Mathematics common Language



WHEN WE SAY WE MEAN	WE MEAN	WHEN WE SAY	WE MEAN
Standard	Overarching criteria for the grade level or grade band	Benchmark	A specific expectation for the grade level or grade band that falls within the standard
Instructional Task	Demonstrates the depth of the benchmark and the connection to the related benchmarks	Strategies	A method or technique for solving a mathematical task or item

WE MEAN	The action of visiting classrooms with a benchmark-aligned focus that informs the quality of implementation from planning to instruction using specific look-fors and feedback	Provides time, opportunity, and expectations for benchmark-based planning, facilitated by a coach/lead and focused on aligning tasks, strategies, and lessons to current benchmarks, while planning for the needs of the students
WHEN WE SAY WE MEAN	Monitoring	Common Planning
WE MEAN	Demonstrates the focus of the benchmark; highlighting one or more parts of the benchmark	How our students are expected to engage with mathematics to promote deeper learning and understanding
WHEN WE SAY	Instructional	Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards (MTRs)

