**Textbook Series**

- **Connected Mathematics.** Dale Seymour Publications, 1998
- **Mathematics in Context.** Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corporation, 1998
- **MathScape.** Creative Publications, 1998
- **Middle Grades Math Thematics.** McDougal Littell, 1999
- **Mathematics Plus.** Harcourt Brace & Company, 1994
- **Middle School Math.** ScottForesman—Addison Wesley, 1998
- **Math Advantage.** Harcourt Brace & Company, 1998
- **Heath Passport.** McDougal Littell, 1996
- **Heath Mathematics Connections.** D.C. Heath and Company, 1996
- **Transition Mathematics.** ScottForesman, 1995
- **Middle Grades Math.** Prentice Hall, 1997

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**Ranking by Quality of Instruction in Student and Teacher Editions**

**Selected Benchmarks**

- **Number Concepts**
- **Number Skills**
- **Geometry Concepts**
- **Geometry Skills**
- **Algebra Graph Concepts**
- **Algebra Equation Concepts**

**KEY**

- Range of Average Instructional Criteria Scores
- Median
- Un satisfactory
- Satisfactory

- **Most content**
- **Partial content**
- **Minimal content**
The chart compares 12 of the textbooks that were evaluated and shows how well each scored on its depth of coverage and the quality of its instructional support across all six benchmarks. The data represent both the range and variation of scores across the instructional criteria. The three top-rated textbook series had a median rating of more than 2.5 on a scale of 0-3 points for all of the 24 instructional criteria for all six benchmarks. To show the range of scores given to each book across the 24 criteria for instructional quality, the summary chart indicates the median and also the highest and lowest criterion scores for each textbook. The diagram below explains how to interpret the quality of instructional support data shown in the chart.

A quarter (6) of the ratings are in the range between the shaded box and the lowest rating.

Half (12) of the ratings are in the range shown by the shaded box.

A quarter (6) of the ratings are in the range between the shaded box and the highest rating.

This is the lowest rated criterion.

This is the median rating for all 24 instructional criteria.

This is the highest rated criterion.

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