**Three-term arithmetic: Interview questions**

**General notes of participant (any issues, relevant comments)**

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**Q1: Can you tell me about how you were solving the problems?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Q2. Turn over the page.**

**Q2. There are two ways that the problems can be solved, a). Left-to-right and b). Right-to-left. For example:**

**“46 + 38 – 35”**

a). Left-to-right: First performing “46 + 38 = 84” and then “84 – 35 = 49”

b). Right-to-left: First performing “38 – 35 = 3” and then “3 + 46 = 49”

2a. Which of the above do you think is a better strategy? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2b. Why do you think it is a better strategy? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2c. Did you ever use the ‘Right-to-left’ strategy? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2d. If your answer to the above was ‘No’, please explain why not.

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2e. If your answer to the above was ‘Yes’, approximately when did you start to use the strategy?

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2f. Were you aware of any difference in the spacing between the numbers? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2g. For the condition that you were in, the (left/right) most digits were presented physically before the whole problem. Did you notice this? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_