

## GRADE 8 VOCABULARY TEACHER INFO

## **SAMPLE**

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## **SpiralEd Solutions Vocabulary Cards Directions**

- Prepare a set of cards for each student. This can be done on cardstock, colored paper, or plain paper; or have a class set of cards with enough cards for each pair of students to work. Sets can be reused each year.
- Distribute and introduce 4 cards each week. This will facilitate introduction of the entire deck the first semester of school.
- Have students write the information listed below on the back of the appropriate card.
- Have students interact with cards for a few minutes each day. Vary activities, teaching students how best to benefit from vocabulary cards. With only four new cards a week, students are not overwhelmed.
- Test student progress every few weeks. Students must understand that as the deck grows, they are responsible for all words to date.
- Play games with the cards. Make the experience as fun and positive as possible.
- Acknowledge students who use vocabulary from the cards in classroom conversations.
- The cards may not follow a particular Grade 8 scope and sequence. They are somewhat random. This is intentional. Students are not learning vocabulary for a given unit, but for Grade 8 math in general. Frontloading future vocabulary helps students master new concepts more quickly.

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Card 9	x-intercept; the end of the story
Card 10	y-intercept; the beginning of the story; b
Card 15	variable
Card 16	increase
Card 19	<b>perimeter</b> , "around", measured in linear units (fence, picture frame, border)
Card 20	dilation
Card 31	pentagon (5); hexagon (6); octagon (8)
Card 45	vertex (vertices)
Card 46	Exterior Angle Theorem
Card 55	accumulate
Card 56	balance

(**Bold** indicates primary term.)