Glossary of Manipulatives

	Algeblocks [®] This assortment of colored blocks provides students with a concrete way to represent constants and variables. Students can use Algeblocks to build representations of abstract algebraic expressions and equations. The blocks can be manipulated to perform various operations and solve problems.
	AngLegs [®] AngLegs enable students to study polygons, perimeter, area, angle measurement, side lengths, and more. The set includes 72 snap-together AngLegs pieces (12 each of six different lengths) and two snap-on View-Thru [®] protractors.
	Centimeter Cubes These plastic cubes are 1 cm on a side and come in 10 colors. They can be used to teach counting, patterning, and spatial reasoning. They are suitable for measuring area and volume and also may be used to generate data for the study of probability.
	Color Tiles These 1" square plastic tiles come in four different colors: red, blue, yellow, and green. They can be used to explore many mathematical concepts, including those associated with geometry, patterns, and number sense.
	Deluxe Rainbow Fraction [®] Circles This set consists of nine color-coded, $3\frac{1}{2}$ ["] plastic circles representing a whole, halves, thirds, fourths, fifths, sixths, eighths, tenths, and twelfths. The circles enable students to explore fractions, fractional equivalences, the fractional components of circle graphs, and more.
	Deluxe Rainbow Fraction[®] Squares This set consists of nine color-coded, 10-cm plastic squares representing a whole, halves, thirds, fourths, fifths, sixths, eighths, tenths, and twelfths. The squares enable students to explore fractions, fractional equivalences, and more.
41 5 4 4 3 5 4 6 5 6	Number Cubes The faces of the number cube are marked with the numerals 1 through 6. The cubes may be used in games and to generate random numbers.

Pattern Blocks Pattern Blocks come in six different color-shape varieties: yellow hexagons, red trapezoids, orange squares, green triangles, blue parallelograms (rhombuses), and tan rhombuses. They can be used to teach concepts from all strands of mathematics; for example, algebraic concepts such as patterning and sorting, as well as geometry and measurement concepts such as transformations, symmetry, and area. The blocks can also be used to study number and fraction relationships.
Polyhedral Dice Set This set consists of 4-, 6-, 8-, 10-, 12-, and 20-sided dice that may be used for a variety of probability activities. Dice may be used to generate data for number and operations activities as well as for data analysis.
Rainbow Fraction[®] Circle Rings Each of these five plastic rings fits around the Deluxe Rainbow Fraction Circles, allowing the various sectors to be measured. This set consists of a Degree Measurement Ring, a Fraction Measurement Ring, a Decimal Measurement Ring, a Percent Measurement Ring, and a Time Measurement Ring.
Relational GeoSolids [®] Relational GeoSolids is a set of 14 three-dimensional shapes that can be used to teach about prisms, pyramids, spheres, cylinders, cones, and hemispheres. GeoSolids facilitate classroom demonstrations and experimentation. The shapes can be filled with water, sand, rice, or other materials to give students a concrete framework for the study of volume.
Spinners Spinners enable students to study probability and to generate numbers and data lists for number operations and data analysis.
Two-Color Counters These versatile counters are thicker than most other counters and easy for students to manipulate. They can be used to teach number and operations concepts such as patterning, addition and subtraction, and multiplication and division. Counters also can be used to introduce students to basic ideas of probability.
XY Coordinate Pegboard The XY Coordinate Pegboard can be used to graph coordinates in one, two, or four quadrants; to show translations of geometric figures; to display data in various forms; and to demonstrate numerous algebraic concepts and relationships.

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