	MOVING STRAIGHT AHEAD Linear Relationships	
Instructional Time and Investigations	25 days	 Inv. 1: Walking Rates (4 Problems) Inv. 2: Exploring Linear Relationships With Graphs and Tables (4 Problems) Inv. 3: Solving Equations (5 Problems) Inv. 4: Exploring Slope: Connecting Rates and Ratios (4 Problems)
Goals	 Linear Relationships: Recognize problem situations in which two variables have a linear relationship. Two variables are in a linear relationship if one variable is changing by a constant amount when the other variable changes by increments of 1 unit. The rate of change in a linear relationship is represented by the slope of the line representing the relationship. The equation y = mx is a particular kind of linear relationship in which x and y are proportional to each other. 	 Equivalence: Understand that the equality sign indicates that two expressions are equivalent. Solutions for linear equations of the form y = mx + b are pairs of values (x, y) which make this equation true. Graphically, solution pairs are points on the graph of the line. Properties of equality can be used to maintain equivalent expressions on each side of the equation when finding a solution. Determining which equivalent expression to use in solving a problem is important.
Common Core Standards	 Common Core Standards for Mathematical Practice MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them. MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively. MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others. MP.4: Model with mathematics. MP.5: Use appropriate tools strategically. MP.6: Attend to precision. MP.7: Look for and make use of structure. MP.8: Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning. 	 Common Core Content Standards 7.RP.A.2: Recognize and represent proportional relationships between quantities. 7.EE.A.1: Apply properties of operations as strategies to add, subtract, factor, and expand linear expressions with rational coefficients. 7.EE.A.2: Understand that rewriting an expression in different forms in a problem context can shed light on the problem and how the quantities in it are related. 7.EE.B.4: Use variables to represent quantities in a real-world or mathematical problem, and construct simple equations and inequalities to solve problems by reasoning about the quantities. Also 7.RP.A.2a-d, 7.EE.B.3, 7.EE.B4a-b

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	Content Connections to Other Units	
Goals of the Unit	Prior Work	Future Work
Linear Relationships: Recognize problem situations in which two variables have a	 Graphing data in the coordinate plane; using symbols to represent relationships between variables (Variables and Patterns; Accentuate the Negative; Comparing and Scaling) 	 Identifying and interpreting patterns of change for exponential (y = ax), quadratic (y = ax² + bx + c), and inverse variation relationships (e.g. y = k/x) (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Growing, Growing, Growing; Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes; Say It With Symbols; Function Junction)
linear relationship.	• Expressing relationships between variables in words, symbols, graphs, and tables (Variables and Patterns; Covering and Surrounding; Shapes and Designs; Comparing and Scaling)	• Writing and interpreting equations that represent linear, inverse, exponential, and quadratic relationships (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Growing, Growing, Growing; Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes; Say It With Symbols; It's In the System; Function Junction)
	 Computing and interpreting ratios (Comparing Bits and Pieces; Decimal Ops; Stretching and Shrinking; 	 Analyzing linear models and interpreting slope of lines representing linear relationships (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Growing, Growing, Growing)
	Comparing and Scaling) Finding rates of change in relationships between two 	 Finding the slope of a line to determine an equation in y = mx + b form (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Say It With Symbols; It's In the System)
	 variables (Variables and Patterns; Comparing and Scaling) Understanding positive and negative rational numbers (Accentuate the Negative) Graphing relationships between two variables (Variables and Patterns; Comparing and Scaling) Finding values of the variables in a linear relationship 	 Interpreting and constructing graphs of lines; determining the equation of lines (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Growing, Growing, Growing; Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes; Say It With Symbols; It's In the System; Function Junction)
		 Graphing step and piecewise-defined functions (Function Junction)
		 Finding values of the variables in more complicated linear equations (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Say It With Symbols; It's in the System)
	using graphs or tables or numeric reasoning (Variables and Patterns; Comparing and Scaling)	• Finding values of the variables for exponential and quadratic relationships using tables, graphs, and symbolic methods (<i>Growing</i> , <i>Growing</i> , <i>Growing</i> ; <i>Frogs</i> , <i>Fleas</i> , <i>and Painted Cubes</i>)
		• Solving systems of linear equations; interpreting, graphing, and solving inequalities (It's In the System)
	 Understanding the meaning of parallel and intersecting lines (Shapes and Designs) 	• Finding and interpreting points of intersection of two or more graphs of relationships from graphs or tables (Thinking With Mathematical Models; Growing, Growing, Growing; Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes, Say It With Symbols; It's In the System)
		 Interpreting parallel and perpendicular lines (Looking for Pythagoras)
		• Analyzing equivalent linear and quadratic expressions (Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes; Say It With Symbols)
		• Finding the solution to a system of linear equations and interpreting and graphing inequalities (It's In the System)
Equivalence: Understand that the	 Understanding inequalities (Comparing Bits and Pieces; Variables and Patterns; Accentuate the Negative) 	• Solving more complicated linear inequalities (It's In the System)
equality sign indicates that two expressions are equivalent.	• Writing and interpreting equivalent numeric expressions (Prime Time; Variables and Patterns; Comparing and Scaling)	• Writing and interpreting equivalent linear, exponential and quadratic expressions (Growing, Growing, Growing; Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes; Say It With Symbols; It's In the System; Function Junction)