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We have carefully reviewed and hereby certify that we meet and comply with the aforementioned code for the sale of: Wheels, Compact Guides, Flip Charts, Total Motivation Science for the Next Generation; ThinkUp! Series for Math and ELA; Total Motivation Science; CCSS-Aligned Assessments: (Math, Reading), Math Vocabulary Adventure, Success Series; Critical Thinking in the Classroom: A Practitioner's Guide; Team ThinkUp!, ThinkUp! Foundations Flip Chart; Library Resouce App. Mentoring Minds not only holds the copyright on all materials mentioned above, but also is the sole provider of these products. They are not available for purchase from any business other than Mentoring Minds.

Brief description of product:

Accommodations Wheel - is a tool to assist teachers, parents, and specialists as they collaboratively make decisions to help students be successful in school and have equal access to curriculum

ADD/ ADHD Wheel - is a tool to assist teachers, parents, and specialists to collaboratively make decisions to help students with attention and behavior difficulties

Depth of Knowledge – Revised Bloom's Wheel – provides educators quick and easy access to critical thinking tools based on Webb's Depth of Knowledge and Revised Bloom's Taxonomy

Classroom Best Practices Wheel – helps administrators monitor the implementation of effective instruction and quality assessment strategies. Guides teachers to use best practices to strengthen assessment for learning and to plan quality instruction that improves teaching and learning

Critical Thinking Student Wheel - is a resource for students to develop and improve students' questioning and thinking skills.

Critical Thinking Student Wheel/Teacher Guide - is a teacher resource that suggests critical and creative thinking strategies and activities.

Critical Thinking Educator Wheel - provides educators quick and easy access to critical thinking prompts based on Bloom's Taxonomy. Available in English and Spanish.

Compact Guides - easy-to-use resource that provides educators techniques and strategies for creating the disciplined environment needed for effective learning

- Assessments Guide
- Behavior Strategies Guide (K-5 and 6-12)
- Critical Thinking Strategies Guide
- Differentiated Instruction Guide
- English Language Learners Strategies Guide
- Intervention Strategies Guide

Flip Charts - easy to use resource for educators. These full size flip charts address a variety of topics that help educators provide high quality instruction and build positive learning environment. Each guide focuses on a different topic and contains 16 tabs that offer a multitude of techniques and strategies about the topic.

- Standards Mastery Series Flip Charts
- Math Manipulatives Flip Chart
- Master Instructional Strategies Flip Chart
- Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) Flip Chart

ThinkUp! Series for Math and ELA – Teachers and Students can work in the book and online. Real-Time Online Progress Monitoring. Provides reports to quickly identify learning gaps for the entire district, campus, class, a specific group, or individuals. Allows flexibility for administrators to analyze school performance on individual standards. Tracks progress and informs instruction for educators.

- **Math** –Teacher Edition Instructional Guide and Answer Key offers freedom to mix, match, and optimize online and print components to address different learning styles and differentiate instruction. Comprehensive analyses of the Common Core State Standards with Unit Instructional Plans that support the teaching of the targeted

standards in order to increase student confidence for standardized tests. The flexibility to support any curricula or scope and sequent.

Student Edition provides students with opportunities to apply, analyze, connect, and reinforce the standards in real-world and mathematical contexts. A variety of items that promote concept development, problem solving, collaboration, and communication.

Real-Time Progress Monitoring with Motivation Online identifies learning gaps at the district, school, class, or individual level. Reveals opportunities to improve instruction and develop student skills needed to master the Common Core State Standards.

Analyzes each assessment item by Common Core State Standards, DOK Level, and Bloom's Level.

- **ELA** – Teacher Edition Instructional Guide and Answer Key offers freedom to mix, match, and optimize online and print components to address different learning styles and differentiate instruction. Comprehensive analyses of the Common Core State Standards with Unit Instructional Plans that support the teaching of the targeted standards in order to increase student confidence for standardized tests. The flexibility to support any curricula or scope and sequent.

Student Edition provides students with opportunities to apply technology and learn the Common Core State Standards in the context of diverse literature and informational selections. Meaningful texts that require students to apply critical thinking skills such as analysis, evaluation, and synthesis. A variety of activities that foster critical thinking, creative thinking, collaboration, and communication.

Real-Time Progress Monitoring with Motivation Online identifies learning gaps at the district, school, class, or individual level. Saves teachers time with automatic grading of multiple-choice items. Reveals opportunities to improve instruction and develop student skills needed to master the Common Core State Standards. Analyzes each assessment item by Common Core State Standards, DOK Level, and Bloom's Level.

Total Motivation Science for the Next Generation – Integrates Disciplinary Core Ideas with Science and Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts. Peaks student interest through hands-on experiences that focus on engaging phenomena. Builds common language to communicate understanding of practices, content, and crosscutting concepts. Offers opportunities to communicate new learning, connect learning to other content area, and apply learning in new contexts. Provides a variety of assessments (pre-assessment, formative assessment, self-assessment, summative assessment) in a variety of formats, including open response, multiple-response, multiple choice, and hands-on performance assessments. Real-Time Progress Monitoring with Motivation Online identifies learning gaps at the district, school, class, or individual level. Saves teachers time with automatic grading of multiple-choice items. Reveals opportunities to improve instruction and develop student skills needed to

master the Common Core State Standards. Analyzes each assessment item by Common Core State Standards, DOK Level, and Bloom's Level.

CCSS-Aligned Assessments-

- **Math** - Contain two complete benchmark assessments for pre-, mid-, or post assessment throughout the year. Address each Common Core Standard for mathematics in each respective grade level. Include a variety of question formats including selected response, short constructed response and extended response. Promote flexibility of use in a variety of classroom settings. Identify the level of each question based on Webb's Depth of Knowledge (DOK) and the Rigor/Relevance Framework. Include a teacher administration guide, an answer key, and a class progress chart. Include real-time online progress monitoring.
- **Reading** – Include literary and informational selections in a variety of genres. Offer Forms A and B to benchmark student mastery of standards though out the year. Provide selected-response, constructed-response and performance task writing formats. Include an administration manual with answer keys coded to the Common Core Standards, Bloom's Original/Revised, and DOK levels. Feature real-time online progress monitoring.

Motivation Math Vocabulary Adventure – Enhances mathematics vocabulary development through critical thinking, problem solving, and journaling activities. Identifies essential mathematics vocabulary terms from the Common Core Standards with a definition and, when appropriate, a graphical representation. Offers a series of five questions or activities based on the levels of Bloom's Taxonomy. Identifies the level of each question based on Webb's Depth of Knowledge (DOK). Includes a teacher guide with each set of student editions.

Success Series-

- **Best Walkthrough Practices (Principal Success Series):** Refine your classroom walkthrough habits with dozens of best practices, tips, and suggestions from current and former principals. This book helps administrators reflect on their walkthrough practices in order to create a culture of improvement in teaching and learning.
- **Critical Thinking for School Leaders (Principal Success Series):** Critical thinking is an essential element for preparing every learner to succeed in school and throughout life. School leaders are instrumental in establishing a positive tone for embracing critical thinking and cultivating a thinking environment throughout the school. Investing in an initiative to promote deeper thinking can favorably impact teaching and learning.

- **Parent and Family Engagement (Teacher Success Series)-** Build positive relationships with parents to affect the success of students as well as the success of the campus. This book offers suggestions on how to cultivate and strengthen home-to-school partnerships with parents.

Critical Thinking in the Classroom: A Practitioner's Guide – Lay the foundation for student growth and achievement with a practitioner's guide that shares the why and the how for building critical thinking skills in K-12 classrooms.

Team ThinkUp!—Introduces the 9 Traits of Critical Thinking through the lenses of ELA, Math, and Science. Authentic examples and cross-curricular activities teach students to apply the 9 traits in context and reflect on their thinking.

ThinkUp! Foundations Flip Chart- Guides educators as they create a thinking culture that promotes student engagement, deeper understanding, and a lifetime of learning.

Mentoring Minds Resource Library App-

Explore an extensive offering of our best-selling educator resources right from your smartphone. You will have unprecedented access to best practices, research-based strategies, and practical ideas right at your fingertips:

- Standards Mastery
- Parent Engagement
- Vocabulary Cards
- Word Play Activities
- Social and Emotional Learning
- English Language Learners

The modules feature hundreds of ready-to-use instructional activities + interventions/extensions, and practical, proactive strategies + techniques. Plus, print your own set of vocabulary cards with **our in-app print** functionality

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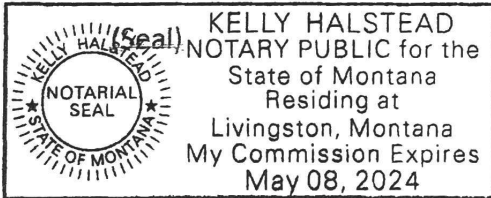
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