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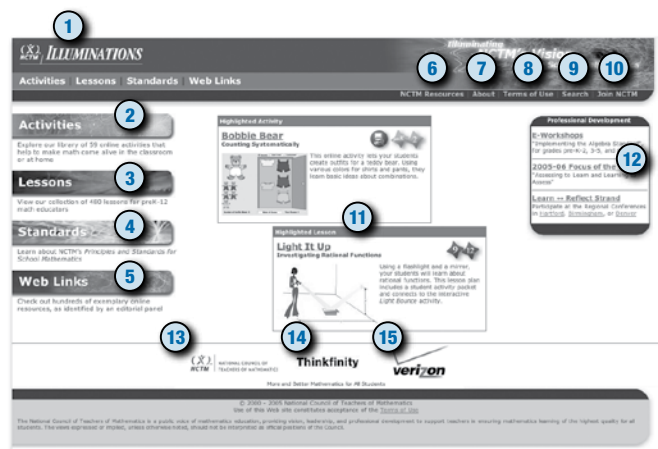
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From the Thinkfinity homepage, click on the Partner site logo, or type illuminations.nctm.org in the address line of your Web browser, and click Enter or press Return.

The Illustrations homepage appears.

The following numbered list corresponds to the screenshot on the right showing the features of the homepage.

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- 3 Search the **Lessons** section to find single-day lessons or multi-day units in mathematics for grades pre-K–12.
- 4 Learn about NCTM's *Principles and Standards for School Mathematics* in the **Standards** section.
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