ANCHOR ACTIVITIES

- relate to specific needs or enrichment opportunities, including problems to solve or journals to write
- could be a long-term project that a student is working on
- may provide the teachers with time to provide specific help and small group instruction to students requiring additional help to get started
- students can work at different paces but they always have productive work they can do
- these activities myst be worthy of a student's time and appropriate to their learning needs

EXAMPLES

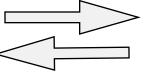
- long-term projects
- selected games
- journal writing
- commercial kits
- learning centers/packets
- selected websites
- creating games/books, etc.
- books related to math

USING ANCHOR ACTIVITIES TO CREATE GROUPS

STEP 1: Teach the whole class to work independently and quietly on the anchor activity.

STEP 2: FLIP - FLOP

Half the class works on anchor activity



Other half works on a different activity.

VARIANT: THREE GROUPS

1/3 work on anchor activity

1/3 works on a different activity

1/3 work with teacher - direct instruction