Comparison of *Benchmarks* and NCTM *Standards*

	Benchmarks	Standards
Purpose	emphasizes literacy	emphasizes instruction
Domains	mathematics, science, and technology	mathematics
Grade ranges	K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12	K-4, 5-8, 9-12
Organized by	topic, then grade range	grade range, then topic
Topic areas	same across grade ranges	vary across grade ranges

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