

Nine Men's Morris

Skills & Standards Alignment Guide

SKILLS DEVELOPED THROUGH NINE MEN'S MORRIS

Grades K–2

- Turn-taking and rule-following
- Recognizing visual patterns
- Matching positions on a board
- Early strategic thinking

Grades 3–5

- Pattern recognition
- Planning moves ahead
- Understanding cause and effect
- Spatial reasoning

Grades 6–8

- Multi-step strategic planning
- Evaluating board positions
- Logical problem solving
- Anticipating opponent moves

Grades 9–12

- Strategic optimization
- Game state analysis
- Abstract reasoning about systems
- Advanced planning and counter-strategy

NINE MEN'S MORRIS STANDARDS ALIGNMENT

Nine Men's Morris reinforces pattern recognition, logical reasoning, spatial awareness, and strategic planning across grade levels.

INDIANA ACADEMIC STANDARDS (2020) – Mathematics

- **Grade 2 – 2.PS.1:** Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- **Grade 4 – 4.PS.2:** Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
- **Grade 6 – 6.PS.3:** Construct viable arguments and critique reasoning.
- **Grade 7 – 7.PS.3:** Evaluate strategies for solving problems and justify reasoning.

COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS (CCSS) – Mathematics

- **Grade 2 – CCSS.MATH.PRACTICE.MP1:** Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- **Grade 4 – CCSS.MATH.PRACTICE.MP7:** Look for and make use of structure.
- **Grade 6 – CCSS.MATH.PRACTICE.MP8:** Look for regularity in repeated reasoning.