal model, paying close attention to units and employing
	• Bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships:	mathematical properties. This helps students represent
	- Decontextualize (abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate	problems symbolically and manipulate the representative
	the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to	symbols. They are taught to contextualize by thinking about
	their referents) and	the referents and symbols involved.
	- Contextualize (pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into	
	the referents for the symbols involved)	Sample references:
	• Use quantitative reasoning that entails creating a coherent representation of the problem at	
	hand, considering the units involved, and attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how	Chapter 1, pages 18-25
	to compute them .	Chapter 3, pages 126-131
	<ul> <li>Know and flexibly use different properties of operations and objects.</li> </ul>	Chapter 4, pages 172-177
		Chapter 8, pages 340-345
		Chapter 10, pages 428-433
		Chapter 15, pages 672-677

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4	Model with mathematics.		
	Mathematically proficient students:	In each section, students work with the mathematics of	
	• Apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the	everyday life. Students use graphs, tables, charts, number	
	workplace.	lines, diagrams, flowcharts, and formulas to organize, make	
	- In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a	sense of, and identify realistic solutions to real-life situations.	
	situation.	Students write stories involving math, on topics such as using	
	- In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or	percents to help them improve their grades. Visual	
	analyze a problem in the community.	representations, such as integer tiles and fraction models, help	
	- By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function	students make sense of numeric operations.	
	to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another.		
	• Make assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that	Sample references:	
	these may need revision later.		
	Identify important quantities in a practical situation	Chapter 2, pages 70-75	
	• Map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts and		
	formulas.	Chapter 6, pages 266-271	
	<ul> <li>Analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions.</li> </ul>	Chapter 8, pages 348-353	
	Interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation.	Chapter 9, pages 378-383	
	• Reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served		
	its purpose.	Chapter 10, pages 436-441	
		Chapter 11, pages 470-475	
		Chapter 14, pages 608-613	
		Chapter 15, pages 644-651	

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5	Use appropriate tools strategically.	
	Mathematically proficient students:	Opportunities for students to select and use appropriate tools
	• Consider available tools when solving a mathematical problem. (pencil and paper, concrete	such as graphing calculators, protractors, measuring devices,
	models, ruler, protractor, calculator, spreadsheet, computer algebra system, statistical	websites, and other external resources are provided for
	package, or dynamic geometry software)	students throughout the series.
	<ul> <li>Are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound</li> </ul>	
	decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations.	Sample references:
	• Detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge.	Chapter 2, pages 42-47
	<ul> <li>Know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions,</li> </ul>	Chapter 4, pages 142-147
	explore consequences, and compare predictions with data.	Chapter 5, pages 202-207
	• Identify relevant external mathematical resources and use them to pose or solve problems.	Chapter 7, pages 308-315
	<ul> <li>Use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.</li> </ul>	Chapter 9, pages 372-377
		Chapter 12, pages 514-519
		Chapter 12, pages 524-529
		Chapter 15, pages 680-685

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6	Attend to Precision.	
	Mathematically proficient students:	Through the balanced approach to instruction, students have
	<ul> <li>Try to communicate precisely to others.</li> </ul>	daily opportunities to communicate mathematically. Students
	- In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other.	work through activities, examples, and exercises to understand
	- In high school, students have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of	and use the language of mathematics, paying careful attention
	definitions.	to the importance of units, labeling, and quantities.
	<ul> <li>Try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>State the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately.</li> </ul>	Sample references:
	• Specify units of measure and label axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a	Chapter 2, pages 60-67
	problem.	Chapter 3, pages 102-109
	• Calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision	Chapter 6, pages 256-263
	appropriate for the problem context.	Chapter 7, pages 288-293
		Chapter 7, pages 318-323
		Chapter 10, pages 442-447
		Chapter 11, pages 486-491
		Chapter 12, pages 530-537
		Chapter 13, pages 556-561
		Chapter 14, pages 594-599

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7	<ul> <li>Look for and make use of structure.</li> <li>Mathematically proficient students:</li> <li>Look closely to discern a pattern or structure. <ul> <li>Young students might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have.</li> <li>Later, students will see 7 x 8 equals the well remembered 7 x 5 + 7 x 3, in preparation for the distributive property.</li> <li>In the expression x<sup>2</sup> + 9x + 14, older students can see the 14 as 2 x 7 and the 9 as 2 + 7. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Step back for an overview and can shift perspective.</li> <li>See complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or composed of several objects.</li> </ul>	Real and relevant word problems encourage students to "see" that these problems are composed of several components. Students find that some mathematical representations share common mathematical structures and learn to look for these relationships discerning inherent patterns and structures. <b>Sample references:</b> Chapter 2, pages 54-59 Chapter 4, pages 158-163 Chapter 6, pages 242-247 Chapter 7, pages 294-299 Chapter 10, pages 416-421 Chapter 14, pages 600-605 Chapter 14, pages 614-619 Chapter 15, pages 652-659
8	<ul> <li>Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.</li> <li>Mathematically proficient students:</li> <li>Notice if calculations are repeated.</li> <li>Look both for general methods and for shortcuts. <ul> <li>Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeated decimal.</li> <li>Paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether the points are on the line through (1,2) with a slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation (y-2)/(x-1)=3.</li> <li>Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding (x-1)(x+1), (x-1)(x<sup>2</sup>+x+1), and (x-1)(x<sup>3</sup>+x<sup>2</sup>+x+1) might lead high school students to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Maintain oversight of the process of solving a problem, while attending to the details.</li> </ul>	The series helps students see that mathematics is well structured and predictable. Students work through a problem, not through the numbers. They consider factors such as an appropriate answer to the question, reasonable intermediate steps, and a realistic solution. <b>Sample references:</b> Chapter 1, pages 26-31 Chapter 3, pages 110-115 Chapter 8, pages 354-361 Chapter 10, pages 422-427