

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: A

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student demonstrates an understanding of equality which led to multiple valid and correct solutions of 11. The student could move to an Advanced score by explaining their strategy of increasing and decreasing amounts to quickly come up with new ways to keep a difference or sum of 11.
Problem Solving	Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student produced multiple efficient solutions of 11 relevant to the problem. The students confirmed the reasonableness of one set of their equations: $7 + 4 = 8 + 3$
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student supported one solution with an explanation of counting. The student could move to a score of Advanced by using more mathematical language (balanced, equivalent, increase, decrease) to support their solution steps.
Representations and Connections	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student used 15 equations to model equivalent relationships. The student could move to a score of Advanced by making connections to the tens they subtracted using a number line, hundreds chart, calculator, etc. or by sharing their strategy for producing multiple equations for 11.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: B

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Emerging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student did not demonstrate an understanding of equality concepts. • The student applied limited mathematical concepts to create a string of unbalanced expressions.
Problem Solving	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student’s problem solving strategy displays a limited understanding of equality • The student does not use a problem solving strategy that is relevant to the problem.
Communication and Reasoning	Emerging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student does not provide correct reasoning or justification to support their work. • The student uses no mathematical language to communicate thinking.
Representations and Connections	Emerging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student does not use a representation that models a balanced equation. • The student could move to a score of Developing by using a number balance to model and correct their thinking.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: C

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrated an understanding of equality concepts. ($3 \times 3 = 1 \times 9$). The student states that both sides of equation make the same number. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by showing another example.
Problem Solving	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student confirms the solution with a picture and an explanation showing that both sides of the equation are the same. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by using their strategy to create more examples.
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student supports their reasoning with a picture and a written explanation. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by explaining how their two pictorial representations are related.
Representations and Connections	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student used a representation to model their problem. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by creating more examples to connect and extend their thinking and deepen their understanding.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: D

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates an understanding of equality by providing five examples of equivalent equations. • The student makes a generalization of the identity property (times one).
Problem Solving	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student’s problem solving strategy demonstrates an understanding of equality. • The student produces solutions relevant to the problem and confirms the reasonableness of one solution.
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates reasoning for one equation. • The student uses mathematical language to communicate their thinking when describing what happens when you multiply by 1.
Representations and Connections	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student uses five representations to model the problem. • The student makes a connection to the identity property of multiplication.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: E

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates an understanding of equality. • The student produced a valid and correct solution.
Problem Solving	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student’s problem solving strategy displayed an understanding of equality. • The student confirms the reasonableness of their solution with several representations.
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student justifies their solution steps. • The student supports the claim that their equation is true with evidence.
Representations and Connections	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student uses multiple representations (fact families, pictures) to model their solution. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by creating more solutions and demonstrating connections among each solution.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: F

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates an understanding of equality and the computation associated with the task. • The student applies their understanding of equality leading to numerous valid and correct solutions.
Problem Solving	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student’s problem solving strategy displays an understanding of equality. • The student produces numerous solutions relevant to the task and confirms the reasonableness of two solutions.
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates reasoning for two solutions. • The student uses mathematical language to communicate thinking (They both equal...)
Representations and Connections	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student makes several incomplete representations to model the problem. • The student could move to a score of Proficient by using the equal symbol in their solutions and by making a mathematical connection for at least one solution.

Anchor Paper Scoring and Rationales

Task: Equality Possibilities

Student: G

Criteria	Performance Level (Advanced, Proficient, Developing, Emerging)	Rationale
Mathematical Understanding	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student demonstrates an understanding of the concepts and skills associated with this equality task. • The student applies mathematical skills which lead to several valid and correct solutions.
Problem Solving	Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student’s problem solving strategy for creating eight equivalent equations is both well developed and efficient.
Communication and Reasoning	Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student justifies solution steps. • The student could move to a score of Advanced by using more precise mathematical language and by being more detailed in explaining their strategy for finding equivalencies.
Representations and Connections	Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student uses representations to analyze relationships and extend thinking. • The student uses mathematical connections to deepen understanding. For example, the student frequently takes a basic fact to create a larger friendly number. (“.5 plus 8 equals 13 so 50 plus 80 would be 130.”)