

## Online Community of Practice 2018/2019 Making Math Fun! – Webinar Summary

### When

Making Math Fun! was held on November 22, 2018 from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

### Why

We planned this webinar as an opportunity to share some tips, tricks and teaching strategies to make math fun and engaging for learners.

### What

Three presenters covered the following topics:

- General Principles and Approaches to Making Math Fun
- Finding the “one-der” in Math
- Gamification, Gamer Psychology and Math

Following the presentations, we talked about using Videos, Blogs, and Cartoons to make math fun and there was time for questions and answers.

### Who

**Barb Glass** – Executive Director – College Sector Committee for Adult Upgrading (CSC)/long-time math educator

**Wayne Miedema** – Instructor – Essential Skills Upgrading (ESU) – Waterloo Region District School Board

**Summer Burton** – Project Manager – Literacy Link South Central’s Gamification Project

### How

To access the webinar and resources, please go to: <https://e-channel.ca/practitioners/lbs-online-community-practice>

While you’re there, you may wish to review the topics of previous webinars that the Online Community of Practice has developed and delivered!

### Next

The Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) Online Community of Practice would like to support the LBS field not just in accessing information via the webinar series, but also to encourage the literacy field in further distributing and applying knowledge presented during the webinars. Here are some suggestions for how you may wish to use the Making Math Fun! webinar:

- Take action by researching some of the links and resources shared in the webinar. Make an action plan to prioritize, use, and evaluate some of the strategies. Implement some strategies.

## Next

- Make math or numeracy a topic of conversation at a staff meeting.
  - How do you make math fun for your learners?
  - What strategies did you try from the webinar and how did they work with your learners?
  - What ideas would you like to try in the future?
  - What are any barriers to implementing them and how will you overcome them?
  - Need some assistance? Share what you need with your regional literacy network and provincial support organizations.