

# Grade 4 Mathematics Big Ideas

## Big Ideas – Priority 1

## Supporting Ideas – Priority 2

## Number Facts

[C] Communication

[PS] Problem Solving

[CN] Connections

[R] Reasoning

[ME] Mental Mathematics

[T] Technology and Estimation

[V] Visualization

Strand: <u>Number</u>	
General Outcome: Develop number sense.	
Specific Outcomes	Achievement Indicators
<i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
1. Represent and describe whole numbers to 10 000, pictorially and symbolically. [C, CN, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Read a given four-digit numeral without using the word <i>and</i>; e.g., 5321 is five thousand three hundred twenty-one, NOT five thousand three hundred AND twenty-one.</li> <li>➤ Write a given numeral, using proper spacing without commas; e.g., 4567 or 4 567, 10 000.</li> <li>➤ Write a given numeral 0–10 000 in words.</li> <li>➤ Represent a given numeral, using a place value chart or diagrams.</li> <li>➤ Express a given numeral in expanded notation; e.g., <math>321 = 300 + 20 + 1</math>.</li> <li>➤ Write the numeral represented by a given expanded notation.</li> <li>➤ Explain the meaning of each digit in a given 4-digit numeral, including numerals with all digits the same; e.g., for the numeral 2222, the first digit represents two thousands, the second digit two hundreds, the third digit two tens and the fourth digit two ones.</li> </ul>
2. Compare and order numbers to 10 000. [C, CN, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Order a given set of numbers in ascending or descending order, and explain the order by making references to place value.</li> <li>➤ Create and order three different 4-digit numerals.</li> <li>➤ Identify the missing numbers in an ordered sequence or on a number line.</li> <li>➤ Identify incorrectly placed numbers in an ordered sequence or on a number line.</li> </ul>

<p>3. Demonstrate an understanding of addition of numbers with answers to 10 000 and their corresponding subtractions (limited to 3- and 4-digit numerals) by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using personal strategies for adding and subtracting</li> <li>• estimating sums and differences</li> <li>• solving problems involving addition and subtraction.</li> </ul> <p>[C, CN, ME, PS, R]</p>	<p>(Students investigate a variety of strategies and become proficient in at least one appropriate and efficient strategy that they understand.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Explain how to keep track of digits that have the same place value when adding numbers, limited to 3- and 4-digit numerals.</li> <li>➤ Explain how to keep track of digits that have the same place value when subtracting numbers, limited to 3- and 4-digit numerals.</li> <li>➤ Describe a situation in which an estimate rather than an exact answer is sufficient.</li> <li>➤ Estimate sums and differences, using different strategies; e.g., front-end estimation and compensation.</li> <li>➤ Refine personal strategies to increase their efficiency.</li> <li>➤ Solve problems that involve addition and subtraction of more than 2 numbers.</li> </ul>
<p>4. Apply the properties of 0 and 1 for multiplication and the property of 1 for division.</p> <p>[C, CN, R]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Determine the answer to a given question involving the multiplication of a number by 1, and explain the answer.</li> <li>➤ Determine the answer to a given question involving the multiplication of a number by 0, and explain the answer.</li> <li>➤ Determine the answer to a given question involving the division of a number by 1, and explain the answer.</li> </ul>

<p>5. Describe and apply mental mathematics strategies, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• skip counting from a known fact</li> <li>• using doubling or halving</li> <li>• using doubling or halving and adding or subtracting one more group</li> <li>• using patterns in the 9s facts</li> <li>• using repeated doubling</li> </ul> <p>to determine basic multiplication facts to <math>9 \times 9</math> and related division facts. [C, CN, ME, R]</p> <p>Understand and apply strategies for multiplication and related division facts to <math>9 \times 9</math>. Recall multiplication and related division facts to <math>7 \times 7</math>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Provide examples for applying mental mathematics strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• skip counting from a known fact; e.g., for <math>3 \times 6</math>, think <math>3 \times 5 = 15</math> plus <math>3 = 18</math></li> <li>• doubling; e.g., for <math>4 \times 3</math>, think <math>2 \times 3 = 6</math> and <math>4 \times 3 = 6 + 6</math></li> <li>• doubling and adding one more group; e.g., for <math>3 \times 7</math>, think <math>2 \times 7 = 14</math> and <math>14 + 7 = 21</math></li> <li>• use ten facts when multiplying by 9; e.g., for <math>9 \times 6</math>, think <math>10 \times 6 = 60</math> and <math>60 - 6 = 54</math>; for <math>7 \times 9</math>, think <math>7 \times 10 = 70</math> and <math>70 - 7 = 63</math></li> <li>• halving; e.g., if <math>4 \times 6</math> is equal to 24, then <math>2 \times 6</math> is equal to 12</li> <li>• relating division to multiplication; e.g., for <math>64 \div 8</math>, think <math>8 \times \square = 64</math></li> <li>• repeated doubling; e.g., for <math>4 \times 6</math>, think <math>2 \times 6 = 12</math> and <math>2 \times 12 = 24</math>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ Demonstrate understanding and application of strategies for multiplication and related division facts to <math>9 \times 9</math>.</li> <li>➤ Demonstrate recall/memorization of multiplication and related division facts to <math>7 \times 7</math>.</li> </ul>
<p>6. Demonstrate an understanding of multiplication (2- or 3-digit by 1-digit) to solve problems by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using personal strategies for multiplication with and without concrete materials</li> <li>• using arrays to represent multiplication</li> <li>• connecting concrete representations to symbolic representations</li> <li>• estimating products</li> <li>• applying the distributive property.</li> </ul> <p>[C, CN, ME, PS, R, V]</p>	<p>(Students investigate a variety of strategies and become proficient in at least one appropriate and efficient strategy that they understand.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Model a given multiplication problem, using the distributive property; e.g., <math>8 \times 365 = (8 \times 300) + (8 \times 60) + (8 \times 5)</math>.</li> <li>➤ Use concrete materials, such as base ten blocks or their pictorial representations, to represent multiplication; and record the process symbolically.</li> <li>➤ Create and solve a multiplication problem that is limited to 2- or 3-digits by 1-digit, and record the process.</li> <li>➤ Refine personal strategies to increase their efficiency.</li> <li>➤ Estimate a product, using a personal strategy; e.g., <math>2 \times 243</math> is close to or a little more than <math>2 \times 200</math>, or close to or a little less than <math>2 \times 250</math>.</li> <li>➤ Model and solve a given multiplication problem, using an array, and record the process.</li> <li>➤ Solve a given multiplication problem, and record the process.</li> </ul>

<p>7. Demonstrate an understanding of division (1-digit divisor and up to 2-digit dividend) to solve problems by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using personal strategies for dividing with and without concrete materials</li> <li>• estimating quotients</li> <li>• relating division to multiplication.</li> </ul> <p>[C, CN, ME, PS, R, V]</p>	<p>(It is not intended that remainders be expressed as decimals or fractions.) (Students investigate a variety of strategies and become proficient in at least one appropriate and efficient strategy that they understand.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Solve a given division problem without a remainder, using arrays or base ten materials, and connect this process to the symbolic representation.</li> <li>➤ Solve a given division problem with a remainder, using arrays or base ten materials, and connect this process to the symbolic representation.</li> <li>➤ Solve a given division problem, using a personal strategy, and record the process.</li> <li>➤ Refine personal strategies to increase their efficiency.</li> <li>➤ Create and solve a division problem involving a 1- or 2-digit dividend, and record the process.</li> <li>➤ Estimate a quotient, using a personal strategy; e.g., <math>86 \div 4</math> is close to <math>80 \div 4</math> or close to <math>80 \div 5</math>.</li> <li>➤ Solve a given division problem by relating division to multiplication; e.g., for <math>100 \div 4</math>, we know that <math>4 \times 25 = 100</math>, so <math>100 \div 4 = 25</math>.</li> </ul>
<p>8. Demonstrate an understanding of fractions less than or equal to one by using concrete, pictorial and symbolic representations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• name and record fractions for the parts of a whole or a set</li> <li>• compare and order fractions</li> <li>• model and explain that for different wholes, two identical fractions may not represent the same quantity</li> <li>• provide examples of where fractions are used.</li> </ul> <p>[C, CN, PS, R, V]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Represent a given fraction, using a region, object or set.</li> <li>➤ Identify a fraction from its given concrete representation.</li> <li>➤ Name and record the shaded and non-shaded parts of a given set.</li> <li>➤ Name and record the shaded and non-shaded parts of a given whole region, object or set.</li> <li>➤ Represent a given fraction pictorially by shading parts of a given set.</li> <li>➤ Represent a given fraction pictorially by shading parts of a given whole region, object or set.</li> <li>➤ Explain how denominators can be used to compare two given unit fractions with a numerator of 1.</li> <li>➤ Order a given set of fractions that have the same numerator, and explain the ordering.</li> <li>➤ Order a given set of fractions that have the same denominator, and explain the ordering.</li> <li>➤ Identify which of the benchmarks 0, <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> or 1 is closer to a given fraction.</li> <li>➤ Name fractions between two given benchmarks on a number line.</li> <li>➤ Order a given set of fractions by placing them on a number line with given benchmarks.</li> <li>➤ Provide examples of when two identical fractions may not represent the same quantity; e.g., half of a large apple is not equivalent to half of a small apple, half of ten Saskatoon berries is not equivalent to half of sixteen Saskatoon berries.</li> <li>➤ Provide, from everyday contexts, an example of a fraction that represents part of a set and an example of a fraction that represents part of a whole.</li> </ul>

<p>9. Represent and describe decimals (tenths and hundredths), concretely, pictorially and symbolically. [C, CN, R, V]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Write the decimal for a given concrete or pictorial representation of part of a set, part of a region or part of a unit of measure.</li> <li>➤ Represent a given decimal, using concrete materials or a pictorial representation.</li> <li>➤ Explain the meaning of each digit in a given decimal with all digits the same.</li> <li>➤ Represent a given decimal, using money values (dimes and pennies).</li> <li>➤ Record a given money value, using decimals.</li> <li>➤ Provide examples of everyday contexts in which tenths and hundredths are used.</li> <li>➤ Model, using manipulatives or pictures, that a given tenth can be expressed as a hundredth; e.g., 0.9 is equivalent to 0.90, or 9 dimes is equivalent to 90 pennies.</li> </ul>
<p>10. Relate decimals to fractions and fractions to decimals (to hundredths). [C, CN, R, V]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Express, orally and in written form, a given fraction with a denominator of 10 or 100 as a decimal.</li> <li>➤ Read decimals as fractions; e.g., 0.5 is zero and five tenths.</li> <li>➤ Express, orally and in written form, a given decimal in fraction form.</li> <li>➤ Express a given pictorial or concrete representation as a fraction or decimal; e.g., 15 shaded squares on a hundredth grid can be expressed as 0.15 or <math>\frac{15}{100}</math>.</li> <li>➤ Express, orally and in written form, the decimal equivalent for a given fraction; e.g., <math>\frac{50}{100}</math> can be expressed as 0.50.</li> </ul>
<p>11. Demonstrate an understanding of addition and subtraction of decimals (limited to hundredths) by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using personal strategies to determine sums and differences</li> <li>• estimating sums and differences</li> <li>• using mental mathematics strategies to solve problems.</li> </ul> <p>[C, ME, PS, R, V]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Predict sums and differences of decimals, using estimation strategies.</li> <li>➤ Determine the sum or difference of two given decimal numbers, using a mental mathematics strategy, and explain the strategy.</li> <li>➤ Refine personal strategies to increase their efficiency.</li> <li>➤ Solve problems, including money problems, which involve addition and subtraction of decimals, limited to hundredths.</li> <li>➤ Determine the approximate solution of a given problem not requiring an exact answer.</li> </ul>

**Strand: Patterns and Relations (Patterns)**

**General Outcome:** Use patterns to describe the world and to solve problems.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b> <i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b> <i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
1. <b>Identify and describe patterns found in tables and charts.</b> [C, CN, PS, V] [ICT: C6–2.3]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Identify and describe a variety of patterns in a multiplication chart.</li><li>➤ Determine the missing element(s) in a given table or chart.</li><li>➤ Identify the error(s) in a given table or chart.</li><li>➤ Describe the pattern found in a given table or chart.</li></ul>
2. <b>Translate among different representations of a pattern, such as a table, a chart or concrete materials.</b> [C, CN, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Create a concrete representation of a given pattern displayed in a table or chart.</li><li>➤ Create a table or chart from a given concrete representation of a pattern.</li></ul>
3. <b>Represent, describe and extend patterns and relationships, using charts and tables, to solve problems.</b> [C, CN, PS, R, V] [ICT: C6–2.3]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Translate the information in a given problem into a table or chart.</li><li>➤ Identify and extend the patterns in a table or chart to solve a given problem.</li></ul>
4. <b>Identify and explain mathematical relationships, using charts and diagrams, to solve problems.</b> [CN, PS, R, V] [ICT: C6–2.3]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Complete a given Carroll diagram to solve a problem.</li><li>➤ Determine where new elements belong in a given Carroll diagram.</li><li>➤ Identify a sorting rule for a given Venn diagram.</li><li>➤ Describe the relationship shown in a given Venn diagram when the circles intersect, when one circle is contained in the other and when the circles are separate.</li><li>➤ Determine where new elements belong in a given Venn diagram.</li><li>➤ Solve a given problem by using a chart or diagram to identify mathematical relationships.</li></ul>

**Strand: Patterns and Relations (Variables and Equations)**

**General Outcome:** Represent algebraic expressions in multiple ways.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b> <i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b> <i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
5. Express a given problem as an equation in which a symbol is used to represent an unknown number. [CN, PS, R]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Explain the purpose of the symbol in a given addition, subtraction, multiplication or division equation with one unknown; e.g., <math>36 \div \square = 6</math>.</li><li>➤ Express a given pictorial or concrete representation of an equation in symbolic form.</li><li>➤ Identify the unknown in a problem; represent the problem with an equation; and solve the problem concretely, pictorially or symbolically.</li><li>➤ Create a problem for a given equation with one unknown.</li></ul>
6. Solve one-step equations involving a symbol to represent an unknown number. [C, CN, PS, R, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Represent and solve a given one-step equation concretely, pictorially or symbolically.</li><li>➤ Solve a given one-step equation, using guess and test.</li><li>➤ Describe, orally, the meaning of a given one-step equation with one unknown.</li><li>➤ Solve a given equation when the unknown is on the left or right side of the equation.</li><li>➤ Represent and solve a given addition or subtraction problem involving a “part-part-whole” or comparison context, using a symbol to represent the unknown.</li><li>➤ Represent and solve a given multiplication or division problem involving equal grouping or partitioning (equal sharing), using a symbol to represent the unknown.</li></ul>

**Strand: Shape and Space (Measurement)**

**General Outcome:** Use direct and indirect measurement to solve problems.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b> <i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b> <i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
1. Read and record time, using digital and analog clocks, including 24-hour clocks. [C, CN, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ State the number of hours in a day.</li><li>➤ Express the time orally and numerically from a 12-hour analog clock.</li><li>➤ Express the time orally and numerically from a 24-hour analog clock.</li><li>➤ Express the time orally and numerically from a 12-hour digital clock.</li><li>➤ Express time orally and numerically from a 24-hour digital clock.</li><li>➤ Describe time orally as “minutes to” or “minutes after” the hour.</li><li>➤ Explain the meaning of a.m. and p.m., and provide an example of an activity that occurs during the a.m., and another that occurs during the p.m.</li></ul>
2. Read and record calendar dates in a variety of formats. [C, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Write dates in a variety of formats; e.g., yyyy/mm/dd, dd/mm/yyyy, March 21, 2007, dd/mm/yy.</li><li>➤ Relate dates written in the format yyyy/mm/dd to dates on a calendar.</li><li>➤ Identify possible interpretations of a given date; e.g., 06/03/04.</li></ul>
3. Demonstrate an understanding of area of regular and irregular 2-D shapes by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• recognizing that area is measured in square units</li><li>• selecting and justifying referents for the units <math>\text{cm}^2</math> or <math>\text{m}^2</math></li><li>• estimating area, using referents for <math>\text{cm}^2</math> or <math>\text{m}^2</math></li><li>• determining and recording area (<math>\text{cm}^2</math> or <math>\text{m}^2</math>)</li><li>• constructing different rectangles for a given area (<math>\text{cm}^2</math> or <math>\text{m}^2</math>) in order to demonstrate that many different rectangles may have the same area.</li></ul> [C, CN, ME, PS, R, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Describe area as the measure of surface recorded in square units.</li><li>➤ Identify and explain why the square is the most efficient unit for measuring area.</li><li>➤ Provide a referent for a square centimetre, and explain the choice.</li><li>➤ Provide a referent for a square metre, and explain the choice.</li><li>➤ Determine which standard square unit is represented by a given referent.</li><li>➤ Estimate the area of a given 2-D shape, using personal referents.</li><li>➤ Determine the area of a regular 2-D shape, and explain the strategy.</li><li>➤ Determine the area of an irregular 2-D shape, and explain the strategy.</li><li>➤ Construct a rectangle for a given area.</li><li>➤ Demonstrate that many rectangles are possible for a given area by drawing at least two different rectangles for the same given area.</li></ul>



**Strand: Shape and Space (3-D Objects and 2-D Shapes)**

**General Outcome:** Describe the characteristics of 3-D objects and 2-D shapes, and analyze the relationships among them.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b> <i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b> <i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
4. Describe and construct right rectangular and right triangular prisms. [C, CN, R, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Identify and name common attributes of right rectangular prisms from given sets of right rectangular prisms.</li><li>➤ Identify and name common attributes of right triangular prisms from given sets of right triangular prisms.</li><li>➤ Sort a given set of right rectangular and right triangular prisms, using the shape of the base.</li><li>➤ Construct and describe a model of a right rectangular and a right triangular prism, using materials such as pattern blocks or modelling clay.</li><li>➤ Construct right rectangular prisms from their nets.</li><li>➤ Construct right triangular prisms from their nets.</li><li>➤ Identify examples of right rectangular and right triangular prisms found in the environment.</li></ul>

**Strand: Shape and Space (Transformations)**

**General Outcome:** Describe and analyze position and motion of objects and shapes.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b>
<i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
5. Demonstrate an understanding of congruency concretely and pictorially. [CN, R, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Determine if two given 2-D shapes are congruent, and explain the strategy used.</li><li>➤ Create a shape that is congruent to a given 2-D shape.</li><li>➤ Identify congruent 2-D shapes from a given set of shapes shown in different orientations.</li><li>➤ Identify corresponding vertices and sides of two given congruent shapes.</li></ul>
6. Demonstrate an understanding of line symmetry by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• identifying symmetrical 2-D shapes</li><li>• creating symmetrical 2-D shapes</li><li>• drawing one or more lines of symmetry in a 2-D shape.</li></ul> [C, CN, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Identify the characteristics of given symmetrical and non-symmetrical 2-D shapes.</li><li>➤ Sort a given set of 2-D shapes as symmetrical and non-symmetrical.</li><li>➤ Complete a symmetrical 2-D shape, given half the shape and its line of symmetry.</li><li>➤ Identify lines of symmetry of a given set of 2-D shapes, and explain why each shape is symmetrical.</li><li>➤ Determine whether or not a given 2-D shape is symmetrical by using an image reflector or by folding and superimposing.</li><li>➤ Create a symmetrical shape with and without manipulatives.</li><li>➤ Provide examples of symmetrical shapes found in the environment, and identify the line(s) of symmetry.</li><li>➤ Sort a given set of 2-D shapes as those that have no lines of symmetry, one line of symmetry or more than one line of symmetry.</li></ul>

**Strand: Statistics and Probability (Data Analysis)**

**General Outcome:** Collect, display and analyze data to solve problems.

<b>Specific Outcomes</b> <i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<b>Achievement Indicators</b> <i>The following set of indicators <b>may</b> be used to determine whether students have met the corresponding specific outcome.</i>
1. <b>Demonstrate an understanding of many-to-one correspondence.</b> [C, R, T, V] [ICT: C6–2.2, C6–2.3]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Compare graphs in which the same data has been displayed using one-to-one and many-to-one correspondences, and explain how they are the same and different.</li><li>➤ Explain why many-to-one correspondence is sometimes used rather than one-to-one correspondence.</li><li>➤ Find examples of graphs in print and electronic media, such as newspapers, magazines and the Internet, in which many-to-one correspondence is used; and describe the correspondence used.</li></ul>
2. <b>Construct and interpret pictographs and bar graphs involving many-to-one correspondence to draw conclusions.</b> [C, PS, R, V]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Identify an interval and correspondence for displaying a given set of data in a graph, and justify the choice.</li><li>➤ Create and label (with categories, title and legend) a pictograph to display a given set of data, using many-to-one correspondence, and justify the choice of correspondence used.</li><li>➤ Create and label (with axes and title) a bar graph to display a given set of data, using many-to-one correspondence, and justify the choice of interval used.</li><li>➤ Answer a given question, using a given graph in which data is displayed using many-to-one correspondence.</li></ul>