

Checking for Understanding in Math



Teach Like a **CHAMPION**®

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[Checking for Understanding in Math](#) leverages years of studying distinguished teachers and leaders in math instruction with proven results. Classroom videos illustrate their effective techniques. Research backs up how and why the techniques work. Practice activities ensure you can confidently train others at your school.

Why Teach Like a Champion Works

- **Immediate Impact:** Learn practical, research-backed, field-tested techniques your teachers can use the very next day.
- **Classroom Video:** See master teachers execute techniques in a variety of grade levels, drawing from TLAC's library of 1,700+ clips.
- **Practice and Feedback:** Try out techniques with peers, get feedback from expert facilitators, and build confidence with quick practice protocols.
- **Train-the-Trainer Format:** Your team becomes the experts who sustain these effective practices in your classrooms.

What You'll Learn

- **The "Replace Self-Report" Technique**
Stop asking "Does everyone understand?" Get actual data on what every student knows.
- **Active Observation Strategies**
Circulate strategically to track mastery, mistakes, and trends.
- **Culture of Error**
Make students feel safe showing their work, even when they're wrong.
- **Planning for Mistakes**
Anticipate likely errors before they grow and become more difficult to address.
- **Retrieval Practice Integration**
Ensure learning sticks long-term with research-backed techniques.
- **Targeted & Timely Reteaching**
Effectively reteach concepts or skills that didn't stick the first time in a targeted and efficient way.
- **Lesson Preparation Best Practices**
Format and annotate lesson plans to check for understanding efficiently.

Who Should Attend

It's most effective when schools send a core group of **2-5 instructional leaders serving grades 3-12**. This will enable you to roll out the content independently at scale using our **Implementation Toolkit**.

- District / Network Math Leaders
- Math Department Heads
- Instructional Coaches
- Lead Math Teachers

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