



## Emoji Graph Grades K-2

### Introduction:

This activity is open and gives space for students to learn about representing in a graph with different dimensions but without numbers.

### Agenda

Activity	Time	Description/Prompt	Materials
Mindset Video	5 min	Play the mindset video.	Mindset Video
Emoji Graph	10 min	Read and analyze a graph 1. What ideas do you have? 2. What do you notice? 3. What questions do you have? 4. What information is this giving to you?	LCD projector Paper/journal Pencil/pen
Create your own graph	15 min	Create a graph with a partner or a team.	Poster paper Markers Meter sticks/Rulers
Interpret a graph	10 min	Interpret another team's graph. Share graphs made by students with the whole class. Allow students time to study the graph. Ask students to explain what the graph illustrates. Students can pose questions to the group who made the graph but we do not stress having groups present their work. In this activity we like to have the students try to read and understand the work done by other students.	
Mindset Message Debrief	5 min	Debrief the mindset messages for this activity.	



## Activity

In this activity students discuss the ways that graphs can communicate variability along two dimensions.

Project the Emoji Graph and ask students to think about what the graph is saying. Ask students to record their answers to four questions about the graph in their notebooks or journals.

What do you notice?

What do you wonder?

What questions do you have?

What information does this graph provide?



The graph deliberately does not include numbers. Ask students to think intuitively about what the graph is communicating and not worry about labelling axes. If students want to assign numbers when discussing what they notice, they can do so, but do not make this a requirement.

After giving individual time for students to think and answer the questions, ask students to share their ideas with their group. Ask students to make sure that every student has the chance to talk about what they noticed about the graph and one question. When groups are finished sharing, bring them together as a class and discuss students' ideas and questions.

After the class discussion invite students to make their own graphs, choosing the topic of the graph and the dimension it varies along. In our summer school students chose topics such as ice cream, entertainment, desserts, and candy. [add pics of the posters from summer school] it is important to leave the topic open for groups to decide upon, which increases students' interest engagement, and learning. The axis of the graph does not have to have numbers, although they can if students decide this.

While groups work to make graphs, listen in to how they are coming to agreement about where to place items on the graph. As you listen encourage students both to share their own ideas and ask other's to share their ideas. If you notice individuals dominating what is recorded on the poster, ask them to share with you how they are deciding where to place items on the graph. If you ask about their decisions for a specific item you can join their discussion and model the kind of conversation that leads to making a col-laborative agreement.

In the next part of the activity groups will read each other's graphs. When each group has at least 5 items placed on their graph show the class one of the posters and ask them to study the graph. Once they have had a little time to understand the graph ask students to share their observations. This is a time to focus them back on the four questions they considered when thinking about the emoji graph.

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