

Thinking Right

The Complete Logic Textbook for Young Minds

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Curriculum Overview

Thirty-six chapters with five days each. New words appear in *italics* the first time they're used and also in the Glossary. Colored boxes mark examples, exercises, definitions, challenges, and teacher notes.

-  Examples
-  Exercises
-  Definitions
-  Challenge
-  Teacher Notes

Lesson 1: What Is Logic? – Day 1



Logic: Careful thinking to decide what is true or false.



True or false?

- Birds can fly.
- Cars are fish.
- Dogs are animals.



Sort these

1. Sun shines at night.

2. Fish live in water.

3. All pencils are made of cheese.



Explain why

Lesson 1: What Is Logic? – Day 2



Aristotle: An ancient Greek thinker who studied how we reason.



Inductive vs Deductive

- Inductive: Many birds we saw can fly → maybe birds fly.
- Deductive: All squares have four sides; this is a square → it has four sides.



Label I or D

1. Five friends like apples → maybe most kids do.

2. All mammals breathe air; whales are mammals → whales breathe air.



Teacher Note: Underline the rule in deductive examples.

Lesson 1: What Is Logic? – Day 3



Spot the type

- “I saw 3 red cars, maybe most cars are red.” (I)
- “All dogs bark; Fido is a dog \rightarrow Fido barks.” (D)



Make your own

1. Write one inductive idea from your day.

2. Write one deductive rule you can use.



Mini Story

- Write 3 sentences that show an inductive guess, then a deductive check.

Lesson 1: What Is Logic? – Day 4



Everyday logic

- If it is cloudy, we might take a coat. If rules say 'walk', we walk.



Apply it

1. Write a classroom rule you can use deductively.

2. Write a guess you made inductively.



Teacher Note: Praise clear explanations over 'right' answers.

Lesson 1: What Is Logic? – Day 5



Journal

1. Draw Aristotle and write one thing about logic.

2. Write one way logic helps you.

Lesson 2: Statements & Quantifiers — Day 1



Statement: A sentence that can be true or false.



Quantifier: A word like *all*, *some*, or *none* that tells how many.



Examples

- All birds have feathers.
- Some snacks are sweet.
- No cars can fly.



Find the quantifier

1. All dogs bark.

2. Some books are long.

3. No trees are blue.

Lesson 2: Statements & Quantifiers — Day 2



Is it a statement?

- “Close the door.” (No, command)
- “The door is closed.” (Yes)



Write statements

1. Use ‘all’

2. Use ‘some’

3. Use ‘none’



Fix it

- Turn a question into a statement: “Is it raining?” → _____.

Lesson 2: Statements & Quantifiers — Day 3



True/False with quantifiers

- All cats are plants. (F)
- Some fruits are red. (T)



Mark T or F

1. All fish swim on land.

2. Some birds can fly.



Teacher Note: Let students justify T/F.

Lesson 2: Statements & Quantifiers — Day 4



Apply

1. Write 3 statements about your class: one with all, some, none.

2. Explain how to check one of them.

Lesson 2: Statements & Quantifiers — Day 5



Journal

1. Which quantifier was easiest? Why?

Lesson 3: Syllogisms — Day 1



Syllogism: Two premises lead to a conclusion.



Model

- All cats are animals. Mittens is a cat. So Mittens is an animal.



Identify parts

1. Premise 1: _____

2. Premise 2: _____

3. Conclusion: _____

Lesson 3: Syllogisms — Day 2



Correct/Incorrect

- All dogs are pets. Fido is a dog. → Fido is a pet. (✓)
- All dogs are pets. Fido is a pet. → Fido is a dog. (X)



Fix the mistake

1. All kids like apples. Sam likes apples. → Sam is a kid. (What's wrong?)

Lesson 3: Syllogisms — Day 3



Finish

1. All birds have feathers. Tweety is a bird. So _____.

2. All toys are fun. This is a toy. So _____.



Create one

- Write a syllogism about animals or school.

Lesson 3: Syllogisms — Day 4



Apply

1. Make a picture for your syllogism and label premises and conclusion.

Lesson 3: Syllogisms — Day 5



Journal

1. What makes a syllogism incorrect?

Lesson 4: Fallacies — Day 1



Fallacy: A thinking mistake that seems right but isn't.



Common fallacies

- Hasty generalization
- False cause
- Ad hominem



Spot it

1. “One puppy barked, so all puppies bark loudly.” (Which fallacy?)

Lesson 4: Fallacies — Day 2



False cause

- I wore a hat and it rained → Hats cause rain? (No)



Explain

1. Why is that a mistake?



Teacher Note: Ask for better evidence.

Lesson 4: Fallacies — Day 3



Ad hominem

- “You’re wrong because you’re little.” (Not a reason)



Fix the fallacy

1. Give a fair reason instead of an insult.

Lesson 4: Fallacies – Day 4



Apply

1. Rewrite: “I met a grumpy cat, so cats are mean.” → _____

Lesson 4: Fallacies – Day 5



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1. Draw a comic: fallacy → fix.

Lesson 5: True or False — Day 1



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Lesson 9: Cause & Effect — Day 2



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Examples

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- Go outside if warm OR sunny.
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Examples

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Try It

1. Fill table cells for $P \cdot Q$, $P + Q$, $P \oplus Q$.

2. Draw circuits for $P + Q$ and $P \cdot Q$.



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Lesson 14: Truth Tables — Day 1



Examples

- Make a 4-row table for $P \cdot Q$.



Try It

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Challenge Corner

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Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 15: Logic Puzzles — Day 2



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- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 18: Review Project — Day 1



Examples

- Story puzzle parts for Review Project.
- Fill a clue table.
- Check one clue at a time.



Try It

1. Write 3 clues.

2. Eliminate impossible choices.

3. Circle the only solution.



Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 18: Review Project — Day 2



Examples

- Story puzzle parts for Review Project.
- Fill a clue table.
- Check one clue at a time.



Try It

1. Write 3 clues.

2. Eliminate impossible choices.

3. Circle the only solution.



Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 18: Review Project — Day 3



Examples

- Story puzzle parts for Review Project.
- Fill a clue table.
- Check one clue at a time.



Try It

1. Write 3 clues.

2. Eliminate impossible choices.

3. Circle the only solution.



Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 18: Review Project — Day 4



Examples

- Story puzzle parts for Review Project.
- Fill a clue table.
- Check one clue at a time.



Try It

1. Write 3 clues.

2. Eliminate impossible choices.

3. Circle the only solution.



Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 18: Review Project — Day 5



Examples

- Story puzzle parts for Review Project.
- Fill a clue table.
- Check one clue at a time.



Try It

1. Write 3 clues.

2. Eliminate impossible choices.

3. Circle the only solution.



Challenge Corner

- Swap puzzles with a friend.

Lesson 19: Patterns in Logic — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Patterns in Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 19: Patterns in Logic — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Patterns in Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 19: Patterns in Logic — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Patterns in Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 19: Patterns in Logic — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Patterns in Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 19: Patterns in Logic — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Patterns in Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 20: Analogies & Relations — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Analogies & Relations.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 20: Analogies & Relations — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Analogies & Relations.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 20: Analogies & Relations — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Analogies & Relations.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 20: Analogies & Relations — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Analogies & Relations.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 20: Analogies & Relations — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Analogies & Relations.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 21: Opposites & Complements — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Opposites & Complements.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 21: Opposites & Complements — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Opposites & Complements.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 21: Opposites & Complements — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Opposites & Complements.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 21: Opposites & Complements — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Opposites & Complements.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 21: Opposites & Complements — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Opposites & Complements.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 22: Visual Logic (Groups) — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Visual Logic (Groups).
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 22: Visual Logic (Groups) — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Visual Logic (Groups).
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 22: Visual Logic (Groups) — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Visual Logic (Groups).
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 22: Visual Logic (Groups) — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Visual Logic (Groups).
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 22: Visual Logic (Groups) — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Visual Logic (Groups).
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 23: Math & Logic — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Math & Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 23: Math & Logic — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Math & Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 23: Math & Logic — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Math & Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 23: Math & Logic — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Math & Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 23: Math & Logic — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Math & Logic.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 24: Equivalence — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Equivalence.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 24: Equivalence — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Equivalence.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 24: Equivalence — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Equivalence.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 24: Equivalence — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Equivalence.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 24: Equivalence — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Equivalence.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 25: Tautology & Contradiction — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Tautology & Contradiction.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 25: Tautology & Contradiction — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Tautology & Contradiction.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 25: Tautology & Contradiction — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Tautology & Contradiction.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 25: Tautology & Contradiction — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Tautology & Contradiction.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 25: Tautology & Contradiction — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Tautology & Contradiction.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 26: Project 2: Detective's Notebook — Day 1



Examples

- Examples for Project 2: Detective's Notebook.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 26: Project 2: Detective's Notebook — Day 2



Examples

- Examples for Project 2: Detective's Notebook.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 26: Project 2: Detective's Notebook — Day 3



Examples

- Examples for Project 2: Detective's Notebook.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 26: Project 2: Detective's Notebook — Day 4



Examples

- Examples for Project 2: Detective's Notebook.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 26: Project 2: Detective's Notebook — Day 5



Examples

- Examples for Project 2: Detective's Notebook.
- Model solution steps.
- Discuss why the answer fits.



Try It

1. Try 4 quick problems.

2. Explain one choice.

3. Create one of your own.



Challenge Corner

- Make it trickier: add a condition.

Lesson 27: Intro to Boolean Algebra — Day 1



Boolean algebra: Math with only 1 (true) and 0 (false).



Switch & Valve

- Switch closed = 1; open = 0.
- Valve open = 1; closed = 0.



Mark 1 or 0

1. Light is on.

2. Valve is closed.

3. Door is open.



Explain

Lesson 27: Intro to Boolean Algebra – Day 2



Truth as numbers

- True = 1
- False = 0

Statement	Truth	Number
It is daytime	True	1
Fish walk on land	False	0



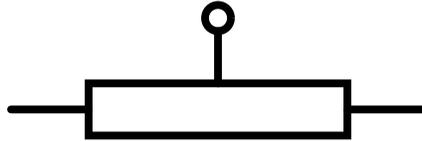
Convert

1. “It is raining.” \rightarrow 1 or 0 (today?)

2. “Cats are animals.” \rightarrow 1

3. “Cars are fish.” \rightarrow 0

Lesson 27: Intro to Boolean Algebra – Day 3



Hydraulics

- Faucet open = water flows (1).
- Faucet closed = no flow (0).



Picture read

1. Mark 1/0 for three faucet sketches.

Lesson 27: Intro to Boolean Algebra — Day 4



Apply

1. Write two everyday booleans.

2. Explain your 1/o choice for each.

Lesson 27: Intro to Boolean Algebra – Day 5



Journal

1. Draw a switch or faucet labeled 1 and 0.

Lesson 28: Boolean Operations (\sim , \cdot , $+$) — Day 1

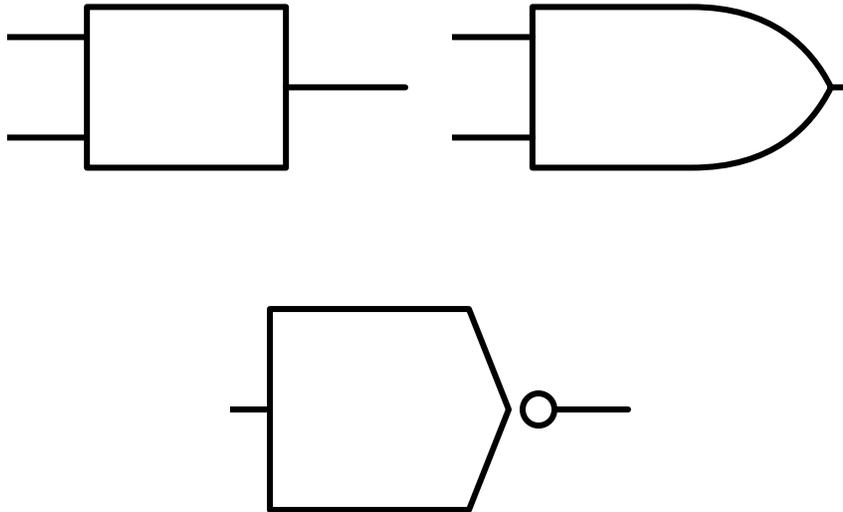


NOT (\sim), AND (\cdot), OR ($+$): Flip, require both, or allow either.

P	$\sim P$
1	0
0	1

P	Q	$P \cdot Q$	$P + Q$
1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1
0	0	0	0

Lesson 28: Boolean Operations (\sim , \cdot , $+$) — Day 2



Switch models

- Series switches \rightarrow AND
- Parallel switches \rightarrow OR



Label

1. Is this series or parallel?

Lesson 28: Boolean Operations (\sim , \cdot , $+$) — Day 3



Fill tables

1. Complete $\sim P$ for $P=1,0$

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2. Complete $P \cdot Q$ and $P + Q$ for four rows.

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Values

- Two valves in series: AND or OR? Why?

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Lesson 28: Boolean Operations (\sim , \cdot , $+$) — Day 4



Apply

1. Write $(L+R)\cdot M$ as words.

2. Explain each part: L, R, M.

Lesson 28: Boolean Operations (\sim , \cdot , $+$) — Day 5



Journal

1. Draw AND vs OR circuits and label them.

Lesson 29: Simplifying Expressions — Day 1



Identities: Shortcuts to make expressions simpler.



Useful facts

- $P+0=P$
- $P\cdot 1=P$
- $P+P=P$
- $P\cdot P=P$
- $P+\sim P=1$
- $P\cdot\sim P=0$



Simplify

1. $(P+0)\cdot 1$

2. $P\cdot(Q+Q)$

3. $(P\cdot\sim P)+Q$

Lesson 29: Simplifying Expressions — Day 2



Circuit view

- Parallel duplicates collapse ($P+P=P$).
- Series duplicates collapse ($P\cdot P=P$).



Circle simplifier

1. $P\cdot 1$ or P

2. $Q+0$ or Q

Lesson 29: Simplifying Expressions — Day 3



Practice

1. $\sim P + P$

2. $(P + R) \cdot (P + \sim R)$

3. $P \cdot (Q + 0)$

Lesson 29: Simplifying Expressions — Day 4



Apply

1. Simplify $(L+R)+(L\cdot R)$.

2. Explain why.

Lesson 29: Simplifying Expressions — Day 5



Journal

1. Draw two equivalent circuits and explain.

A dashed rectangular box intended for drawing the first circuit.

A large dashed rectangular box intended for drawing the second circuit and providing an explanation.

Lesson 30: Truth Tables in Boolean Algebra — Day 1



Truth table: A table that shows when a rule is true (1) or false (0).

P	Q	P·Q
1	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

Lesson 30: Truth Tables in Boolean Algebra — Day 2



Build tables

1. Add $P+Q$ and $\sim P$ columns to a 4-row table.

Lesson 30: Truth Tables in Boolean Algebra — Day 3



Three variables

1. Compute $(P \cdot Q) + R$ for $(1, 0, 1)$ and $(0, 1, 1)$.

Lesson 30: Truth Tables in Boolean Algebra — Day 4



Apply

1. Make a table for $L+(M \cdot \sim R)$. Which rows are 1?

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Lesson 30: Truth Tables in Boolean Algebra — Day 5



Journal

1. Write a rule and build a tiny table.

Lesson 31: Equivalence & Duality — Day 1



Equivalence: Two expressions always match.



Duality: Swap $+/\cdot$ and $1/0$ to find a paired truth.



Example

- $(P \cdot Q) + (P \cdot \sim Q) \equiv P$
- Dual of $P + 0 = P$ is $P \cdot 1 = P$

Lesson 31: Equivalence & Duality — Day 2

P	Q	P+Q	P+~Q	Product	P
1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0

Lesson 31: Equivalence & Duality – Day 3



Find duals

1. $P+1=1 \rightarrow$ _____

2. $P \cdot 0=0 \rightarrow$ _____



Teacher Note: Answer: $P \cdot 0=0$; $P+1=1$.

Lesson 31: Equivalence & Duality – Day 4



Apply

1. Show $P+(Q \cdot \sim Q) \equiv P$ (sentence + table).

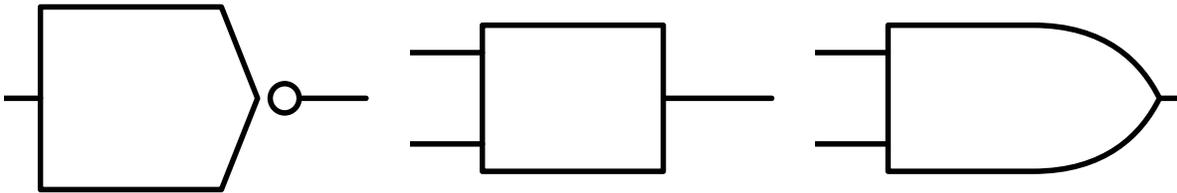
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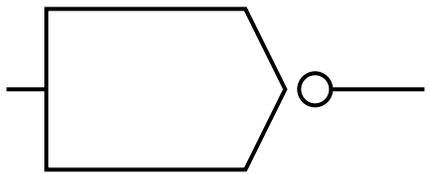
Journal

1. Write two equivalent expressions and explain why.

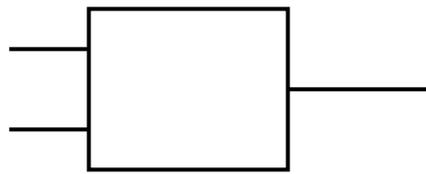
Lesson 32: Logic Gates: NOT, AND, OR — Day 1



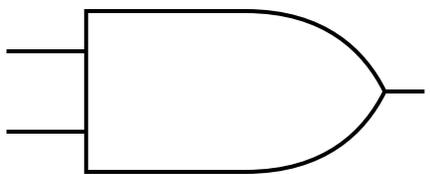
 **Logic gates:** Symbols that show how inputs make outputs.



NOT (~)



AND (·)



OR (+)

Lesson 32: Logic Gates: NOT, AND, OR — Day 2



Switch & Valve models

- NOT as an opposite control
- AND = series; OR = parallel



Tiny tables

1. Fill 2-row NOT table

2. Fill 4-row AND table

3. Fill 4-row OR table

Lesson 32: Logic Gates: NOT, AND, OR — Day 3



Practice

1. Compute $A \cdot B$ for rows.

2. Compute $A + B$ for rows.

Lesson 32: Logic Gates: NOT, AND, OR — Day 4



Apply

1. Draw two-switch circuits for AND and OR.

A dashed rectangular box for drawing the two-switch circuit for the AND gate.

A large dashed rectangular box for drawing the two-switch circuit for the OR gate.

Lesson 32: Logic Gates: NOT, AND, OR — Day 5



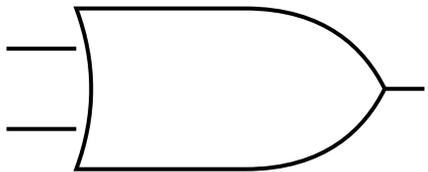
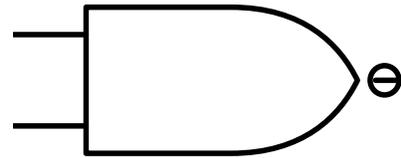
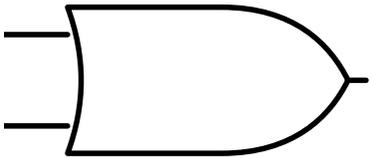
Journal

1. Explain a gate using switches or valves.

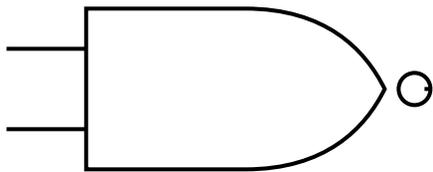
A dashed rectangular box for writing the answer to question 1.

A larger dashed rectangular box for additional notes or a second answer.

Lesson 33: More Gates: XOR, NAND, NOR — Day 1

XOR (\oplus)

NAND



NOR



XOR: Either input true, but not both.



NAND/NOR: NOT(AND) and NOT(OR).

Lesson 33: More Gates: XOR, NAND, NOR — Day 2

A	B	$A \oplus B$
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0



Explain

1. Why is $1 \oplus 1 = 0$?

Lesson 33: More Gates: XOR, NAND, NOR — Day 3



Fill

1. Complete NAND and NOR columns for four rows.

Lesson 33: More Gates: XOR, NAND, NOR — Day 4



Apply

1. Build a 'choose one' light with XOR.

2. Make a water version with two valves.

Lesson 33: More Gates: XOR, NAND, NOR — Day 5



Journal

1. Explain NAND using NOT and AND.

Lesson 34: From Tables to Circuits — Day 1



From tables to circuits: Use 1-rows to build product terms and OR them.

A	B	$\sim B$	$A \cdot \sim B$
1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0

Lesson 34: From Tables to Circuits — Day 2



SOP (Sum of Products)

- $F = A \cdot \sim B + \sim A \cdot B$ (XOR).



Write SOP

1. Make SOP from the 1-rows of a small table.

Lesson 34: From Tables to Circuits — Day 3



Practice

1. Draw circuit for $F=(L+R)\cdot M$.

Lesson 34: From Tables to Circuits — Day 4



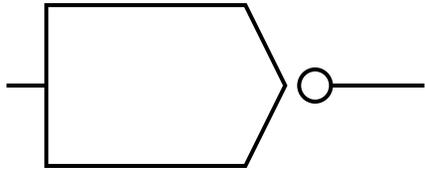
Apply

1. Design sprinkler: (Front OR Back) AND Timer.

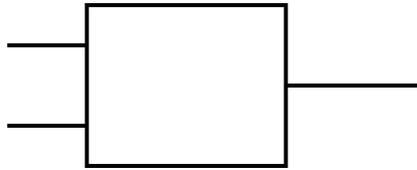
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2-input truth table template

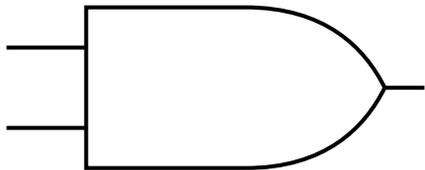
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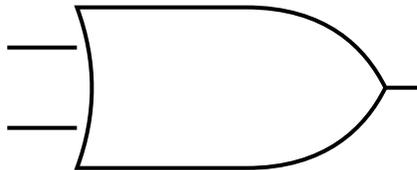
NOT (\sim)



AND (\cdot)



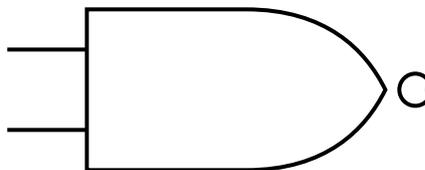
OR ($+$)



XOR (\oplus)



NAND



NOR



Lesson 35: Designing a Logic Machine (Capstone) — Day 1



Ideas

- Door light: (Door open) · (Night)
- Sprinkler: (Front + Back) · Timer



Plan

1. List inputs (P,Q,R).

2. What is the output (F)?

3. Write the rule.



Test

- Make a truth table for your design.

Lesson 35: Designing a Logic Machine (Capstone) — Day 2



Ideas

- Door light: (Door open) · (Night)
- Sprinkler: (Front + Back) · Timer



Plan

1. List inputs (P,Q,R).

2. What is the output (F)?

3. Write the rule.



Test

- Make a truth table for your design.

Lesson 35: Designing a Logic Machine (Capstone) — Day 3



Ideas

- Door light: (Door open) · (Night)
- Sprinkler: (Front + Back) · Timer



Plan

1. List inputs (P,Q,R).

2. What is the output (F)?

3. Write the rule.



Test

- Make a truth table for your design.

Lesson 35: Designing a Logic Machine (Capstone) — Day 4



Ideas

- Door light: (Door open) · (Night)
- Sprinkler: (Front + Back) · Timer



Plan

1. List inputs (P,Q,R).

2. What is the output (F)?

3. Write the rule.



Test

- Make a truth table for your design.

Lesson 35: Designing a Logic Machine (Capstone) — Day 5



Ideas

- Door light: (Door open) · (Night)
- Sprinkler: (Front + Back) · Timer



Plan

1. List inputs (P,Q,R).

2. What is the output (F)?

3. Write the rule.



Test

- Make a truth table for your design.

Lesson 36: Thinking About Thinking (Reflection) — Day 1



Look Back

- Aristotle and clear thinking
- Your favorite puzzle
- A gate you remember



Share

1. Write a short story using if–then.

2. Teach a friend one new thing from this book.



Future You

- Where will logic help you next year?

Lesson 36: Thinking About Thinking (Reflection) — Day 2



Look Back

- Aristotle and clear thinking
- Your favorite puzzle
- A gate you remember



Share

1. Write a short story using if–then.

2. Teach a friend one new thing from this book.



Future You

- Where will logic help you next year?

Lesson 36: Thinking About Thinking (Reflection) — Day 3



Look Back

- Aristotle and clear thinking
- Your favorite puzzle
- A gate you remember



Share

1. Write a short story using if–then.

2. Teach a friend one new thing from this book.



Future You

- Where will logic help you next year?

Lesson 36: Thinking About Thinking (Reflection) — Day 4



Look Back

- Aristotle and clear thinking
- Your favorite puzzle
- A gate you remember



Share

1. Write a short story using if–then.

2. Teach a friend one new thing from this book.



Future You

- Where will logic help you next year?

Lesson 36: Thinking About Thinking (Reflection) — Day 5



Look Back

- Aristotle and clear thinking
- Your favorite puzzle
- A gate you remember



Share

1. Write a short story using if–then.

2. Teach a friend one new thing from this book.



Future You

- Where will logic help you next year?

Glossary



Analogies: A way to show how two pairs of things are related in a similar way.



AND (\cdot): A way of joining statements so both must be true.



AND gate: A circuit symbol that only outputs 1 when both inputs are 1.



Aristotle: An ancient Greek thinker who studied how we reason, helping start the study of logic.



Boolean algebra: Math that uses only 1 (true) and 0 (false).



Complement: Opposite parts that fit together, like P and $\sim P$.



Conditional: An 'if...then' statement.



Contradiction: A statement that can never be true (always false).

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Instructor & Parent Section



Teaching Approach

Keep it playful and visual. Ask students to explain *why*. Use mistakes as learning moments.



Pacing (5 Days per Lesson)

1. Day 1: Discover — stories, pictures, sorting
2. Day 2: Model — demonstration
3. Day 3: Practice — guided/independent
4. Day 4: Apply — new situations
5. Day 5: Journal/Project — reflect or present



Answer Keys (Highlights)

- L1 D vs I: #1 D, #2 I.
- L3 Correct vs Incorrect syllogisms shown.
- L13 Tables: XOR = one but not both.
- L25: $P + \sim P = 1$ (tautology); $P \cdot \sim P = 0$ (contradiction).
- L31 Duals: $P + 1 = 1 \leftrightarrow P \cdot 0 = 0$.



Extensions