

Project INSPIRE Course Objectives

Course 4: Geometry and Tactile Graphics for Students in Grades 3-8

Lesson 1: Basic Shapes and Angles Used in Geometry

- 1.1 Participants will be able to read and write the names of basic shapes in Nemeth Code within UEB contexts
- 1.2 Participants will be able to read and write problems containing geometric math expressions
- 1.3 Participants will be able to read and write problems containing shapes to represent omitted material

Lesson 2: The Five-Step Rule and Exceptions

- 2.1 Participants will be able to read and write modified expressions created using:
 - The Five-Step rule
 - Two important exceptions to the Five-Step Rule
- 2.2 Participants will be able to read and write the Nemeth Code symbols for parallel, perpendicular, not parallel, and not perpendicular
- 2.1 Participants will be able to read and write sentences containing modified expressions

Lesson 3: Materials and Strategies for Geometry Instruction

- 3.1 Participants will be able to identify materials that can be used when teaching geometry and tactile graphics to students in grades 3-8
- 3.2 Participants will be able to recognize ways they can support math instruction for students in grades 3-8 who are learning geometry

Lesson 4: Creating Quick and Efficient Tactile Graphics

- 4.1 Participants will be able to identify methods, tools, and materials that can be used to create tactile graphics
- 4.2 Participants will be able to understand the importance of the BANA Guidelines when creating tactile graphics
- 4.3 Participants will be able to identify the steps needed to plan and create a tactile graphic

Lesson 5: Teaching Your Student to Create Their Own Drawings

- 5.1 Participants will be able to state why it is important for a student to be able to create their own drawings

- 5.2 Participants will be able to name a variety of tools a student can use to create their own drawings
- 5.3 Participants will be able to identify multiple ways a student can create their own drawings

Lesson 6: Systematically Teaching Graphics Literacy Skills to Students

- 6.1 Participants will be able to become familiar with the AnimalWatch Vi: Building Graphics Literacy tool
- 6.2 Participants will be able to identify graphics literacy skills students need to develop in order to be efficient in locating and interpreting information

Lesson 7: Strategies for Developing Students' Thinking Skills

- 7.1 Participants will be able to identify different "types" of thinking and how they can help to develop self-regulated learning that can be applied to reading graphics
- 7.2 Participants will be able to describe ways to infuse thinking opportunities into instruction with tactile graphics