AR Remediation Plan – Patterns, Relations, and Functions

Relations, Functions, Tables, Graphs, and Ordered Pairs

STRAND: Patterns, Functions and Algebra

STRAND CONCEPT: Patterns, Relations, and Functions

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Remediation Plan Summary

Students determine if a relation is a function given a set of ordered pairs, a table or a graph.

Common Errors and Misconceptions

- Students may confuse the x-coordinate when determining if a relation is a function.
- Students confuse horizontal and vertical direction when applying the vertical line test.

Materials

- How Does a Snack Machine Work?
- What is a Function? activity sheet
- Function or Not? handout
- Exit Ticket

Introductory Activity

Display "How Does a Snack Machine Work?" for the class. Ask students to jot down a few ideas on a piece of paper. Have students share their ideas with a partner and then have a class discussion. Some ideas may include: you put in money, push a button to select the snack, the snack drops down, your reach in and get your snack, etc.

How would you feel if you selected a Snickers candy bar and got a Payday? Or if you and your friends all selected different snacks and everyone got Doritos? What if you bought a Snickers bar today and got a Snickers and then tomorrow bought a Snickers and got Bugles? Is this machine functioning correctly? Allow for discussion to each of these questions. What would happen if the machine was functioning correctly?

Plan for Instruction

• Explain to students that today they will be learning about relations and functions. Explain that <u>all</u> snack machines would be examples of relations. However, only <u>some</u> snack machines are functions. Using the scenario from the introductory activity, have the class define what they think a function is. The idea is to introduce the idea of a function where each input (or snack selected) has one and one output (it doesn't have to be the correct snack but the same snack each time). Use the following definitions:

A relation is any set of ordered pairs. For each first member, there may be many second members.

A function is a relation between a set of inputs, called the domain, and a set of outputs, called the range, with the property that each input is related to exactly one output.

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- Distribute the "What is a Function?" activity sheet. Work through the first three examples as a group and discuss what makes a relation a function. Allow students to work in a group to finish the additional practice. Discuss answers and explanations as a class.
- Functions can be displayed in many ways. For this lesson, the focus is on a table, a graph, or a set of ordered pairs. Display examples of each type for students. Using problems #6-9 from the "More Practice" problems above, write the relations shown in each table as a set of ordered pairs.
- Using problems #6-9 from the "More Practice" problems above, create graphs as a class for each of the relations. Using their knowledge of which relations are functions, ask students what strategy they could use when looking at a graph to determine if a graph represents a function or not. If no one initiates a conversation about the vertical line test, introduce it and show students how to apply the vertical line test to determine if a graph is a function or not.
- Distribute copies of the Function or Not? Handout to students. Encourage them to work on their own first and then compare their answers and explanations with a partner. After the class is done, select pairs to share their answers and explanations.

Pulling It All Together (Reflection)

Exit Ticket: Distribute the exit ticket to the students to complete. Use the data from the completed activity to review any misconceptions the next day.

Note: The following pages are intended for classroom use for students as a visual aid to learning.

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How does a snack machine work?



What is a Function?

1) Is this machine operating correctly? _____

Selected	Doritos	Cheetos	Snickers	Reeses
Vended	Doritos	Cheetos	Snickers	Reese's

Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

2) Is this machine operating correctly? _____

Selected	Doritos	Cheetos	Snickers	Reese's
Vended	Snickers	Snickers	Snickers	Snickers

Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

3) Is this machine operating correctly? _____

Selected	Doritos	Reese's	Doritos	Reese's
Vended	Cheetos	Snickers	Doritos	Reese's

Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

More Practice:

4) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

red	blue	green	pink	yellow
d	е	n	k	w

5) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

red	purple	green	pink	brown
2	4	3	3	4

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6) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

x	1	2	3	4
У	5	6	7	8

7) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

x	-1	0	3	7
У	6	6	6	6

8) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

x	-5	-2	0	-5
У	4	1	-2	4

9) Is this a function? _____ Explain your answer.

x	1	4	-2	1
У	3	5	1	-2

In your own words, explain what a function is.

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Function or Not?

Determine if the following representations or functions or not? Explain your reasoning.





Exit Ticket:

Create a set of ordered pairs that represents a function.

Create a graph of a set of ordered pairs that does not represent a function.

