

Problem Solving

Unit: Locomotor Skills/Movement Forms

Grades: K-2

Key: *PT = Practical Thinking, AT = Analytical Thinking, CT = Creative Thinking, RT = Research-Based Thinking*

<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea, given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students determine that staying in personal space will keep them safe. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> Students categorize movements as animal movements or locomotor skills. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> “What will happen if I’m not looking where I’m going?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> Students observe that they sometimes move towards the middle of the gym in large groups. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> Students determine a way to prevent moving to the middle. (PT/AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i> Students play the game Sculptor. (CT) Students create their own ways of moving. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Teambuilding

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i> “What similarities are there between sportsmanship, communication, and teamwork?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> “Which part of _____ was the easiest/hardest for you?” (AT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i> “What can we say about the way you are trying this?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> “What do you think will happen if we try this idea?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> “How many times have we tried doing it this way? How many times has it worked?” (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> “How can we improve our teamwork/sportsmanship/communication during this activity?” (AT) “Is there a better idea?” (AT) “How can we make _____ more/less challenging?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i> Students provide examples of items listed on the “Do/Don’t Do” lists. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Fitness Concepts

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine that strength activities only target one area of our body, whereas endurance activities work the whole body. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students sort teacher provided activities as either strength or endurance. (PT/AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>Students determine which fitness area they need the most improvement on. (AT/RT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students use FitnessGram results to identify fitness areas they need to improve. (AT/RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can you improve your running/push-ups/strength scores?” (AT/PT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create lists of strength activities and endurance activities. (CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Students create a fitness plan. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Throwing/Catching

Grades: K-2

Key: PT = Practical Thinking, AT = Analytical Thinking, CT = Creative Thinking, RT = Research-Based Thinking

<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students determine that whenever we throw, we need to take a step.</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> Students identify different sports where different types of throws are used. Students identify throws as either underhand or overhand.</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> Students identify which type of throw will be the easiest.</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> Students determine whether or not the throw was easy or hard based on the number of makes/misses.</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> Students are expected to give partner feedback on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at target (Kg – 1) • Step w/ opposite (2)
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i> Students create their own way of throwing at a target. (CT)</p>

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine that whenever we manipulate an object, we need to take a step.</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>Students determine if they are in a high, medium, or low ability with regards to their throwing skills.</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>“Where will the ball go if I let go of it too early or late?”</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students determine that stepping helps give us more power in a throw.</p> <p>Students determine that looking at our target the whole time helps improve our accuracy.</p> <p>Students determine that a proper follow through helps improve our accuracy.</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can your partner (or you) improve (a specific part of throwing)?”</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students identify ways to demonstrate the BIG 3 during different games.</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p>

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Unit: Volleying

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine that volleying has underhand hits and overhand hits, similar to throwing. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students identify a volley as either underhand or overhand. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>“How well will you do if you hit the ball too hard?” (AT)</p> <p>“Will this type of volleying be easy or difficult?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students determine which type of volleying was the easiest based on their highest total of consecutive volleys. (RT/AT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can you be more successful with your volleying?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students identify different body parts they can volley with. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Students create their own way of volleying. (CT)</p>

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Unit: Volleyball

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students understand that serving a volleyball and throwing both require a step to help give us power. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> Students identify the follow through part of different types of volleyball hits. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i> Students determine which team scored a point during a volleyball game. (PT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> “Where will the ball go if I swing my arms higher than my head during a bump?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> “Where did the ball go when you swung your arms like that? Why did it go that way?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> “How can you/your partner improve the bump/set/serve?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Rhythms/Dance

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Determine that dances consist of 8 count movements. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Create a list of upper body and lower body movements done during a dance. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>“How many 8 counts does this song use before a change?” (PT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>“What will happen if...”</p> <p>The song is faster than the previous song? (HR and dance) (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>“How many 8 counts does this song have? How many 8 counts would the dance have?” (AT/RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p> <p>“Is that something we usually do when we do this chore (ex. shoveling the driveway while doing yard work)?” (PT)</p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Create a list of things done during a chore to make a chore dance. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Spaghetti Dance (CT) Chore Dance (CT) Freeze Dance (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Tinkling

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea, given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Determine that slalom is a type of skiing. (PT)</p> <p>Students determine turns happen on beats 3 and 7/feet apart/out of the trap. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>“Did they change steps on an 8 count?” (AT)</p> <p>“How many 8 counts did this dance use before a change?” (AT)</p> <p>“Which way do we face?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>“What might happen if...”</p> <p>People change a step at different times? (AT)</p> <p>People bring the sticks too high? (AT)</p> <p>People don’t move their feet apart? (AT)</p> <p>“What do you think that step looks like?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Track the number of dancers vs. the number that change on an 8 count correctly. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can we improve...”</p> <p>The way the rhythm is done? (AT)</p> <p>The way the step is done? (AT)</p> <p>The way the dance was done? (AT)</p> <p>“What does this class need to improve upon the most?” (AT/RT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p> <p>“Were there any added moves that were not necessary?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Generate a list of previously learned steps. (CT)</p> <p>Use the tinkling planning cards to help create a dance. (CT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Create a dance based on previously learned steps and using the tinkling planning cards. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Tumbling

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students identify similarities between pencil and log rolls, and they also identify similarities between forward and backward rolls. (AT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students identify moves as tumbling or balance. (PT/AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>Students predict which balances will be easy or hard. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students determine which balances were easiest/hardest based on their experiences. (RT)</p> <p>Students determine that looking at the ground helps improve their balance. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can you make yourself more steady when balancing?” (AT)</p> <p>“How can you make your roll smoother?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create lists of when they have seen someone do these types of rolls (movies, WWE, sports, video games, etc.). (CT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Students create their own beanbag challenges. (CT)</p> <p>Students create their own way of balancing on their bottoms. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Tumbling

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea, given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students determine the role of spotters. (AT/PT) Students identify similarities between tip-up, tripod, and headstand. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> During a test, students identify the stunt described on a card. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i> During partner stunts, students determine how to do a particular move. They then will determine which groups need help performing the move they mastered. (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> “What will happen if I don’t keep my chin tucked to my chest?” (AT) “If I fall during an inversion stunt, what should I do to keep myself safe?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> Students use their journals to identify and improve their tumbling skills. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> “How can you make your roll smoother and easier?” (AT) Students give each other feedback based on head and hand placement during tripod and headstand. (AT/PT) Students give feedback during partner stunts. (AT/PT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i> Students identify times when they have seen someone do a particular roll (movies, sports, WWE, video games, etc.). (PT) Create a list of things spotters do. (CT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i> Students visualize a triangle on a mat when doing tripods and headstands. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Kicking/Soccer (Jump Rope)

Grades: All

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine that soccer defines hands as fingers to arms. (PT)</p> <p>Students determine that they use their hands after they shoot.</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>“What type of fitness activity is soccer – endurance or strength?” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>“Where do we need to look when we dribble? Why?” (AT)</p> <p>“Why did you fall when you trapped the ball?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>“If you follow through going in this direction, where will the ball go?” (AT)</p> <p>“What’s going to happen in a few minutes? (Switch goalies)” (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>How many times did your partner have to take more than 2 steps to trap the ball? (RT)</p> <p>Is your heart beating faster or slower after exercising? What does that mean? (RT)</p> <p>“What did you notice happened to the ball if a shooter got too close?” (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can someone improve their control while dribbling?” (AT)</p> <p>“What can you do differently to prevent falling when you trap the ball?” (AT)</p> <p>“How can your partner make sure they kick the ball straight?” (AT)</p> <p>“What can a shooter do so the goalie cannot get the ball before they shoot?” (RT/AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Create a list of body parts allowed to use in soccer. (PT)</p> <p>Create a list of things that happen to our bodies while exercising. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Create your own jump rope trick. (CT)</p> <p>Create a jump rope routine. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Basketball

Grades: K-2

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine that we need to step when making a pass, just like when we throw a ball. (PT)</p> <p>Students determine that we should keep our hand round, not flat, when dribbling. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students determine whether they need to do toss-ups or bounce catches. (AT)</p> <p>Students categorize a goal as either easy or hard to score on. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>Students determine which goal was the easiest to score on. (AT)</p> <p>“Why do we want to look forward when we dribble?” (PT)</p> <p>“How would you rate your dribbling (slapping, eyes, height)?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>Students predict which goal will be easiest to score on. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students determine which part of dribbling they are best at and which part their partner needs to work on the most. (AT/RT)</p> <p>Students determine if their scoring prediction was correct. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>Students provide feedback on their partner’s dribbling skills (eyes forward, waist high, don’t slap). (AT)</p> <p>“What does your partner need to work on the most?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create a list of what is easy/hard about dribbling? (AT/CT)</p> <p>Students create a list of times we receive feedback outside of school. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Students create their own way to dribble a ball. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Striking

Grades: K-2

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine what similarities all striking sports share. (AT)</p> <p>Students determine what sport the activity practices. (PT/AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students identify activities as either striking or non-striking. (PT/AT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>Students justify, based on background knowledge, their prediction of what sport is being practiced that day. (PT)</p> <p>“When do we use underhand/overhand strikes?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>Students predict whether they will be better at overhand or underhand strikes. (AT)</p> <p>Students infer the sport being practiced based on background knowledge and equipment displayed. (AT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students observe and record successful hits with underhand and overhand. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can you improve how well you hit the ball?” (AT)</p> <p>“How can your partner improve their hitting?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create a list of striking sports. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Create your own challenge with paddles. (CT)</p> <p>Create your own challenge with noodles. (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Baseball

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students determine what similarities all striking sports share. (AT)</p> <p>Students identify parts of their bodies fatigued by different activities. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students identify sports as either striking or non-striking. (PT/AT)</p> <p>Students determine the difference between muscular endurance activities and cardio endurance activities. (AT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>Students predict where people are moving and try to trap them (scooters). (AT)</p> <p>Students predict where the ball will go when hit. (AT)</p> <p>Students predict which type of throw (underhand/overhand) will be hardest to hit. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students track their hits and misses to determine if their prediction was correct. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>“How can your partner improve their hitting/fielding?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create a list of striking sports. (PT/CT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>If a student were to design a baseball glove, what features would it have? (CT)</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Hockey

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students determine what similarities all striking sports share</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> Students identify sports as either striking or non-striking.</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> Students predict who will win the 1 on 1 noodle hockey game.</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> Students keep score during the game to determine if their prediction is correct.</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> “How can you improve your puck handling skills?”</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i> Students create a list of striking sports.</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i> “What are some things a safe hockey helmet would have?”</p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Tennis

Grades: 3-5

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea: given several examples, students determine a rule</i> Students determine what similarities all striking sports share</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i> Students identify sports as either striking or non-striking.</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i> Students predict which court they will end up on during our king/queen of the mountain tournament.</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i> We play a tournament and determine whether or not their prediction was accurate.</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i> “How can you improve how you hit the ball?”</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i> Students create a list of striking sports.</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p>

Problem Solving

Unit: Hula Hoops/Scooters

Grades: K-2

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<p><i>Abstraction – pulling out similarities to form an idea; given several examples, students determine a rule</i></p> <p>Students identify similar ways we move our bodies to move the hula hoop. (AT)</p> <p>Students determine the hula hoop must start against our body. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Categorization – analyze information and sort it into meaningful categories</i></p> <p>Students sort different ways to ride the scooter as safe or unsafe. (PT)</p>	<p><i>Drawing Conclusions/Justifying Solutions – draw conclusions based on data presented in many forms and viewpoints</i></p> <p>Students determine the fastest way to ride a scooter. (AT)</p> <p>Students determine easier way to ride the scooter between using legs or arms. (AT)</p>
<p><i>Predicting Outcomes – make and test predictions</i></p> <p>Students predict which way will be easiest for them to hula hoop. (AT)</p>	<p><i>Observing and Experimenting – observe and record data and determine a hypothesis</i></p> <p>Students perform challenges to test their predictions. (RT)</p>	<p><i>Improving Solutions – given a solution, they are asked to improve it</i></p> <p>Students give feedback to each other about their hula hooping abilities. (AT)</p> <p>“If the hoop is going up/down, does that mean you are going too fast/slow?” (AT)</p>
<p><i>Identifying Relevant/Irrelevant Information – given relevant and irrelevant information & determine which is which</i></p>	<p><i>Generating Ideas – generate idea lists, look for analogies</i></p> <p>Students create a list of ways to be safe on the scooter. (CT/PT)</p>	<p><i>Creating and Designing – create or design a product, experiment, or problem to solve</i></p> <p>Students create their own hula hoop challenge. (CT)</p> <p>Students imagine and recreate what it looks like to jump rope with a hula hoop. (CT)</p>