

SMP 2

This year at Stocker we are working on becoming better mathematicians by thinking like mathematicians. To do this, we are focusing on the Standards for Mathematical Practice. We will look at one each month. This month our practice is SMP 2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (Think about the math problem in your head first.)

Here are a few ways you can help your child practice this at home:

- When your child is doing homework, ask them to think it out before they write things down.
- Talk about whether or not things make sense and how you know. (Adding a cup of sugar would make this way too sweet. It must mean a tablespoon.)
- Feel free to use manipulative. (Take out pennies and dimes to talk about place value and decimals.)