

Teacher #14 (4th Grade)

Having used Woot Math, what are your feelings about it?

I love it. First of all, student engagement is really high, and everyone wanted to do it. When they first started using Woot Math, I could see that they did not have a strong grasp of some of the fraction concepts being presented. But they would then model the problems using the fraction circle manipulatives, and I watched as they continued to try and retry the problem until they understood the concepts. That is hands on technology at its best because they really want to use the technology and are excited about it. I really liked the number line and fraction pieces.

Woot Math is a perfect 4th grade math center. In my class I set up three centers, one group that would work independently, one group that would use Woot Math, and I would work with one group. It is perfect for this level. It is really easy to use Woot Math with no teacher input, and I could focus on the other groups which was really nice. The kids would help each other out when questions came up, and it was kids that you wouldn't expect. It was also very differentiated, even though some had a deeper understanding than others, it was never too easy for them. It was very differentiated.

What were your feelings about it prior to using it?

Excited to use it.

Having used Woot Math, what are your students feelings about it?

They liked it, and many asked if they can go back and get three stars. A few students didn't want to do it at the end because we did it every day. Although many of them did ask to use it daily. I think 2-3 times a week would be perfect.

What were their feelings about it when they started?

None at all

How helpful do you think it was for your students?

For some it was extremely helpful. Woot Math provided the capability of paper and pencil, all within the app. It was great to watch the students count hops on the number line. I would have liked to have had more of a chance to observe the higher performing students, since I spent most of the time with the ones that were lower.

Did you notice any changes in your students attitudes about the material or their self confidence during the program?

They were always excited to use it, even though they used it every day! They liked to do it. I don't think I noticed any change in self confidence.

How engaged were they by Woot Math?

Highly engaged, and remained high. Usually engagement drops off at the end of the year, but not so with Woot.

What aspects did your students like best?

They liked the manipulatives, that they could move around pieces and erase. The tools are great. I really enjoyed watching them make mistakes and then figuring out how to fix them on their own.

What aspects did your students like least?

No problems, kids could help other kids. Very minimal help from me required.

What aspects did you like best?

I love the captured screens from the teacher dashboard. I also like that Woot Math sees their mistakes and tailors to their needs. It is nice to see it in the graph, that it is adjusting in real time. I also like how engaged they are - I knew they weren't going off topic or losing focus. It is a great tool to have - totally independent learning, with high focus that everyone can do.

What aspects did you like least?

I'd like the ability to print them out. Also sometimes it was confusing when students would go in and out of a lesson without doing anything, because it appeared blank on the dashboard.