



Ascend Math News January 2015

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New Year's Math Riddle

What letter of the alphabet is the one which comes eight letters before the letter which comes five letters after the fourth appearance of the first letter to occur four times in this sentence?

Answer at the bottom of the newsletter.



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Conferences

[TASA](#)
Jan 25 - 28, 2015
Austin, TX
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[TCEA](#)
Feb 4 - 6, 2015
Austin, TX
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[ASCD](#)
Mar 21 - 23, 2015
Houston, TX
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[NCTM Annual - Boston](#)
Apr 15 - 18, 2015
Boston, MA
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Product Update

The final new interactive video lessons are now live in Ascend Math. If you haven't looked these new interactive videos over, now might be a good time to do so. It seems that students are enjoying them. Here are just a few of the comments we received.

"They like the interactivity. The students are surprised when they see their name in the captions."

"Students enjoy the interaction. The interactivity makes this program unique."

"I think it helps them to remain focused on what objective is being taught."



Tip of the Month

Did you know that you can view the exact data your students are seeing? You have access to each student's individual dashboard. You'll find the student dashboard under Student Reports.



Partner School of the Month



Congratulations to Challenger Middle School in Colorado Springs, CO, our Partner School of the Month.

Students at Challenger Middle have been busy averaging 27 hours working in Ascend with an average gain in score of 31%. Already 43% have completed one grade level or more and 12% have completed two or more.

Challenger Middle School was the recipient of the 2014 John Irwin School of Excellence Award. The award is granted to schools scoring in the top 8% for School Accountability.



Announcing: 2014 Reel Success Video Contest Winners



Congratulations to the winners of the Ascend Math Reel Success Video Contest!

First Place: Crosby Middle School, Crosby, TX
Second Place: Avon Intermediate School East, Avon, IN
Third Place: Pine Ridge High School, Deltona, FL



\$1000 in Cash Prizes!



Announcing the Create Your Own Explorations Contest. Submit your idea for an Ascend Math Exploration and you could win up to \$500. The Create Your Own Math Exploration Contest gives you an opportunity to share your knowledge and creativity and win one of the cash prizes.

Download the official [Storyboard Template and Instructions](#)



Recent Blog Posts



- [Announcing Reel Success Video Contest Winners](#)
- [Education Tech Trends for 2015](#)
- [Holiday Math Facts and Fun](#)
- [Announcing Explorations Contest](#)
- [Dr. Brian Scott explains why his teachers and students prefer Ascend Math](#)

Answer to Math Riddle



The answer is "r". The first letter to appear four times is "t". Five letters after the fourth "t" is "p". Three letters before that is "r".

Do you have teachers new to Ascend Math, consider a [Quick Start Training](#).

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