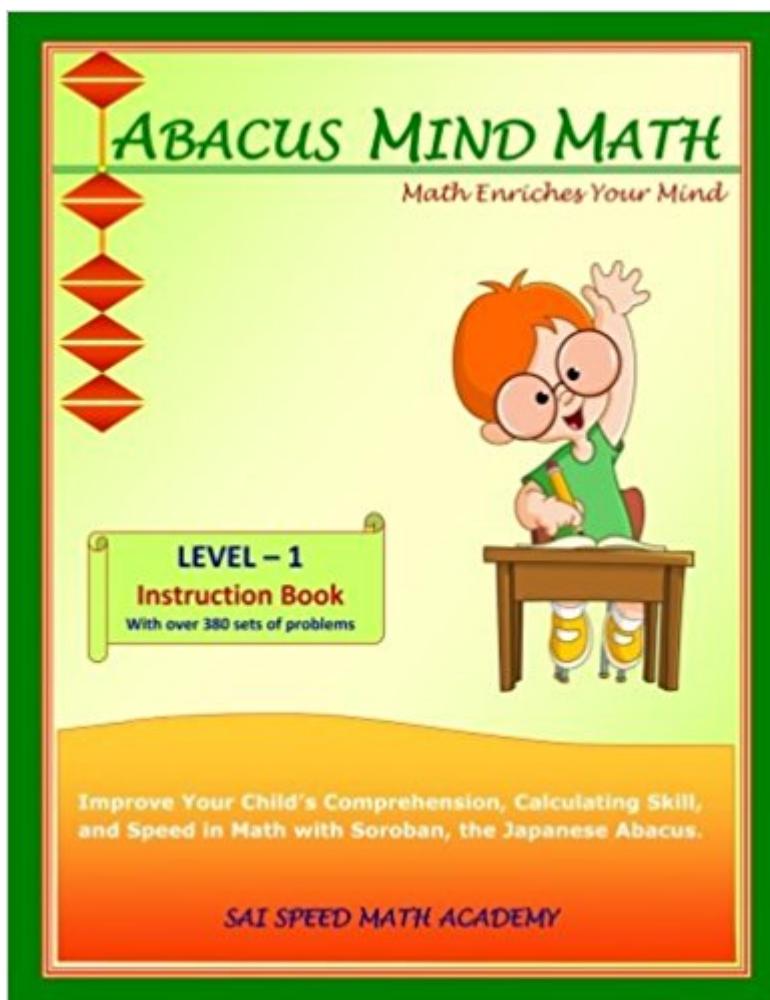


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# Abacus Mind Math Instruction Book Level 1: Step By Step Guide To Excel At Mind Math With Soroban, A Japanese Abacus (Volume 1)



## **Synopsis**

Abacus Mind Math Instruction Book Level 1 (for teachers and parents): Goal for Level â “ 1  
Addition â “ without carryover problems Subtraction â “ without borrowing problems Topics covered:  
Basics of abacus How to do mind math How to do dictation 5 exchange concepts explained in detail with examples Skill building activities explained Instruction book includes: Examples for each concept with detailed pictures and steps by step instruction on how to calculate and what to tell your students while teaching. Theory behind the formulas explained in simple terms. Over 380 sample problems for teachers and parents to practice the concepts. These sample problems can be used to introduce your child to the concept with effortless ease. Instruction on how to effectively introduce children to mind math with ways to build the skill. Dictation â “ a very important aspect of abacus training is explained with useful ideas to achieve. Skill building activities are explained that help you train your child. Common mistakes made by students with ways to help them avoid making these mistakes are outlined. Corresponding practice work for children is given in the two workbooks that are sold separately under the following titles. Abacus Mind Math Level 1 Workbook 1: Excel at Mind Math with Soroban, a Japanese Abacus Abacus Mind Math Level 1 Workbook 2: Excel at Mind Math with Soroban, a Japanese Abacus Soroban, the Japanese abacus is a very useful visual tool that helps children â ^seeâ ™ numbers as beads while calculating. Soroban perfectly fits with the base 10 number system used at present and provides a systematic method (formulas) to follow while calculating both on the tool and in the mind. Mastering of this tool will enhance your childâ ™s basic math comprehension, speed and accuracy. In general, when children practice mind math, they get a very important sense of achievement that helps raise their confidence as students. You can also see an improvement in their concentration, tenacity, memory power and listening skills.

## **Book Information**

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## Customer Reviews

I just purchased the Level 1 & 2 Workbooks and Instruction books and after spending several days reading them, I must say I am very happy with my purchase. All of the books are well written, nicely illustrated, easy to read, understand and follow. They are all well worth the price paid. Just what I have been looking for to learn the abacus and mental math myself, so I can teach it to my grandson. Level 1 covers 20 weeks of instruction with daily exercises and Level 2 covers an additional 22 weeks of lessons with daily practice problems. The workbooks are just that - workbooks to be used for the daily exercises. The Instruction Books are very important because they cover the "how to" part of the course with easy to follow, step by step illustrated instructions. Before ordering I thought the prices for the instruction books were a little high, but after reading them I realized they were worth the price paid. By comparison, here in the SF Bay Area, there are private schools that teach the Abacus and Mental Math. The going rates are \$17 to \$20 for a once a week 1 to 1 1/2 hour class - plus additional charges for books and materials. Way too expensive for me. For just a fraction of that, I can purchase the Abacus Mind Math books and study whenever I want at home. Thank you Abacus Mind Math.

I've purchased the three levels of this series teaching the Japanese abacus (soroban). I grew up, having been taught the use of the soroban. This book series has been quite valuable in the review of the abacus for myself and teaching it to my family. The instruction books and the workbooks for each level are well written with much practice to accompany each lesson. The multi sensory way of learning mathematics by means of the soroban makes a great impact upon your learning. Visual, hearing the problems, motor memory by moving the beads and sensory by means of your hands. Even if you've never used an abacus, the instruction books will help you to understand the theory and use before you teach it to your own children.

Great Soroban program

Very good book!

I bought the Abacus Mind Math Instruction Book along with Workbook 1 and Workbook 2 about a month and a half ago. This is the best set of books I have come cross on Abacus. It is very detailed, self-explanatory and structured. I am glad I purchased this. Kudos to SAI Speed Math Academy for doing a wonderful job. I even called them to find out if they have any plans to publish other levels. The person on the phone was really very kind and helpful! . Can't wait for their Level 2. My son loves it! He eagerly awaits the day when he could finish the Level 1 and take the test to get a personalized certificate. If you are considering to buy one, I recommend buying all 3 books together (Instruction Book, Workbook 1 and Workbook 2)

Great product! The book is clear and easy to understand and read.

Abacus Mind Math is an excellent book that helps parents and instructors to teach Abacus math to their kids. The concepts are illustrated well using text and pictures. Any reader with basic math skills will be able to pick up Abacus teaching skills using this book. I recommend this book for parents and instructors.

I bought this book in combination with both of the workbooks. This system has transformed the way my daughter views numbers, her capabilities and intelligence, her school experience, and our relationship. She has had trouble with number concepts and operations since she started school, and she is now third grade. We spent hours every night doing the one or two sheets of homework she was assigned. She didn't understand grouping, number lines, those drawings of blocks, lines and dots, the number machine--none of it. She tested "within normal range" at school, but anything she couldn't count on her fingers was difficult for her to comprehend. We dreaded homework every night, and more often than not one or both of us ended up crying. It was creating a rift--I felt so frustrated and powerless, and I lost my patience often. I was worried that she was reaching the age that she would fall behind the other kids, or she would just push it aside rather than struggle with it, with me. I knew I had to give her a different way to look at numbers. When I was in high school, someone came to our Japanese class one day and taught us how to use the soroban (abacus). I learned how to use it in about ten minutes, and I remember we were doing lots of different operations within the class period (not that I remember them now). So I found this system online, and purchased it, as well as a soroban. For a few weeks, she fought me--she didn't want to take the chance of failing at this too. But once she tried it, she got it in a snap. Within one session, she was

able to use the abacus to add and subtract numbers she would have struggled with on paper, and would have been impossible for her to do in her head. We spent extra time on the abacus part, so that she was extremely comfortable and confident when we moved onto mental math. We have only been doing the mental math section 10-15 minutes a day, three days or so a week, and she can already add and subtract pretty much any non-carrying number less than 100--in a series of three to five equations (eg. 10+25-30+2-1+17). In her head! I have to use the abacus to keep up with her. I am so proud of her, and thankful for this system.

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