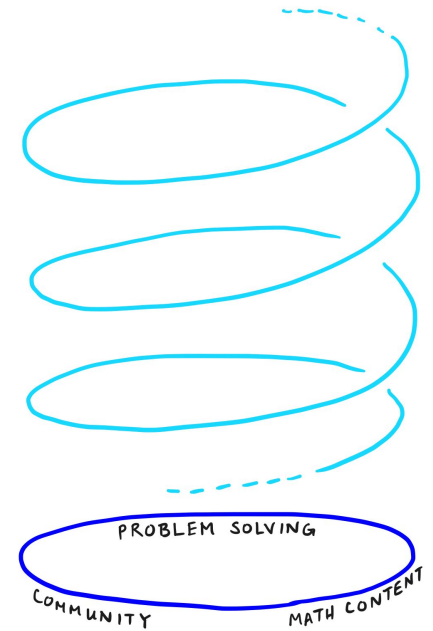




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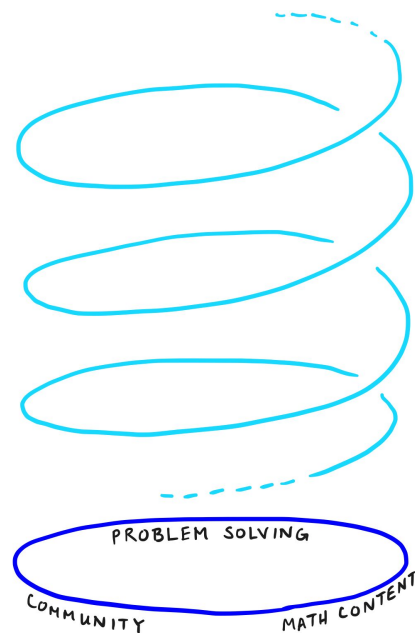
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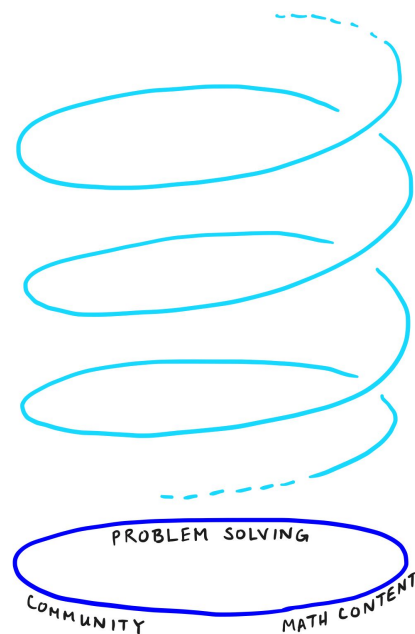
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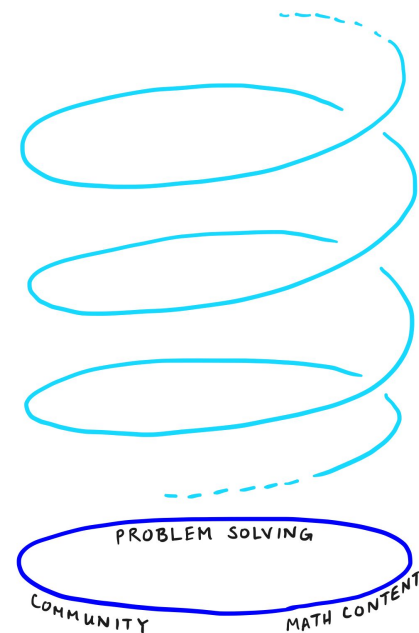
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Math Circle tasks provide low-floor access to essential disciplinary questions, with high ceilings that connect to important, deep mathematical ideas.

Fostering Problem-Solving Habits of Mind^{2,3}

Math Circle problems are facilitated in ways that promote authentic mathematical experiences, where participants maintain agency in driving exploration of mathematics.

Building a Community of Mathematical Thinkers and Problem Solvers



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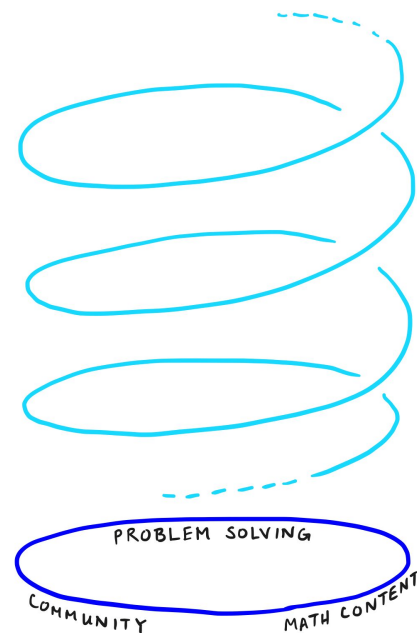
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*“[W]e can teach the world to flail with joy
and find success through persistence.”*

The Global Math Project builds a *global* community of mathematical thinkers and problem solvers.

Commentary from the Field: Elimu Haina Mwisho, “Education has not limits”

Erick Mathew Kaaya, Global Math Project Ambassador
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Lesson Plans. These papers are intended to support leaders of a Math Circle session or progression of sessions.

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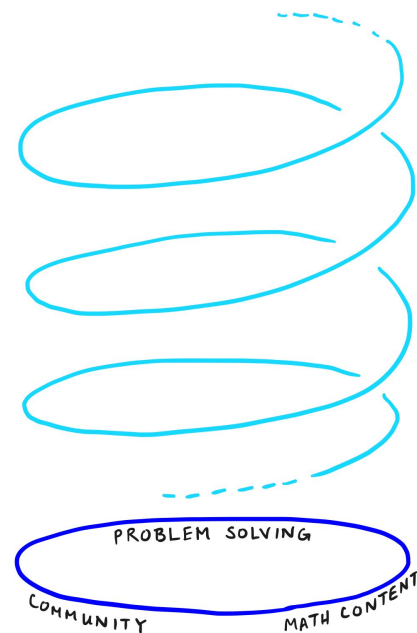
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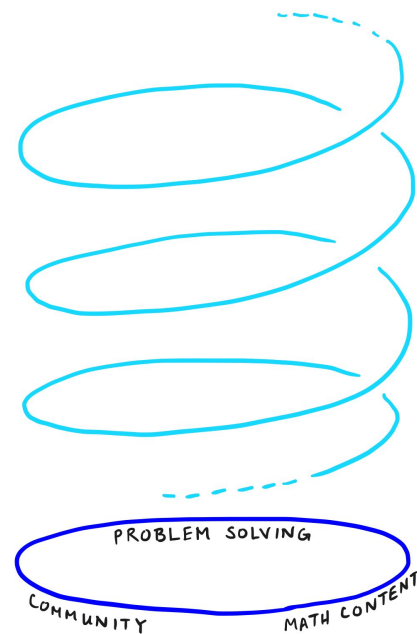
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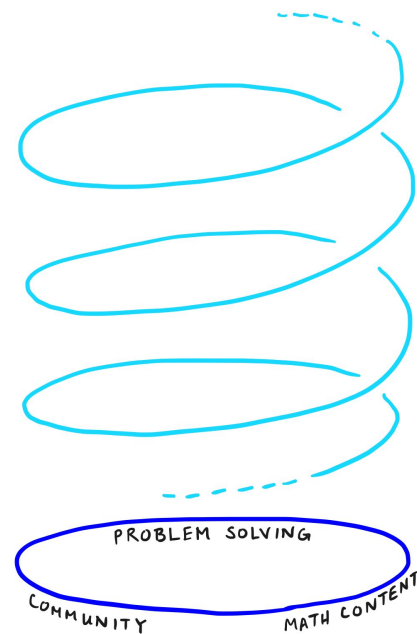
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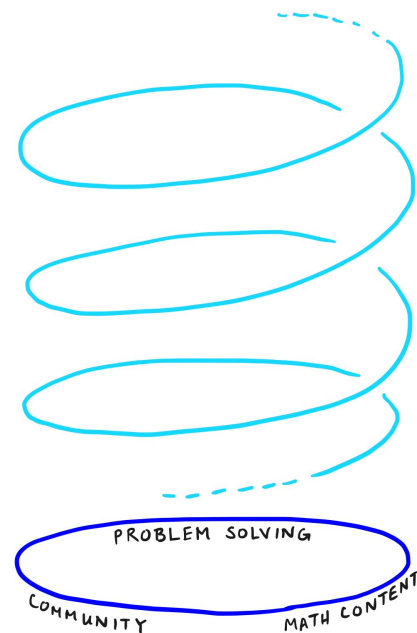
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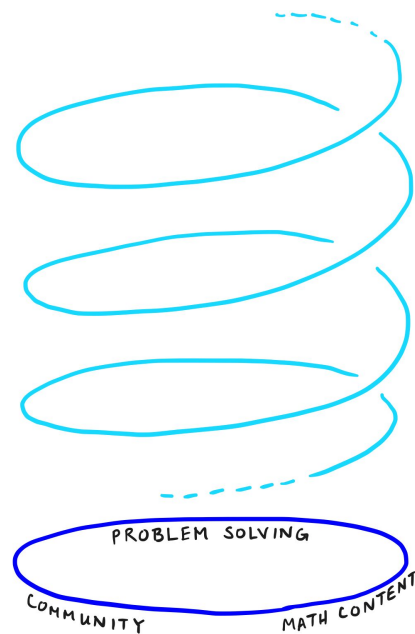


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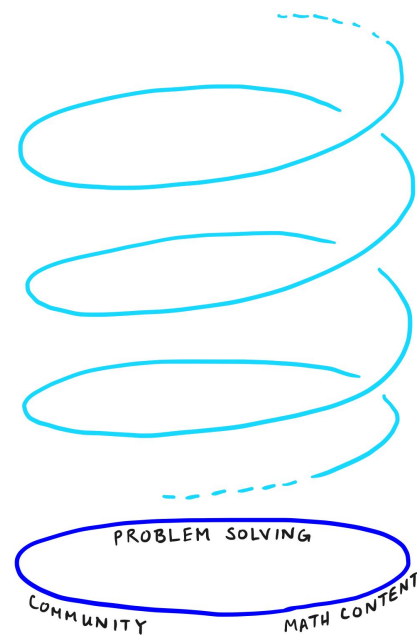


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