STEAM Lesson Plan

DIGITAL SYLLABICS





Curriculum Connections

Math (5) E1.5 describe and perform translations, reflections, and rotations up to 180° on a grid, and predict the results of these transformations

Math (6) E1.1 create lists of the geometric properties of various types of quadrilaterals, including the properties of the diagonals, rotational symmetry, and line symmetry

Math (6) E1.2 construct three-dimensional objects when given their top, front, and side views



Learning Goals

To learn the properties of translations, rotations and reflections and to gain a deeper understanding of syllabics and the role these math properties have on the syllabics.



Materials

Tinkercad.com - free web based software Syllabics Chart - Oji-Cree Computer mouse (recommended for Tinkercad)



Activity 1- Assessment of learning, check for student understanding. Activity 2 - tinkercad creations of syllabics Activity 3 - demonstrate understanding of concepts



Limit the number of syllabics student needs to design Limit number of designs to complete on worksheet Access to computer mouse will assist with fine motor skill controls Student can work with TA



Teaching/Learning Strategies

Introduction (minds on/activate prior knowledge)

TinkerCad fundamental navigation (tutorials and teacher guide link) Create initial shape(s) Copy shapes Rotate shapes

Quadrilateral names and attributes

Identify quadrilaterals as squares, rectangles, trapezoids, rhom bus, parallelograms or irregular.

Students draw a triangle on graph paper to review coordinate graphing and labeling points

Syllabics Chart



New Learning (30 minutes) (give/demonstrate new information)

Activity 1

Teacher introduces concepts with the aid of graph paper and front of class modeling

Terms and concepts associated with Transformational Geometry (definitions on worksheet)

Translation (pre-image, image and congruence)

Left/Right Up/Down Rotation 90 degrees

Guided Practice (40 minutes) (checking for student understanding)

Teacher pre setup instructions link Watch training videos on block manipulation as refresher Create Copy

Rotate

Create custom shapes for each syllabic Note which shapes are rotations Note reflection within the syllabic characters Note Lines of symmetry within the syllabic characters



Application (activity to reinforce/demonstrate learning)

Worksheet to do translations, rotations, reflections with syllabics

Recognizing math concepts of reflection, translation and rotation are found in many designs in everyday life

Reflection (what did/didn't work) Next Steps (what to teach/re-teach)







New to TinkerCad?

We selected TinkerCad software for this project as it's designed for a classroom environment. The software is web based so it will work on any recent student device (including iPads & Chromebooks).

Tinkercad is a free-of-charge, and easy to get your class setup with an email login. As a teacher you can monitor students work from one place. We have included some helpful links but recommend taking a few minutes to explore the software before starting the lesson with your students.

Students will use some navigation and basic tools for building this lesson. It is designed to be an entry level activity, but we recommend that learners had taken part in some of the tutorials on the TinkerCad student portal before beginning.

Link : https://www.tinkercad.com/learn/designs?collectionId=OSZ5W2BL1W5N51Fv

In this activity students can choose between two different design approaches to create syllabics in the TinkerCad software.

Encourage the learners to try both techniques before deciding on a method.

Oji-cree Syllabics Character with Roman Orthography



Option 1 - Build with shapes

This option allows learners to construct the syllabics using a library of existing shapes.

The process will result in more straight lines and the ability to have better control of scale and demensions.





Option 2 - Draw the syllabics

This option allows for users to practice their fine motor skills in illustrating the shapes free hand.

This approach can give a natural freehand look but will require practice









Translation



Draw your first option to the right while holding down the option key.

Complete this translation of 30 units to the right (repeat two more times)



Students can practice the use of translations, rotations, and reflections to create their syllabics.







To create a **reflection**, students will need to select the the first shape and use the mirror tool



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KAH

Select the shape and the **rotation** tool will appear. Rotate the "Ko" character 180 degrees





To create a reflection, students will need to select the the first shape and use the mirror tool





Save your custom shapes

On the drop down on the right hand side select the "Your Creation" option.

Select the syllabic character that you would like to save and click on "Create Shape".



Name the new shape using the roman orthography characters to make it easier to find at a later date.

You can add additional information in the description.

They syllabic will now be saved to the account and available to use for future projects.





