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Task Model 1	Prompt Features: The student is prompted to evaluate numerical		
	expressions involving exponents.		
Response Type:			
Fauation / Numeric	Stimulus Guidelines		
Equation, Numeric	Expressions contain at least four numbers and one		
	• Expressions contain at least rour numbers and one		
DOK Level 1	multiplication/division symbol.		
	<ul> <li>Parentheses may be utilized to change the order of</li> </ul>		
6.EE.A.1	operations.		
Write and evaluate	<ul> <li>Expression should not be properly computed by simply going</li> </ul>		
numorical	from loft to right		
expressions involving	<ul> <li>Numbers in expressions should be positive rational numbers.</li> </ul>		
whole-number	<ul> <li>Exponents should be whole numbers.</li> </ul>		
exponents.	• Answers should be positive numbers (up to hundredths, if a		
•	decimal).		
Evidence			
Deguired			
Requirea:			
1. The student	<b>Stimulus:</b> The student is presented with a numerical expression		
evaluates numerical	with exponents.		
expressions involving			
whole-number	<b>Example Stem:</b> Enter the value of $3^3 \bullet 7^2 - 8 \div 4$		
exponents			
exponents:			
	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student enters the correct value for the		
Tools: Calculator	expression (e.g., 1321).		
	Response Type: Equation/Numeric		

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Task Model 2	<b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to write an expression		
	to represent a given verbal description of that expression.		
Response Type:			
Equation / Numeric	Stimulus Guidelines:		
	<ul> <li>Expressions should be one- or two-step problems</li> </ul>		
DOK Level 1	<ul> <li>Expressions should be whole numbers</li> </ul>		
Bok Level 1	<ul> <li>Numbers in expressions should be positive rational numbers.</li> </ul>		
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Write and evaluate	• Item unitculty can be adjusted via these example methods.		
	O Students write an algebraic expression with exponents.		
	• Students write an algebraic expression/formula		
expressions involving	without exponents.		
whole-number	<ul> <li>Students write an algebraic expression/formula with</li> </ul>		
exponents.	exponents.		
6.EE.A.2a	TM2		
Write expressions	Stimulus: The student is presented with a verbal numerical		
that record	expression with exponents or verbal algebraic expression with or		
operations with	without exponents.		
numbers and with			
letters standing for	<b>Example Stem 1:</b> Enter a numerical expression that represents the		
numbers.	sum of eight squared and thirty-two.		
Evidence	<b>Example Stem 2:</b> Enter an algebraic expression that represents		
Required:	eight times the sum of $\gamma$ squared and twenty-eight.		
2. The student writes	5 7 7 7 5		
numerical	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student enters a correct numerical/algebraic		
expressions involving	expression for the given verbal expression (e.g., $8^2 + 32$ ; $8(v^2 + 28)$ ).		
whole-number			
exponents, algebraic	Response Type: Equation/Numeric		
expressions, and			
expressions from			
formulas in			
real-world problems			
real world problems.			
Tools: Calculator			



Task Model 3	<b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to use mathematical terms to describe an expression.		
Response Type: Multiple Choice, multiple correct response DOK Level 1 6.EE.A.1	<ul> <li>Stimulus Guidelines:</li> <li>Mathematical terms include sum, term, product, factor, quotient, and coefficient.</li> <li>Exponents used should be whole numbers.</li> <li>Numbers in expressions should be rational numbers.</li> <li>Item difficulty can be adjusted by presenting expressions that contain parentheses.</li> </ul>		
Write and evaluate numerical expressions involving whole-number exponents.	<b>TM3a:</b> <b>Stimulus:</b> The student is presented with a numerical or algebraic expression.		
<b>6.EE.A.2b</b>	<b>Example Stem:</b> Select <b>all</b> the statements that correctly describe the expression $4^3 \bullet (8w - 7)$ .		
expression using mathematical terms (sum, term, product, factor, quotient, coefficient): view	A. 3 is a factor of the expression. B. The difference of 8w and 7 is a factor of the expression. C. The expression represents the product of $4^3$ and $8w - 7$ . D. The expression represents the difference of $4^3 \cdot 8w$ and 7.		
one or more parts of an expression as a single entity.	<b>Answer Choices:</b> Answer choices should be statements that include the following vocabulary: sum, term, product, factor, quotient, and coefficient. Distractors will include confusing the meaning of sum, term, product, factor, quotient, and coefficient. At least two		
Evidence	statements must be correct.		
<b>Required:</b> 3. The student uses mathematical terms to describe	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student selects all the correct statements (e.g., B and C).		
expressions.	Response Type: Multiple Choice, multiple correct response		
Tools: Calculator			
<b>Version 3 Update:</b> Revised the options for example stem for TM3a. Retired TM3b.			



Task Model 4	<b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to find the value of a		
lask Hodel 4	given expression		
Deenen ee Tumer	given expression.		
Response Type:	Otimuskus Osidalinaas		
Equation/Numeric	Stimulus Guidelines:		
	<ul> <li>Expression cannot be properly computed by simply going</li> </ul>		
DOK Level 1	from left to right.		
	<ul> <li>Numbers in expressions should be rational numbers.</li> </ul>		
6.EE.A.2c	<ul> <li>If used, exponents should be whole numbers.</li> </ul>		
Evaluate expressions	• Item difficulty can be adjusted via these example methods:		
at specific values of	<ul> <li>Students enter the value of an algebraic expression</li> </ul>		
their variables	without fractions/decimals or exponents		
Include expressions	Students optor the value of an algebraic expression		
that arise from	• Students enter the value of an algebraic expression		
that arise from	with exponents and no fractions/decimals.		
formulas used in	<ul> <li>Students enter the value of an algebraic expression</li> </ul>		
real-world problems.	that contains fractions/decimals.		
Perform arithmetic	<ul> <li>Students enter the value of an algebraic expression</li> </ul>		
operations, including	that contains fractions/decimals and exponents.		
those involving			
whole number	ТМ4		
exponents in the	<b>Stimulus:</b> The student is presented with an algebraic expression		
conventional order	and specific values for variables in the expression		
when there are no			
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parentneses to	<b>Example Stem 1:</b> The formula $C = \frac{3}{2}(F - 32)$ is used to convert		
specify a particular	degrees Eshrenheit (E) to degrees Celsius (C)		
order (Order of			
Operations).	Enter the temperature in degrees $Calaius(C)$ equal to 112 degrees		
	Enter the temperature, in degrees Ceisius (C), equal to 113 degrees		
Evidence	Fanrenneit (F).		
Required:			
4. The student	<b>Example Stem 2:</b> Enter the value of $2 \bullet y - 8 \div 4$ when $y = 7$ .		
evaluates algebraic			
expressions and	<b>Example Stem 3:</b> Enter the value of $3^3 \bullet y^2 - 8 \div 4$ when $y = 7$ .		
expressions from			
formulas in	<b>Example Stem 4:</b> A baker uses the expression 5.75c + 3.45p to		
rool world problems	calculate his profit when he sells $c$ cakes and $p$ nies		
real-world problems.	calculate his profit when he sells e cakes and p pies.		
	What is the baker's profit in dollars, when he colls 33 cakes and 42		
Tools: Calculator	ning?		
	pies?		
Version 3 Update:			
Added new example			
stem 4 to TM4.	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student enters the correct value for the		
	expression or formula (e.g., 45; 12; 1321; 334.65). Units should be		
	assumed from the problem.		
	<b>Response Type:</b> Equation/Numeric		

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Task Model 5	<b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to create equivalent expressions based on given parameters.		
Response Type:			
Equation/Numeric	Stimulus Guidelines:		
• •	• Expressions could contain one or two variables.		
DOK Level 2	• For expressions in the form $a(bx + cy)$ , b and c do not have a common factor.		
6.EE.A.3	• The correct answer choice will use properties of operations to		
Apply the properties	generate an equivalent expression.		
of operations to			
generate equivalent	TM5a		
expressions For	<b>Stimulus:</b> The student is presented with an algebraic expression or		
example apply the	an incomplete algebraic expression		
distributive property			
to the expression	<b>Example Stem 1:</b> Consider this expression: $3(2x + 5y)$		
3(2 + x) to produce			
the equivalent	Enter an expression that shows the <b>sum of exactly two terms</b> that		
$expression 6 \pm 3x$	is equivalent to $3(2x + 5y)$		
apply the distributive			
property to the	<b>Example Stem 2:</b> An equivalent expression to $6x \pm 15y$ can be		
expression	written as the product of two factors. One of the factors is 3		
$24y \pm 18y$ to			
produce the	Enter the <b>second factor</b> that will result in $6x \pm 15y$ when the two		
equivalent	factors are multiplied		
expression			
$6 (4x \pm 3y)$ ; apply	<b>Pubric:</b> (1 point) Student enters the correct algebraic expression		
properties of	$(a_1, b_2 + 15y', 2y + 5y)$		
operations to	(e.g., 0x + 15y, 2x + 5y).		
$y \pm y \pm y$ to produce	<b>Besponse Type:</b> Equation/Numeric		
the equivalent	Response Type. Equation/Numeric		
expression 3v			
expression sy.			
Fvidence			
Required:			
5 The student			
creates equivalent			
expressions by			
applying properties			
of operations			
or operations.			

Tools: Calculator



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Task Model 5	Prompt Features: The student is prompted to use given		
	parameters to create an expression that is equivalent to a given		
Response Type:	expression.		
Drag and Drop	Stimulus Guidelines:		
DOK Level 2	• For expressions in the form $a(bx + cy)$ , b and c do not have a common factor.		
<b>6.EE.A.3</b> Apply the properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions. For example, apply the distributive property to the expression 3(2 + x) to produce the equivalent expression $6 + 3x$ ; apply the distributive property to the expression	<ul> <li>Blanks represent terms; at least two blanks should be provided.</li> <li>Expressions could contain one or two variables.</li> <li>If expressions are in the form ax + by, then they must have a common factor greater than one.</li> <li>Item difficulty can be adjusted via these example methods: <ul> <li>Students enter an equivalent expression that represents a given expression.</li> <li>Students enter missing parts of an equivalent expression.</li> </ul> </li> <li>TMSb Stimulus: The student is presented with an expression and the parameters to create an equivalent expression.</li> </ul>		
expression 24x + 18y to produce the equivalent expression 6 (4x + 3y); apply properties of operations to y + y + y to produce the equivalent expression 3y.	<b>Example Stem 1:</b> Consider this equation. 3(2x + 5y) = 2 + 2 Drag an expression into each box to create an expression equivalent to $3(2x + 5y)$ . <b>Example Stem 2:</b> Consider this equation.		
Fyidence	6x + $= 3($ $+ 5)$		
<b>Required:</b> 5. The student creates equivalent expressions by applying properties of operations.	Drag an expression into each box to create a true equation.		
	<b>Interaction:</b> Students will use the drag-and-drop feature to place expressions in the boxes. A palette will be given on the left-hand side with 8–12 terms. Snap-to feature should be used and Delete tool needs to be provided.		
Tools: Calculator	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student correctly creates an equivalent expression		
Accessibility Note:	(e.g., 6x and 15y; 15 and 2x).		
Drag and Drop items are not currently able to be Brailled. Minimize the number of items developed to this TM.	Response Type: Drag and Drop		

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Task Model 6	<b>Prompt Features:</b> The student is prompted to identify equivalent		
	expressions.		
Response Type:			
Multiple Choice,	Stimulus Guidelines:		
multiple correct	<ul> <li>If used, exponents should be whole numbers.</li> </ul>		
response	Item difficulty can be adjusted via these example methods:		
DOK Lovel 2	o Having multiple correct answers increases the		
DOK LEVEI 2	UIIICUILY.		
	<ul> <li>Expressions can involve the distributive property of just combining or expanding forms.</li> </ul>		
Identify when two	Just combining of expanding terms.		
expressions are	TMC		
equivalent (i e	<b>Stimuluce</b> The student is presented with an algebraic expression		
when the two	Schluds: The student is presented with an algebraic expression.		
expressions name	Example Stem 1: Select all expressions that are equivalent to		
the same number	4(3x + 6y).		
regardless of which			
value is substituted	A. $12x + 6y$		
into them). For	B. $12x + 24y$		
example, the	C. $2(6x + 12y)$		
expressions	D. $4(12x+24y)$		
y + y + y and $3y$ are			
equivalent because	<b>Example Stem 2:</b> Select <b>all</b> expressions that are equivalent to		
number regardless of	3 + w + w + w.		
which number v			
stands for	A. $3(1 + w)$		
	B. $3 + 3W$		
Evidence	$C. 3+W^{\circ}$		
Required:	$D. 3W^3$		
6. The student	Angeven Chaisson Angeven sheisson will be alashusis symusosisme		
identifies when	Answer Choices: Answer choices will be algebraic expressions.		
expressions are	product factor quotient and coefficient and/or the properties of		
equivalent by	operations. At least two expressions must be correct		
utilizing properties of	operations. At least two expressions must be correct.		
operations.	<b>Rubric:</b> (1 point) Student selects all of the correct expressions (e.g.,		
	B and C; A and B).		
Tools: Calculator			
	Response Type: Multiple Choice, multiple correct response		