Unit 3 Lesson 14: More Arithmetic with Complex Numbers

1 Which One Doesn't Belong: Complex Expressions (Warm up) Student Task Statement

Which one doesn't belong?

A. *i*²

B. (1 + i) + (1 - i)

C. $(1 + i)^2$

D. (1+i)(1-i)

2 Powers of *i* (Optional)

Student Task Statement

1. Write each power of *i* in the form a + bi, where *a* and *b* are real numbers. If *a* or *b* is zero, you can ignore that part of the number. For example, 0 + 3i can simply be expressed as 3i.

i^0	i^4
i^1	i ⁵
<i>i</i> ²	i^6
<i>i</i> ³	i ⁷
	i ⁸

- 2. What is i^{100} ? Explain your reasoning.
- 3. What is i^{38} ? Explain your reasoning.

3 Add 'Em Up (or Subtract or Multiply) (Optional)

Student Task Statement

For each row, your partner and you will each rewrite an expression so it has the form a + bi, where a and b are real numbers. You and your partner should get the same answer. If you disagree, work to reach agreement.

partner A	partner B
(7+9i) + (3-4i)	5i(1-2i)
2i(3+4i)	(1+2i) - (9-4i)
(4 - 3i)(4 + 3i)	(5+i) + (20-i)
$(2i)^4$	$(3+i\sqrt{7})(3-i\sqrt{7})$
$(1 + i\sqrt{5}) - (-7 - i\sqrt{5})$	$(-2i)(-\sqrt{5}+4i)$
$\left(\frac{1}{2}i\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}i\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}i\right)$	$\left(\frac{1}{2}i\right)^3$