

MATH 247

Article Reflection #1

Due: Wednesday, February 22

Choose an academic article from a refereed journal that publishes in the area of teaching/learning of mathematics at the elementary school level. NCTM's *Teaching Children Mathematics* is an excellent journal (*Mathematics Teaching in the Middle School* and *Mathematics Teacher* sometimes contain articles that relate to content in the early grades).

Note: Some back issues are available in Suite 206 (North Hall) if you want to come and browse and I'll post some articles on D2L as well. The article should discuss classroom teaching, mathematical thinking, technology, problem solving, young children, or some combination of these. Read the article in its entirety and then provide a 1-2 page reflection on the reading. Some ideas to guide your reflection:

What was the article about?

Was there anything you found interesting and/or surprising?

Is there something practical that you could incorporate in a classroom setting?

Strictly speaking, the above questions need not be answered; these are just some reference points to help you start thinking. Perhaps about 1/3 of your paper should be a summary of what you read; the other 2/3 should be reflective in nature. Evaluation will be on your writing style, your ability to convey ideas, and the quality of your reflections. Please use a narrative form.