



Getting Started in Your Classroom Checklist

Setup a distinct space for Independent Digital Lessons

With Zearn Math, students rotate between two 30-minute stations each day. Students need:

- A COMPATIBLE DEVICE.** Zearn can be accessed using an up-to-date browser on Chromebooks, computers, and iPads. The Help Center lists the [Zearn Technology Requirements](#).
- HEADPHONES.** Students need headphones to hear the personalized instruction in each Independent Digital Lesson.
- PAPER ZEARN STUDENT NOTES AND EXIT TICKETS.** Students will be prompted to complete Student Notes during their Independent Digital Lessons and complete Exit Tickets at the end of their Independent Digital Lessons.

Setup a distinct space for Small Group Lessons

For the 30-minute Small Group Lesson station, students need:

- PAPER OR INDIVIDUAL WHITEBOARD.** Students need these materials to represent reasoning during Small Group Lessons. Zearn Student Notes offer additional space for students to solve problems during Small Group Lessons.
- CONCRETE MANIPULATIVES.** The Help Center has a list of concrete [manipulatives needed for Small Group Lessons](#).
- PAPER ZEARN STUDENT NOTES AND EXIT TICKETS.** Small Group instruction time can be used to provide feedback.

Plan your weekly math schedule

Structure weekly math time so students complete all grade-level content. Download the [Zearn Recommended Schedule](#):

- Whole group time for fluency and word problems each day (Minimum 15 minutes daily).
- Time for each student to complete 4 Independent Digital Lessons every week (Minimum 30 minutes daily).
- Time for each student to complete 4 Small Group Lessons every week (Minimum 30 minutes daily).
- Weekly flex time to focus on student needs and address alerts from Zearn Reports.

Create your Week 1 plan

The first week with Zearn Math sets up students to be successful independent learners. Zearn recommends that teachers:

- Complete 2–3 Independent Digital Lessons as a whole class to orient to the flow of an Independent Digital Lesson.
- Model completing paper Student Notes and correcting them when prompted in the Guided Practice section.
- Discuss strategies for persevering through challenges, including using Student Notes, Guided Practice, and Boosts.
- Practice rotating between the Small Group Lesson station and Independent Digital Lesson station.

Establish classroom systems and routines

Setting up strong systems and routines helps establish the Zearn Math rotational classroom model. The Help Center has [anchor charts and ideas](#) to support setting up:

- Systems that help students efficiently transition between stations and keep track of materials for each station.
- Systems that support completing—and correcting!—Student Notes while working through Independent Digital Lessons.
- Systems that encourage students to build a growth mindset and persevere through challenge.
- Systems for turning in Exit Tickets for teacher feedback after completing the daily lesson.
- Systems for prompting participation and discussion during Teacher-Led Instruction.
- Systems for tracking goals and celebrating student effort, both individually and as a class. Download the [Brainly Weekly Lesson Tracker](#) for a fun classroom goal tracker!

Share Zearn Math with parents

Zearn offers resources to help explain Zearn Math to parents:

- Send home the [Zearn Parent Letters](#) or host a parent orientation or back to school night with the [Zearn Parent Presentation](#).