## ACES: Algebraic Concepts for Elementary Students Summer Institute, July 19-23 and 26-30, 2010

## Agenda Day 2

- 1. Welcome!
- 2. <u>Mangos</u>: Of a collection of mango fruits, the king took 1/6, the queen 1/5 of the remainder, the three chief princes 1/4, 1/3, and 1/2 of the successive remainders, and the youngest child took the remaining 3 mangoes. O you who are clever in miscellaneous problems on fractions, give out the measure of the collection of mangoes.\*



\*This is a tax problem written in the ninth century by Mahavira, a great mathematician and astronomer. It comes from his famous book *Ganita-Sara-Sangraha* (*A Vast Ocean*). This book, which is technical in content and development, provides historical evidence of Indian (Hindu) mathematics.

- 3. Fraction Focus:
  - a. Understanding the unit
  - b. Representations of fractions
- 4. Concepts and Standards Focus:
  - a. Balanced Math Program
  - b. Concepts and skills which is which?
  - c. Intro to Concept Mapping
- 5. Fraction Focus:
  - a. Interpretations of fractions
  - b. Representations of fractions
- 6. Surveys and Closure

