Equations - A Co-Teaching Lesson Plan

Co-Teaching Approaches
A “(Y)” in front of the following list items indicates the approach is outlined in the lesson. A “(N)” in front of the following list items indicates the approach is not outlined in the lesson.

- (N) Parallel Teaching  
- (Y) Team Teaching  
- (Y) Station Teaching  
- (N) One Teach/One Observe  
- (N) Alternative Teaching  
- (Y) One Teach/One Assist

Subject
Solving one and two step linear equations

Strand/Reporting Category
Patterns, Functions, and Algebra

Topic/Lesson
Solving one and two-step equations.

Standards
7.12

Lesson Outcomes
The student will be able to solve one and two step equations using numbers, variables, and models.

Materials
- Model Match Equation Practice (attached)
- Equation Balance Mat
- Calculators

Vocabulary
Expression, Equation, Variable, Inverse Operations, Balance, One-step equation, Two-step equation
## Co-Teacher Actions

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<td><strong>Anticipatory Set</strong></td>
<td>One Teach/One Assist</td>
<td>Present students with the following scenario as a Think-Pair-Share Activity: Joe and his friend Bob together have 17 games. If Joe has 6 games, how many does Bob have? Have students represent the scenario with an equation and solve it.</td>
<td>Assist students in developing an equation by walking around the classroom and providing general hints and/or guidance for getting started.</td>
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| Lesson Activities/Procedures | Team Teaching | 1) Discuss the scenario and students’ equations as a class, incorporating vocabulary when possible.  
2) Provide students with foldable notes for solving one and two step equations.  
3) Complete the one-step equation side of the foldable notes and work through examples on the board.  
4) Ask students to do the one-step equation practice on the back of the foldable and check for correctness via board work or by checking each student as they finish.  
5) Repeat Steps 1-4 and then proceed to activities listed below OR save two-step equations and activities listed below for a later date. | Special Educator to participate in team teaching approach by adding information to class discussion and presenting questions with general educator.  
Special Educator and General Educator may break away from team teaching and change to a one teach/one assist during note taking activity as necessary based on student/classroom needs and accommodations. |

| Guided/Independent Practice | Station Teaching | **Station Activity to last 20-30 minutes**  
1) Use balance mat and examples (attached) to review solving equations, beginning with one step. Guide students through 2-3 | **Station Activity to last 20-30 minutes**  
1) Introduce the concept of using models (or pictures) to represent equations by providing 2-3 examples on the board or a small white board visible only to the |
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<td>examples using the balance mat prior to asking them to work independently on the balance mat worksheet. Monitor students for understanding and provide assistance/guidance as needed.</td>
<td>group. Encourage students to always read the key carefully when presented with model problems. *this will depend on the placement of each group and the availability of resources and/or space for station work. 2) Provide students with model sorting mat and cards (attached) and discuss letters A and B before allowing students to work alone. 3) Check sorting mat prior to providing students with worksheet to record their results and continue practicing.</td>
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<td>Closure</td>
<td>Team Teaching</td>
<td>Student Exit Ticket: Write the steps/process for solving a one-step and a two-step equation.</td>
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<td>Formative Assessment Strategies</td>
<td>Team Teaching</td>
<td>General Educator to participate in team teaching approach by adding information to class discussion and presenting questions with special educator.</td>
<td>Pose the following questions to the class: 1) What is the primary difference between an equation and an expression? 2) When solving an equation, why is it important to perform the same operation(s) on both sides of the equal sign? What are the differences between solving one-step equations and solving two-step equations?</td>
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<td>Homework</td>
<td>Team Teaching</td>
<td>This lesson has been designed to incorporate foldable notes for all students, which can be especially beneficial for students with disabilities. Some teachers prefer to teach one and</td>
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<td>two-step equations on the same day while others prefer to split into multiple days. The sorting activity provided with this lesson includes both one and two-step equations and should be used only after both types have been taught.</td>
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**Specially Designed Instruction**

- When grouping students for stations, some students should be grouped together to allow for more assistance and specially designed instruction within the station activities.
- Provide worked examples for students and ask them to describe the process as a means to check for understanding.
- Students who may need additional support or assistance beginning a task such as the sorting mat may be provided with the correct solutions for each problem and asked to demonstrate the process in which the solution can be found.

**Accommodations**

- Students who require copies of classroom notes as an accommodation should be provided with notes that have the information and steps already typed in. They will still have the option of completing the examples for themselves/with the class.
- Use different types of manipulatives and online resources to assist students with solving equations.
- Have students model/draw each step of solving an equation on a separate balance mat.
- Reduce number of problems required during station work

**Modifications**

- For those students requiring a modified curriculum, content could be modified to solving one-step equations limited to adding and subtracting.

**Notes**

- “Special Educator” as noted in this lesson plan might be an EL Teacher, Speech Pathologist, or other specialist co-teaching with a General Educator.
- Foldable notes attached to this lesson plan are designed to be printed in a front/back format. Students should fold down to the bold line so that ‘one-step equations’ and ‘two-step equations’ is on the front. Students should cut up to the crease (along the
dotted line) to produce to flaps for each side. Notes are provided in fillable form or already completed.

Note: The following pages are intended for classroom use for students as a visual aid to learning.

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Sample Balance
Sample Balance Mat

Name ___________________________  Date ____________________

[Blank rectangles for drawing balance]
One-Step Equations to Balances

\[ p + 5 = 13 \]

\[ 7p = 21 \]

\[ p + 2 = 8 \]

\[ 5p = 30 \]

\[ p + 6 = 9 \]
Two-Step Equations to Balances

4p + 3 = 11

21 = 5p + 6

17 = 2p + 3

3p + 7 = 22

4p + 2 = 14
Model Madness
Sorting Mat

Directions: Use a separate sheet of paper to find the solution for each model provided then place the model(s) in the appropriate box on the mat.

Key:   = x   = -1

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{x} &= 2 \\
\text{x} &= -2 \\
\text{x} &= -3 \\
\text{x} &= 4
\end{align*} \]
Model Madness

Directions: Transfer the letter of each answer from the sorting mat to the appropriate box below (1-16).

\[
\begin{array}{cc}
    x = 2 & x = -2 \\
    \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ \\
    \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ \\
    x = -3 & x = 4 \\
    \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ \\
\end{array}
\]

Directions: Use the keys provided for each set of questions to solve the model problems.

17. Key: \[
\begin{array}{c}
    \_\_\_\_\_ \\
    = \ _\_\_\_\_ \\
    = x \\
    \_\_\_\_\_ \\
\end{array}
\]

17. \[
\begin{array}{c}
    \_\_\_\_\_ \\
\end{array}
\]

18. \[
\begin{array}{c}
    \_\_\_\_\_ \\
\end{array}
\]

19. \[
\begin{array}{c}
    \_\_\_\_\_ \\
\end{array}
\]
Directions: Using the key provided, draw a model to represent the equations provided.

21.

22.

23.

24. \(2x + 3 = 7\)

25. \(x + 4 = -2\)
# Model Madness

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| O | I | M | E |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| H | B | L | P |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| C | N | D | K |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| G | A | F | J |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

= 4

= -3

= 2

= -2
Directions: Transfer the letter of each answer from the sorting mat to the appropriate box below (* 1-16).

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Key:  

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2x = 10  
x = 5

18.  

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x + 3 = -4  
x = -7

19.  

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3x + (-4) = 2  
x = 2

20.  

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4x + (-2) = 14  
x = 4
Directions: Using the key provided, draw a model to represent the equations provided.

21. $x + (-4) = 2$
   $x = 6$

22. $2x + 2 = 12$
   $x = 5$

23. $x + (-2) = 6$
   $x = 8$

24. $2x + 3 = 7$

25. $x + 4 = -2$
Two-Step Equation Practice Problems
Solve AND Check on your own...

1) 25x - 3 = 97
2) 10 = -2c + 22
3) 3a - 5 = -14
4) 8x - 6 = 10
5) 7x + 3 = 18

One-Step Equation Practice Problems
Solve AND Check on your own...

1) x + 12 = 24
2) 3(x) = 15
3) 10 = x + 12
4) -4 = x - 18
5) \( \frac{x}{5} = 9 \)
Steps to Solving one-step equations
1) Draw __________ __________ to separate the problem
2) Get the variable by itself by using the _________ (opposite) operation
3) Apply the __________ __________
4) Put in proper math etiquette (variable on the _______)

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Steps to Solving two-step equations
1) Draw __________ __________ to separate the problem
2) Circle the “__________” couple
3) Apply the golden rule to the __________ couple by using the inverse operation
4) Apply the golden rule to the married couple using the inverse operation
5) Put in proper _______ ___________ (variable on the left)

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<th>2) $(3x + 9) = 17$</th>
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<td>3) $(\frac{a}{2}) - 6 = 12$</td>
<td>4) $-4 = (\frac{2a}{3}) - 13$</td>
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- An ___________ is a mathematical sentence that contains an equal (=) sign
- _________________: What you do to one side you MUST do to the other.
- _________________: the opposite of (+) is (-) and the opposite of (x) is (÷)
Two-Step Equation Practice Problems
Solve AND Check on your own...

1) $25x - 3 = 97$
2) $10 = -2c + 22$
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3) $10 = x + 12$
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Steps to Solving one-step equations

1) Draw railroad tracks to separate the problem
2) Get the variable by itself by using the inverse (opposite) operation
3) Apply the Golden Rule
4) Put in proper math etiquette (variable on the left)

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Steps to Solving two-step equations

1) Draw railroad tracks to separate the problem
2) Circle the “married” couple
3) Apply the golden rule to the NON married couple by using the inverse operation
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5) Put in proper math etiquette (variable on the left)

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- An equation is a mathematical sentence that contains an equal (=) sign
- **Golden Rule for Equations:** What you do to one side you MUST do to the other.
- **Inverse Operations:** the opposite of (+) is (-) and the opposite of (x) is (÷)