# DIXIE STATE COLLEGE - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LESSON PLAN - SECONDARY 

Teacher Candidate Brianna Larmore Grade Level $\_8$ Subject/Content:_Math Unit 6 Title 6.3-Classifying Triangles

CONTEXTUAL FACTORS (e.g. ethnicity, gender, exceptionalities, ELL, GATE, etc.) which need differentiation in instruction and assessment.

- 6 Hispanic students ( 2 have language difficulties)
- 3 Honors - Bound students ( 2 others have ability but lack confidence)
- 5 students with IEPs (learning disabilities)

WALK-AWAY (what do I want students to know, understand, and be able to do?)

## Content Walk-Away:

- Rearrange angles of a triangle in order to discover the underlying principle that the sum of the measures of a triangle equal $180^{\circ}$, or a straight line.
- Classify triangles based on the number of equal sides and angles it contains.
- Use classifications of triangles to deduce algebraically the measures of a missing angle.


## Reading/Language Walk-Away:

- Equilateral: 3 equal sides, 3 equal angles
- Isosceles: 2 equal sides, 2 equal angles ('bottom' of the two equal sides, base angles)
- Scalene: no equal sides, no equal angles
- Acute: all angles measure less than $90^{\circ}$
- Right: one angle equals $90^{\circ}$
- Obtuse: one angle measures greater than $90^{\circ}$

| ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE (formative/summative checks for |  |
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| learning) (Match the Content Walk-Away) | Modifications/Accommodations <br> (ELL, IEP, GATE, etc.) |

Participation:

- Creation of paper triangle, labeling its angles, and rearranging said angles into a line
- Call on students semi-randomly to provide assistance and answer open-ended questions
- Match vocabulary terms to specific pictorial references (have students come to the board and label objects themselves.)
- Involve all students.

In classwork:

- Students answer open-ended questions specific to what they and their partner are working on together.
- Observations of students assisting peers while in small groups/pairs.
Homework:
- PLC created common assessment
- 30 total problems: 15 classifying only, 9 solve algebraically for a missing angle, and 6 to maintain skills from previous units
- Allow ELL students to converse in native tongue while working in small groups/pairs.
- Insist on deeper answers from honors-bound students. Have them answer the "but why...?" and "why would that matter?" questions.
- Scaffold students with an IEP, but don't let them off the hook. Verbally walk them through their own thinking.

| ACTIVE LEARNING PLAN | Modifications/ Accommodations (ELL, IEP, GATE, etc.) |
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| Activate Prior Knowledge/Experiences <br> - Today we are going to take what we know about angles and expand that information to include triangles. <br> Focus Lesson ("I do it") <br> - Cut 1 triangle of your own. It can be wide, skinny, big, try not to go super tiny. Encourage students to make a triangle that looks different from their neighbors'. <br> - Label each angle of your triangle $1,2,3$ <br> - Cut the angles apart and place angles next to each other. <br> - Have students compare their angle groupings to those of their neighbor. They should all be straight lines. <br> Guided Instruction ("We do it") <br> - Have students try to deduce what each new vocabulary word means. <br> - Have them look at the pictures, and recall what they have already learned in previous classes about triangles. <br> - Classifications: <br> - Equilateral: 3 equal sides, 3 equal angles <br> - Isosceles: 2 equal sides, 2 equal angles ('bottom' of the two equal sides, base angles) <br> - Scalene: no equal sides, no equal angles <br> - Acute: all angles measure less than $90^{\circ}$ <br> - Right: one angle equals $90^{\circ}$ <br> - Obtuse: one angle measures greater than $90^{\circ}$ <br> Collaborative/Cooperative ("You do it together") <br> - Have students identify and classify various triangles around the classroom. <br> - The wall, ceiling and American flag <br> - The sides and diagonal of the Smart Board <br> - Have them find or mention of few of their own <br> - Students work in pairs to solve the even problems 2-14. <br> Independent ("You do it alone") <br> - The odd problems and back of the worksheet are to be finished alone at home. <br> Summarization/Closure <br> - Sum of interior angles of ANY triangle is $180^{\circ}$ <br> - Equilateral triangles have all equal sides and all equal angles. <br> - Isosceles triangles have two equal sides and two equal "base" angles <br> - Scalene triangles have no equal sides nor equal angles | - Include IEP <br> learners after a peers' example has been given. Use color-coding and visual representations. <br> - Separate honorsbound students and have them collaborate with middle range peers. The peer tutoring will cement their knowledge of the content. <br> - For ELL, speak slowly. Refer new vocabulary to information and terms they are already familiar with. Ask them for personal examples of interior, exterior, etc. |

## NOTES TO TEACHER

What do I need to remember to do?

- Allow students to move angles around for a while. Let them see the relationship themselves if possible.
- They know some of this information already, they just need a refresher on which one deals with sides and which with angles
Materials to have ready?
- Scissors (class set)
- Bright colored paper
- Smart Board / PowerPoint Presentation and projector
- WS 6.3
- Dry Erase markers

Approximate time needed for lesson? 70 minutes

