

## Instructions for Using *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III*

The *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM includes:

100 **assessment tasks** with task-specific rubrics and annotated student benchmark papers at four performance levels – Novice, Apprentice, Practitioner and Expert. These may also be used for **instruction**.

To open the *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM:

- Insert CD-ROM into computer.
- "Open" the "Diff Math III" folder.
- Double click on "start\_here" icon.
- From the CD home page, click on the appropriate grade level.
- Select desired task.

To print task overheads and supplemental worksheets or annotated student benchmark papers, you must open the PDF version of the task. To do this:

- Click on the appropriate grade level from the CD home page.
- Select desired task.
- In the task "overview" there is a PDF icon located in the upper right corner of your screen.
- Double click on this icon to open the PDF.

To search the *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM for a specific task:

- From the CD home page, select "Search" located in the upper left corner of your screen.
- From the "Search Page," select the appropriate grade level.
- In the "search field" type the task title or a few words of the title.
- Click the "Go" button.

To browse a list of task titles and overview descriptions according to specific grade levels:

- From the CD home page, click on the appropriate grade level.
- All of the tasks associated with that grade level will appear.
- Click the task title to view the task.

To search the *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM for Interdisciplinary Links, Math Concepts and Skills, Standards and Technology:

- ❑ From the CD home page, select "Search" in the upper left corner.
- ❑ In the right column of the "Search Page," click on the appropriate grade-level criteria.
- ❑ Click on your area of interest.
- ❑ All tasks associated with the grade-level criteria you selected will appear.
- ❑ Click the task title to view the task.

To access the *Exemplars* Web site for additional resources:

- ❑ From the CD home page, click on the *Exemplars* logo in the upper right corner of your screen.
- ❑ You may also contact us by clicking on the "Contact Us" button in the upper left corner of your screen.

To return to the CD "Home Page" of the *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM:

- ❑ Click on the "Home" button located in the upper left corner of your screen.

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#### **Additional Notes:**

- ❑ *Exemplars* material is aligned to state and NCTM standards. Please visit [www.exemplars.com/resources/alignments](http://www.exemplars.com/resources/alignments) to access state alignments.
- ❑ For suggestions on getting started with *Exemplars* math material and rubrics, please refer to the "Getting Started Math Guide" located in the "extras" folder on the CD-ROM.
- ❑ To access helpful tools and tips on how to integrate successful formative assessment practices, please visit <http://www.exemplars.com/resources/formative/index.html>.
- ❑ To print a complete list of grade-level tasks in the PDF format, open the "PDFs to print" folder in the "extras" folder on the CD-ROM.
- ❑ The *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM works with most 5.0 web browsers. For optimal performance, *Exemplars* recommends using Firefox. To download a free copy, please visit <http://www.mozilla.com/firefox/>.
- ❑ The *Differentiated Best of Math Exemplars III* CD-ROM requires 295 MB of disk space and 512 MB of RAM to install on your hard drive or server.
- ❑ To view PDF versions of the tasks you must have a program called Adobe Acrobat Reader<sup>®</sup> installed on your computer. We have provided this for you to install in the "extras" folder on the CD-ROM. If you require another version you may download this program free of charge from the Adobe web site by visiting, <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>.
- ❑ Please refer to the hard copy installation instructions included with the CD for additional information. If you have any further questions, please contact us at 800-450-4050 or at [info@exemplars.com](mailto:info@exemplars.com).