

NUMBER SENSE (updated 5/11/22)

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NOTE: This will be the last posting for the 2021-22 competitive year. It was so good to see and visit with all of the coaches and competitors, live and in person. The competitors were on top of their game, not just in competition, but in the ways in which they handled themselves. They were well-mannered, polite, personable, and a joy to visit with. Kudos to you all for helping to make the state meet a success. For the seniors moving on, I know you will make us all proud as you approach your new endeavors. The things you learned while competing in UIL over the years will be invaluable assets which will be crucial to your future successes. For the ones returning, work hard, play fair, and enjoy the trip. See you next year.

UIL Test Comments — 2021-22

***** NOTE: See Off on a Tangent below for information on workshops, Student Activity Conferences, and test discussions *****

SAC - - - > #19. Should have "mixed number" at the end of the blank.
#36. Should be 18, not -12.

(Release dates: 10/23/21)

A - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time. (Release dates: 1/07/22 - 2/05/22)

B - - - > #59 --- 72 (35 x 1 rectangle) will work as a correct answer as well as 24 (5 x 7 rectangle).

(Release dates: 2/11/22 - 3/12/22)

District - - - > #16 --- left off a question mark.
#73 --- had an extra "+" sign.

(Release dates: 3/21/22 - 3/26/22)

Regional - - - > #57 --- 0, 11 and 22 are acceptable answers. Notice was sent to regional sites Friday.

(Release dates: 4/22/22 - 4/23/22)

State - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time. (Release date: 5/06/22 - 5/07/22)

TMSCA Test Comments — 2021-22 (tests I write for TMSCA)

6 - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time. (Release date: 12/11/21)

13 - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time. (Release date: 3/07/22)

State - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time. (Release date: 3/19/22)

District Warm-Up - - - > No errors, corrections, or comments reported at this time.

(Release date: to be determined by TMSCA)

Off on a Tangent

Workshops and/or Presentations I will be doing:

1. UIL Capitol Conference, Austin - June 21-22, 2022 - Thompson Conference Center on the UT campus.
***** Note: 2022 sessions TBA at a later time*****
2. *What's Your 12th Problem* - Math Camp at Texas Tech University, Lubbock on July 12-16, 2022.

For more information contact Jack Barton at jack.barton@ttu.edu or 806-742-2350.
Registration opens March, 2022 at www.depts.ttu.edu/uil.

3. Student Activity Conferences: Fall 2022
September 10: Tyler Junior College, Tyler
October 1: Texas Tech University, Lubbock
October 29: University of Texas at Austin
November 5: University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg

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History of Number Sense Project:

I had hoped to have my data compiled and ready to be seen. Unfortunately, the issues facing us today has not permitted me to complete my research. I hope to finish the research later this year and have a report next year.

Resources Update

I recently received an update on "the little red book" -- Mental Mathematics for Number Sense by Frances Walzel -- is available again. The new contact email for this book is mentalmathbook@gmail.com.

Test Discussions

I have been writing 12 number sense practice and competition tests for HEXCO since 2012 and will be writing them again this year. Contact Linda at HEXCO.com if you are interested in ordering some of these tests.

The district, regional, and state tests will be created based on the problems from these 6 tests: 2021SAC, TMSA 6, UIL A, UIL B, TMSA 13, & TMSA STATE.

STATE MEET PROOFERS AND GRADERS

Coaches of the regional team champions and the coaches of the regional wild card teams will be needed to proof the state test (while the contestants are testing) and grade the tests.

Note: You must be a full time employee of the school district.

You must be listed as the team's coach.

You must be willing to stay in the proofing/grading room until **all** proofing **and** grading is complete.

(Please do not agree to proof and grade if you are not going to be in the room at the designated time.)

If you are one of the 24 regional team championship coaches or one of the 6 regional wild card team coaches, you need to email me no later than May 1 with the following information:

Number Sense Contest Regional Team Champion _____ Wild Card Team _____

Name _____ School & District _____

Classification _____ Region # _____ District # _____

I will _____ will not _____ be able to help proof and grade the test.

I will send you a reply confirming that I received your email. If you do not receive an email back from me then I did not receive your email. Hence, I will begin a search for a replacement for you beginning May 1. Email me at texasmath@centex.net.

Good Luck! Work Hard! Play Fair!

I am off on another tangent ...