

GRADE 8 ACTIVITY ROUTINES

Activity Routines are recurring features in *MathLinks*. They are designed to engage students in problem solving and practice. Activity Routines frequently appear in the Review section of the Student Packet, occasionally within lessons, and also in some of the Packet Resources for each packet in the Teacher Portal.

Detailed instructions with sample introductory activities are included here for Grade 8. We recommend that teachers use these activities to establish classroom norms and procedures for the activities.

The following tables indicate where the routines appear in each grade level course.

SP = Student Packet		
Packet Resources:	ES = Essential Skills NP = Nonroutine Problems	MT = Math Talks T = Tasks

Activity Routines – Grade 8	Packet									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Big Square Puzzles		ES ¹	SP NP ¹		ES ¹		SP	SP NP ¹		
Four in a Row	ES	ES NP	ES	ES	ES	ES	ES			
Match and Compare Sorts	SP		SP			SP				
Math Talks	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT	MT
Open Middle Problems	ES	ES	ES NP	NP	SP NP	NR	SP NP	SP ES NP		
Poster Problems	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP
Why Doesn't It Belong?		SP	SP	SP			SP			
Alge-Grid: What's the <i>a</i> ?		SP		SP		SP		SP		SP
READY-X	SP		SP		SP		SP		SP	
Using the <i>MathLinks</i> Rubric	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T	SP T

¹These Big Square Puzzle are each in the form of a "Big Triangle."