



## Guide for Families

Minnesota's Perspective™ system has individually targeted instructional resources based on each student's test results. It uses student responses to provide feedback and learning resources that target the student's specific areas for remediation and enrichment.

Perspective runs on mobile devices and on Windows and Macintosh operating systems. However, Perspective will not run on Internet Explorer 8.

This guide provides the following information:

- Accessing the Student and Family Site
- Learning Resources
- Viewing Learning Resources Without a Learning Locator™
- Using Learning Locator to View Learning Resources
- Using a Teacher-Made Assignment Sheet
- Accessing Additional Parent Resources
- Support for Questions

## Accessing the Student and Family Site

There are different options for entering the student and family site based on the information your school has provided. Access the student and family site at <https://mn.pearsonperspective.com/perspective/>.

1. Click on the **Enter Family Site** button. This will allow users to browse a variety of learning resources.
2. If you have an assignment code from your teacher or a Learning Locator provided by the school, type it into the box below “Please enter Pass Phrase/Assignment ID/Learning Locator” and click the Go! button. This will take you directly to the content selected by the teacher or generated by the Learning Locator.

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**Welcome**

Please enter Pass Phrase / Assignment ID / Learning Locator

What is this?

## Learning Resources

Perspective provides thousands of learning resources for students to get focused instruction and practice in Math, Language Arts, and Science. There are four ways to access the learning resources:

1. Browse the resource library (without a Learning Locator)
2. Via a Learning Locator code
3. Via a teacher-made assignment sheet
4. Accessing Parent Resources

See the following sections for quick instructions about using these four options.

Each student's individual Learning Locator code will be provided to each student's school and district this August, and then each year when statewide assessment results are reported. The Learning Locator code leads directly to appropriate instructional resources linked to individual online content.

## Viewing Learning Resources Without a Learning Locator

1. On the Perspective home page, click on a Grade icon under the Math or Language Arts or Science sections.

**PERSPECTIVE™** LEARNING RESOURCES PARENT RESOURCES

### Announcement

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Welcome Minnesota students and parents!  
We hope you enjoy the new Pears on Perspective site for Minnesota. This site has thousands of learning resources to help students improve and achieve. Talk with your teacher for recommendations on areas you can focus on or simply select a grade & subject below to dive into a wealth of resources.

### Math Learning Resources

GRADE 3 GRADE 4 GRADE 5 GRADE 6 GRADE 7 GRADE 8

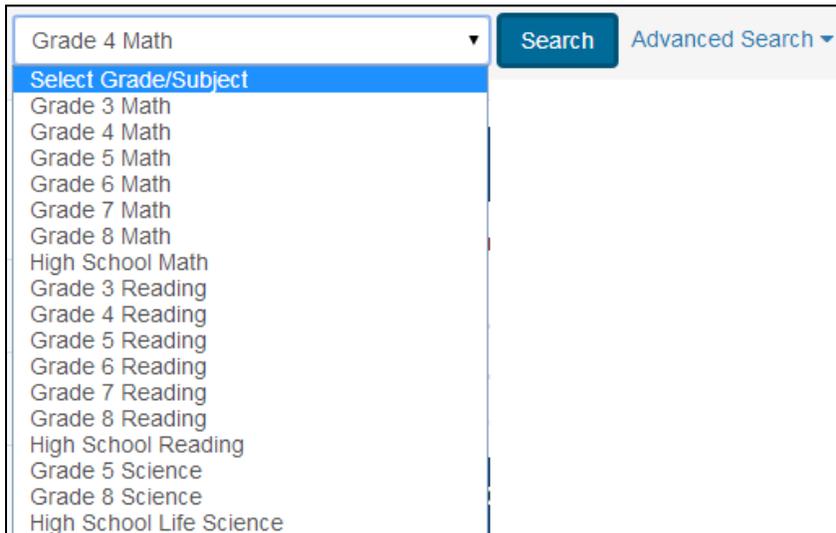
2. A list of learning resources for this grade/subject will display. Click on a learning resource name to launch the learning resource.

**Search Results for Grade 4 Math** Sort by

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>0 and 1 as Factors</b> <i>Instruction - Interactive - Medium</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>0 and 1 in Division (written as MC)</b> <i>Practice - Printable - Medium</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>4 as a Factor</b> <i>Instruction - Interactive - Medium</i>	

3. When you are done with the resource, close the window to return to the previous page.

Alternately, you may use the Grade/Subject drop down list to change your grade and/or subject. Then click **Search** to retrieve the list of learning resources.



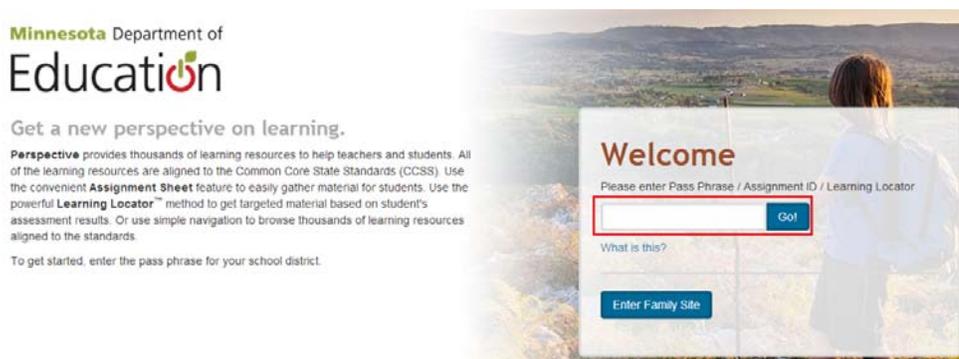
The screenshot shows a search interface with a dropdown menu on the left and a search area on the right. The dropdown menu is currently set to "Grade 4 Math" and has a list of options below it: "Select Grade/Subject", "Grade 3 Math", "Grade 4 Math", "Grade 5 Math", "Grade 6 Math", "Grade 7 Math", "Grade 8 Math", "High School Math", "Grade 3 Reading", "Grade 4 Reading", "Grade 5 Reading", "Grade 6 Reading", "Grade 7 Reading", "Grade 8 Reading", "High School Reading", "Grade 5 Science", "Grade 8 Science", and "High School Life Science". To the right of the dropdown is a "Search" button and an "Advanced Search" link with a dropdown arrow.

A third option is to use the Advanced Search feature to narrow your selection by strand, resource type, and resource format. Then click **Search** to retrieve a list of learning resources.

## Using Learning Locator to View Learning Resources

The student's Learning Locator code can be obtained from the student's school beginning this August. There will be a separate code for Mathematics, Reading, and Science in selected grades.

1. On the Perspective home page, enter your student's Learning Locator into the box labeled *Pass Phrase/Assignment ID/Learning Locator*.



2. Click the **Go!** button. Select a strand on the left side of the page by clicking on the desired strand name. Users may sort the list of resources by Type or Format by clicking one of the column headings.

Resources for Learning Locator: **MNM3001**

Grade 3 Math - Algebra		Name (ID)	Description	Type	Format
Number & Operation <b>31</b>		Counting from Any Number (number line) (10930)	Counting from Any Number (number line)	Printable	Practice
Algebra <b>14</b>		Solving Word Problems with Subtraction Sentences (11037)	A learning resource for writing subtraction number sentences to solve word problems	Printable	Practice
Geometry & Measurement <b>15</b>		Multiplying by 2 (11682)	Multiplying by 2	Printable	Practice
		Dividing with 3 and 4 (14920)	A demonstration on using division	Interactive	Instruction
Data Analysis <b>4</b>		Division Stories (14954)	A demonstration on making pictures to solve division	Interactive	Instruction
		Writing Multiplication Sentences (14964)	A demonstration on writing multiplication sentences	Interactive	Instruction

- Click on any resource under the Name (ID) column to see the actual resource. Each learning resource will display in a new browser window or tab.

Resources for Learning Locator: **MNM5211**

Grade 5 Math (MCA-III) - Geometry & Measurement		Name (ID)	Description
Geometry & Measurement <b>16</b>		Volume II (11641)	Volume II
Algebra <b>38</b>		Drawing Patterns for Solids II (12176)	Drawing Patterns for Solids II
Data Analysis <b>13</b>		Surface Area #2 (12305)	Finding surface area of prisms
		Multi-step Problems (tile floor) (12605)	Multiple choice calculating area and costs
Number & Operation <b>45</b>		Solids and Shapes (14874)	A demonstration on identifying faces and sides of
		Patterns with Solids (15237)	A demonstration on identifying parts of a solid

- When you are done with the resource, close the window to return to the previous page.

# Using a Teacher-Made Assignment Sheet

1. On the Perspective home page, enter the Assignment Sheet ID in the field in the middle of the screen.



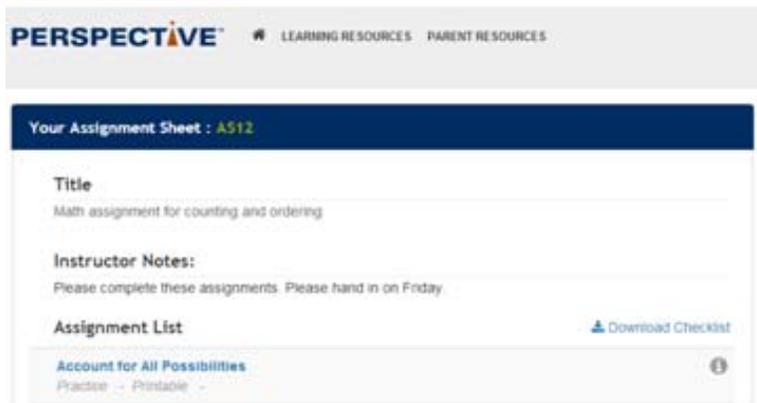
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2. Click the **Go!** button.
3. The Assignment Sheet screen will display a list of the learning resources your teacher has assigned. Click on a learning resource name to launch the learning resource.



4. When you are done with the resource, close the window to return to the previous page.
5. Repeat the above steps for each learning resource on the Assignment Sheet screen.

Note: If Learning Resources comprising video and sound are to be used, then sound card and headphones with in-line volume control are required.

## Accessing Additional Parent Resources



Selecting the Parent Resource link allows parent to view a variety of resources from the Minnesota Department of Education, including:

- Minnesota Academic Standards
- Math and Science Frameworks
- English Language Arts Standards Implementation Toolkit

## Support for Questions

For additional help, you may contact the Pearson Help Desk at 888-817-8659 or [MNHelp@support.pearson.com](mailto:MNHelp@support.pearson.com). For email requests, please be sure to include as much of the following information as possible:

- Name
- Email address
- Computer operating system
- Browser
- School name
- School district
- City
- State
- Your question