

BUILDING CONFIDENT MATH PROBLEM SOLVERS!

Designed for principals, instructional coaches, and K-5 teachers

**Math often feels different from the rest of the day.
Quieter! More rigid! Less confident!**

MATH DOES NOT NEED TO FEEL THIS WAY!

Across K-5 classrooms, something subtle, but important, is happening.

- Reading blocks are alive with discussion.
- Science lessons buzz with curiosity.
- Students collaborate, question, and explain their thinking.

Then math begins and the energy shifts.

Many teachers are doing exactly what they've been told to do:

- Follow the curriculum.
- Keep pace.
- Model clearly.

And yet, math often becomes quiet, cautious, & compliance driven.

- Students silently scribble.
- Confidence drops.
- Assessment data confirms what we can feel, but don't say.

Join us for a hands-on professional learning experience and learn **Word Problem Workshop**, a simple five step daily instructional routine that **TRANSFORMS** curriculum tasks into the engine for student thinking, talk, and collaboration.

- Without changing curriculum.
- Without sacrificing pacing.
- Without adding more to teacher's plates.

Learn how a consistent daily routine can:

- Increase student engagement in mathematics
- Build math confidence and perseverance
- Support conceptual understanding
- Help math feel aligned with the rest of the school day

**THIS IS NOT ABOUT CHANGING EVERYTHING!
IT IS ABOUT GIVING TEACHERS A STRUCTURE THAT
ALLOWS THEIR BEST TEACHING TO SHINE IN MATH CLASS!**

YOU'LL TAKE HOME:

- A step-by-step guide to a daily routine for solving word problems
- Practical strategies for building an intentional math community of problem solvers
- Structures to plan effectively and efficiently with a goal in mind
- Facilitator moves that help teachers embody the "guide on the side" role, letting students' thinking take the lead
- Reflection practices to make learning stick

Don't Let MATH Feel Different From the Rest of Your Day!

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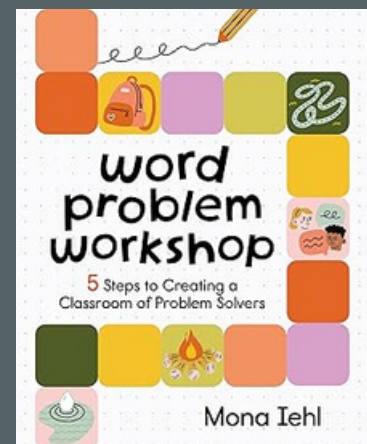
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9 AM - 12 PM CT

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Presented by Mona Iehl

Mona Iehl is a teacher of 16 years, math coach, and the founder of the Chicago Math Group. As a former math avoider, Mona found a passion for teaching math through word problems and math discussions. Now, she empowers others to do the same. Through virtual and school-based collaborative coaching, Mona supports teachers in cultivating a math classroom that supports all learners in building deep understandings through student-centered lesson designs. You can listen to Mona every Monday on her podcast, Honest Math Chat.



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