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Classroom Management

Mini Lab (4 computers)

There are 4 computers in my classroom and I mostly use it as a center. In the beginning of the school year I break my class roster into 4 groups of 4 for the computer center with an allotted time of 30 minutes. Each group will be able to have computer time twice a week because they are already scheduled for a Computer Class once a week as a whole class, which also lasts 30 minutes. This usually changes later when I learned the students as individuals and there are so many variables that influence how I group my students, such as: how they are motivated, how they work together, their capabilities, and their work paces. During computer time each student will be assigned assignments each time from River Deep or from various teacher-approved and assigned online games.

Single Computer Classroom

A single computer would definitely bring about a lot of challenges. I would mostly use the computer for whole class presentations of various teacher-approved educational websites during group time. There will also be a scheduled time for students in groups of 4 but they will have to take turns directly touching the mouse. The work assigned to students in groups will be center-based instruction.