

## Questions to Ask Your Children During Math Work

- What is this problem about?
- What are the quantities in the problem?
- What do you think you need to do to solve this?
- What should you do first? Where do you begin?
- What do you do next?
- Walk me through your problem/work, so I know where to help.
- Share your thoughts. How did you get to that?
- How did you figure that out? How did you solve this?
- Are you trying to find more or less?
- How can we break this number up?
- Can you try a different strategy?
- Can you draw (a picture) to show your thinking?
- How can you prove it?
- What do you already know about this problem?
- Can you explain your thinking (so far)?
- What is another way to solve this?
- Could you reword or add more to that using math vocabulary?
- What did not work?
- Show me your work, so I know and your teacher knows how to help you.
- Does this (answer) make sense? Is this (answer) reasonable?
- Why are you sure your answer is right?