Lesson Plan

Three-dimensional shapes - Identifying Spheres

Kindergarten (K) - Math

LEARNING TARGET

- Students will be able to correctly name spheres regardless of their orientations or overall size.
- Students will be able to identify and compare spheres with other 3D shapes.

LEARNING PROGRESSION

PREREQUISITE SKILL

No Prerequisite Skills

EXTENSION SKILL

No Extension Skills

DURATION MATERIALS VOCABULARY

- Introduction (5 minutes)
- Instruction (15 minutes)
- Guided Practice (15 minutes)
- Independent Practice (15 minutes)
- Exit Card Formative Assessment (5 minutes)
- Closure (5 minutes)

- Various sized spheres (at least 5)
- Other 3D shapes (cubes, cones, cylinders)
- Whiteboard and markers
- Sphere
 - 3D shape
 - Orientations
 - Compare Size

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Show the students a sphere and ask them if they know what it is.
- 2. Explain that a sphere is a shape that is round like a ball.
- 3. Show the students spheres of different sizes and colors and ask them to describe what they see.

INSTRUCTION

- 1. Review the concept of spheres and their characteristics.
- 2. Explain that spheres can be oriented in different ways and come in different sizes, but they are all still spheres.
- 3. Show the students spheres of different orientations and sizes and ask them to describe what they see.

GUIDED PRACTICE

- 1. Divide the students into small groups and provide each group with a container of spheres.
- 2. Instruct the students to work together to identify and name the spheres regardless of their orientations or overall size.
- 3. Circulate around the room to provide support and guidance as needed.

INDEPENDENT PRACTICE

- 1. Provide each student with a whiteboard and marker.
- 2. Instruct students to draw a sphere in any orientation and size, and label it correctly.

HOMEWORK

- 1. Ask students to find three spherical objects in their homes or in their environment and draw a picture of them.
- 2. Instruct students to label the objects as spheres and write a short description of their characteristics such as size, color, and orientation.
- 3. Encourage students to share their findings with the class during the next lesson.

EXIT TICKET

- 1. Provide each student with a whiteboard and marker.
- 2. Instruct students to draw a sphere in any orientation and size, and label it correctly.

SUMMATIVE

- 1. Formative assessments will be conducted during the lesson to monitor students' understanding of spheres and their characteristics.
- 2. The exit ticket and progress monitoring assessments will be used to determine students' mastery of identifying and naming spheres regardless of their orientations or overall size.

CLOSING

- 1. Ask students to share one thing they learned about spheres today, and write their responses on the board.
- 2. Review the importance of being able to identify and name spheres regardless of their orientations or overall size.
- 3. Encourage students to practice identifying and naming spheres in their daily lives and report their findings to the class during the next lesson.

TEACHING TIPS

- 1. Use visual aids such as pictures or diagrams to help students understand the concept of spheres.
- 2. Provide hands-on learning opportunities such as using spheres of different sizes and colors.
- 3. Encourage students to use descriptive language when identifying and naming spheres.

MISCONCEPTIONS

- 1. Students may struggle to identify spheres that are not perfectly round.
- 2. Students may confuse spheres with other round shapes such as circles or cylinders.
- 3. Students may struggle to identify spheres that are oriented in a non-standard position.

EXTENSION

- 1. Students can compare and contrast different shapes with spheres.
- 2. Students can explore the different properties of spheres such as weight, texture, and bounce.

INTERVENTION

- 1. For students who struggle with visual perception, larger and brightly colored spheres can be used.
- 2. For students who need extra support, a visual aid or diagram can be provided to help them understand the concept of spheres.

COMMON CORE STANDARD

K.G.A.2 - Correctly name shapes regardless of their orientations or overall size.

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