11 Introduction to Real Numbers and Algebraic Expressions

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Real-World Application

Surface temperatures on Mars vary from −128°C during polar night to 27°C at the equator during midday at the closest point in orbit to the sun. Find the difference between the highest value and the lowest value in this temperature range.

Source: Mars Institute

*This problem appears as Example 13 in Section 1.4.*
1. Translate this problem to an equation. Use the graph below.

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![Mountain Peaks in the United States](image)

Source: U.S. Department of the Interior, Geological Survey

Objectives

- Evaluate algebraic expressions by substitution.
- Translate phrases to algebraic expressions.

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The study of algebra involves the use of equations to solve problems. Equations are constructed from algebraic expressions. The purpose of this section is to introduce you to the types of expressions encountered in algebra.

### Evaluating Algebraic Expressions

In arithmetic, you have worked with expressions such as

- $49 + 75$,
- $8 \times 6.07$,
- $29 - 14$,
- $\frac{5}{6}$.

In algebra, we use certain letters for numbers and work with algebraic expressions such as

- $a + b$,
- $x + 75$,
- $8 \times y$,
- $29 - t$,
- $\frac{a}{b}$.

Sometimes a letter can represent various numbers. In that case, we call the letter a variable. Let $a$ be your age. Then $a$ is a variable since it changes from year to year. Sometimes a letter can stand for just one number. In that case, we call the letter a constant. Let $b$ be your date of birth. Then $b$ is a constant.

Where do algebraic expressions occur? Most often we encounter them when we are solving applied problems. For example, consider the bar graph shown at left, one that we might find in a book or magazine. Suppose we want to know how much higher Mt. McKinley is than Mt. Evans. Using arithmetic, we might simply subtract. But let’s see how we can find this out using algebra. We translate the problem into a statement of equality, an equation. It could be done as follows:

\[
\frac{\text{Height of Mt. Evans}}{14,264} + \frac{\text{How much more is}}{x} = \frac{\text{Height of Mt. McKinley}}{20,320}.
\]

Note that we have an algebraic expression, $14,264 + x$, on the left of the equals sign. To find the number $x$, we can subtract 14,264 on both sides of the equation:

\[
14,264 + x = 20,320
\]

\[
14,264 + x - 14,264 = 20,320 - 14,264
\]

\[
x = 6056.
\]

This value of $x$ gives the answer, 6056 ft.

We call $14,264 + x$ an algebraic expression and $14,264 + x = 20,320$ an algebraic equation. Note that there is no equals sign, $=\,$, in an algebraic expression.

In arithmetic, you probably would do this subtraction without ever considering an equation. In algebra, more complex problems are difficult to solve without first writing an equation.

**Do Exercise 1.**
An algebraic expression consists of variables, constants, numerals, and operation signs. When we replace a variable with a number, we say that we are substituting for the variable. This process is called evaluating the expression.

EXAMPLE 1 Evaluate \( x + y \) when \( x = 37 \) and \( y = 29 \).

We substitute 37 for \( x \) and 29 for \( y \) and carry out the addition:
\[
x + y = 37 + 29 = 66.
\]
The number 66 is called the value of the expression.

Algebraic expressions involving multiplication can be written in several ways. For example, “8 times \( a \)” can be written as
\[
8 \times a, \quad 8 \cdot a, \quad (8a), \quad \text{or simply} \quad 8a.
\]
Two letters written together without an operation symbol, such as \( ab \), also indicate a multiplication.

EXAMPLE 2 Evaluate \( 3y \) when \( y = 14 \).

\[
3y = 3(14) = 42
\]

Do Exercises 2–4.

EXAMPLE 3 Area of a Rectangle. The area \( A \) of a rectangle of length \( l \) and width \( w \) is given by the formula \( A = lw \). Find the area when \( l \) is 24.5 in. and \( w \) is 16 in.

We substitute 24.5 in. for \( l \) and 16 in. for \( w \) and carry out the multiplication:
\[
A = lw = (24.5 \text{ in.})(16 \text{ in.})
\]
\[
= (24.5)(16)(\text{in.})(\text{in.})
\]
\[
= 392 \text{ in}^2, \text{ or 392 square inches}.
\]

Do Exercise 5.

Algebraic expressions involving division can also be written in several ways. For example, “8 divided by \( t \)” can be written as
\[
8 \div t, \quad \frac{8}{t}, \quad 8/t, \quad \text{or} \quad 8 \cdot \frac{1}{t},
\]
where the fraction bar is a division symbol.

EXAMPLE 4 Evaluate \( \frac{a}{b} \) when \( a = 63 \) and \( b = 9 \).

We substitute 63 for \( a \) and 9 for \( b \) and carry out the division:
\[
\frac{a}{b} = \frac{63}{9} = 7.
\]

EXAMPLE 5 Evaluate \( \frac{12m}{n} \) when \( m = 8 \) and \( n = 16 \).

\[
\frac{12m}{n} = \frac{12 \cdot 8}{16} = \frac{96}{16} = 6
\]

Do Exercises 6 and 7.

2. Evaluate \( a + b \) when \( a = 38 \) and \( b = 26 \).

3. Evaluate \( x - y \) when \( x = 57 \) and \( y = 29 \).

4. Evaluate \( 4t \) when \( t = 15 \).

5. Find the area of a rectangle when \( l \) is 24 ft and \( w \) is 8 ft.

6. Evaluate \( \frac{a}{b} \) when \( a = 200 \) and \( b = 8 \).

7. Evaluate \( \frac{10p}{q} \) when \( p = 40 \) and \( q = 25 \).

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8. Motorcycle Travel. Find the time it takes to travel 660 mi if the speed is 55 mph.

**EXAMPLE 6** Motorcycle Travel.
Ed takes a trip on his motorcycle. He wants to travel 660 mi on a particular day. The time \( t \), in hours, that it takes to travel 660 mi is given by

\[
t = \frac{660}{r},
\]

where \( r \) is the speed of Ed’s motorcycle. Find the time of travel if the speed \( r \) is 60 mph.

We substitute 60 for \( r \) and carry out the division:

\[
t = \frac{660}{60} = 11 \text{ hr}.
\]

Do Exercise 8.

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**CALCULATOR CORNER**

Evaluating Algebraic Expressions To the student and the instructor: This book contains a series of optional discussions on using a calculator. A calculator is not a requirement for this textbook. There are many kinds of calculators and different instructions for their usage. We have included instructions here for the scientific keys on a graphing calculator such as a TI-84 Plus. Be sure to consult your user’s manual as well. Also, check with your instructor about whether you are allowed to use a calculator in the course.

Note that there are options above the keys as well as on them. To access the option written on a key, simply press the key. The options written in blue above the keys are accessed by first pressing the blue \( \text{F} \) key and then pressing the key corresponding to the desired option. The green options are accessed by first pressing the green \( \text{I} \) key.

To turn the calculator on, press the \( \text{ON} \) key at the bottom left-hand corner of the keypad. You should see a blinking rectangle, or cursor, on the screen. If you do not see the cursor, try adjusting the display contrast. To do this, first press \( \text{F} \) and then press and hold \( \text{e} \) to increase the contrast or \( \text{d} \) to decrease the contrast.

To turn the calculator off, press \( \text{OFF} \). (OFF is the second operation associated with the \( \text{ON} \) key.) The calculator will turn itself off automatically after about five minutes of no activity.

We can evaluate algebraic expressions on a calculator by making the appropriate substitutions, keeping in mind the rules for order of operations, and then carrying out the resulting calculations. To evaluate \( 12m/n \) when \( m = 8 \) and \( n = 16 \), as in Example 5, we enter \( 12 \cdot 8/16 \) by pressing \( 12 \) \( \text{x} \) \( 8 \) \( \div \) \( 16 \) \( \text{ENTER} \). The result is 6.

**Exercises:** Evaluate.

1. \( \frac{12m}{n} \), when \( m = 42 \) and \( n = 9 \)
2. \( a + b \), when \( a = 8.2 \) and \( b = 3.7 \)
3. \( b - a \), when \( a = 7.6 \) and \( b = 9.4 \)
4. \( 27xy \), when \( x = 12.7 \) and \( y = 100.4 \)
5. \( 3a + 2b \), when \( a = 2.9 \) and \( b = 5.7 \)
6. \( 2a + 3b \), when \( a = 7.3 \) and \( b = 5.1 \)
**Translating to Algebraic Expressions**

In algebra, we translate problems to equations. The different parts of an equation are translations of word phrases to algebraic expressions. It is easier to translate if we know that certain words often translate to certain operation symbols.

**KEY WORDS, PHRASES, AND CONCEPTS**

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**EXAMPLE 7** Translate to an algebraic expression:

Twice (or two times) some number.

Think of some number, say, 8. We can write 2 times 8 as $2 \times 8$, or $2 \cdot 8$. We multiplied by 2. Do the same thing using a variable. We can use any variable we wish, such as $x$, $y$, $m$, or $n$. Let’s use $y$ to stand for some number. If we multiply by 2, we get an expression

$$y \times 2, \quad 2 \times y, \quad 2 \cdot y, \quad \text{or} \quad 2y.$$  

In algebra, $2y$ is the expression generally used.

**EXAMPLE 8** Translate to an algebraic expression:

Thirty-eight percent of some number.

Let $n$ = the number. The word "of" translates to a multiplication symbol, so we get the following expressions as a translation:

$$38\% \cdot n, \quad 0.38 \times n, \quad \text{or} \quad 0.38n.$$  

**EXAMPLE 9** Translate to an algebraic expression:

Seven less than some number.

We let

$$x$$

represent the number.

Now if the number were 23, then 7 less than 23 is 16, that is, $(23 - 7)$, not $(7 - 23)$. If we knew the number to be 345, then the translation would be $345 - 7$. If the number is $x$, then the translation is

$$x - 7.$$  

**Caution!**

Note that $7 - x$ is not a correct translation of the expression in Example 9. The expression $7 - x$ is a translation of "seven minus some number" or "some number less than seven."
EXAMPLE 10 Translate to an algebraic expression:

Eighteen more than a number.

We let

\[ t = \text{the number.} \]

Now if the number were 26, then the translation would be \( 26 + 18 \), or \( 18 + 26 \). If we knew the number to be 174, then the translation would be \( 174 + 18 \), or \( 18 + 174 \). If the number is \( t \), then the translation is

\[ t + 18, \quad \text{or} \quad 18 + t. \]

EXAMPLE 11 Translate to an algebraic expression:

A number divided by 5.

We let

\[ m = \text{the number.} \]

Now if the number were 76, then the translation would be \( 76 \div 5 \), or \( 76/5 \), or \( 15.2 \). If the number were 213, then the translation would be \( 213 \div 5 \), or \( 213/5 \), or \( 42.6 \). If the number is \( m \), then the translation is

\[ m \div 5, \quad m/5, \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{m}{5}. \]

EXAMPLE 12 Translate each phrase to an algebraic expression.

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<td>Five more than three times some number</td>
<td>( 3p + 5 ), or ( 5 + 3p )</td>
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<td>The difference of two numbers</td>
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<td>Six less than the product of two numbers</td>
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<td>Seventy-six percent of some number</td>
<td>( 0.76z ), or ( 76%z )</td>
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<td>Four less than twice some number</td>
<td>( 2x - 4 )</td>
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Do Exercises 9–17.
Substitute to find values of the expressions in each of the following applied problems.

1. **Commuting Time.** It takes Erin 24 min less time to commute to work than it does George. Suppose that the variable \( x \) stands for the time it takes George to get to work. Then \( x - 24 \) stands for the time it takes Erin to get to work. How long does it take Erin to get to work if it takes George 56 min? 93 min? 105 min?

2. **Enrollment Costs.** At Emmett Community College, it costs $600 to enroll in the 8 A.M. section of Elementary Algebra. Suppose that the variable \( n \) stands for the number of students who enroll. Then \( 600n \) stands for the total amount of money collected for this course. How much is collected if 34 students enroll? 78 students? 250 students?

3. **Area of a Triangle.** The area \( A \) of a triangle with base \( b \) and height \( h \) is given by \( A = \frac{1}{2}bh \). Find the area when \( b = 45 \text{ m} \) (meters) and \( h = 86 \text{ m} \).

4. **Area of a Parallelogram.** The area \( A \) of a parallelogram with base \( b \) and height \( h \) is given by \( A = bh \). Find the area of the parallelogram when the height is 15.4 cm (centimeters) and the base is 6.5 cm.

5. **Distance Traveled.** A driver who drives at a constant speed of \( r \text{ mph} \) for \( t \text{ hr} \) will travel a distance \( d \text{ mi} \) given by \( d = rt \text{ mi} \). How far will a driver travel at a speed of 65 mph for 4 hr?

6. **Simple Interest.** The simple interest \( I \) on a principal of \( P \) dollars at interest rate \( r \) for time \( t \), in years, is given by \( I = Prt \). Find the simple interest on a principal of $4800 at 9% for 2 yr. (Hint: 9% = 0.09.)

7. **Hockey Goal.** The front of a regulation hockey goal is a rectangle that is 6 ft wide and 4 ft high. Find its area. **Source:** National Hockey League

8. **Zoology.** A great white shark has triangular teeth. Each tooth measures about 5 cm across the base and has a height of 6 cm. Find the surface area of one side of one tooth. (See Exercise 3.)
Evaluate.

9. $8x$, when $x = 7$

10. $6y$, when $y = 7$

11. $\frac{c}{d}$, when $c = 24$ and $d = 3$

12. $\frac{p}{q}$, when $p = 16$ and $q = 2$

13. $\frac{3p}{q}$, when $p = 2$ and $q = 6$

14. $\frac{5y}{z}$, when $y = 15$ and $z = 25$

15. $\frac{x + y}{5}$, when $x = 10$ and $y = 20$

16. $\frac{p + q}{2}$, when $p = 2$ and $q = 16$

17. $\frac{x - y}{8}$, when $x = 20$ and $y = 4$

18. $\frac{m - n}{5}$, when $m = 16$ and $n = 6$

Translate each phrase to an algebraic expression. Use any letter for the variable unless directed otherwise.

19. Seven more than some number

20. Nine more than some number

21. Twelve less than some number

22. Fourteen less than some number

23. Some number increased by four

24. Some number increased by thirteen

25. $b$ more than $a$

26. $c$ more than $d$

27. $x$ divided by $y$

28. $c$ divided by $h$

29. $x$ plus $w$

30. $s$ added to $t$

31. $m$ subtracted from $n$

32. $p$ subtracted from $q$

33. The sum of two numbers

34. The sum of nine and some number

35. Twice some number

36. Three times some number

37. Three multiplied by some number

38. The product of eight and some number
39. Six more than four times some number
40. Two more than six times some number

41. Eight less than the product of two numbers
42. The product of two numbers minus seven

43. Five less than twice some number
44. Six less than seven times some number

45. Three times some number plus eleven
46. Some number times 8 plus 5

47. The sum of four times a number plus three times another number
48. Five times a number minus eight times another number

49. The product of 89% and your salary
50. 67% of the women attending

51. Your salary after a 5% salary increase if your salary before the increase was $s$
52. The price of a blouse after a 30% reduction if the price before the reduction was $P$

53. Danielle drove at a speed of 65 mph for $t$ hours. How far did Danielle travel?
54. Juan has $d$ dollars before spending $29.95 on a DVD of the movie Chicago. How much did Juan have after the purchase?

55. Lisa had $50 before spending $x dollars on pizza. How much money remains?
56. Dino drove his pickup truck at 55 mph for $t$ hours. How far did he travel?

To the student and the instructor: The Discussion and Writing exercises are meant to be answered with one or more sentences. They can be discussed and answered collaboratively by the entire class or by small groups. Because of their open-ended nature, the answers to these exercises do not appear at the back of the book. They are denoted by the symbol $\text{DW}$.

57. $\text{DW}$ If the length of a rectangle is doubled, does the area double? Why or why not?
58. $\text{DW}$ If the height and the base of a triangle are doubled, what happens to the area? Explain.

SYNTHESIS

To the student and the instructor: The Synthesis exercises found at the end of most exercise sets challenge students to combine concepts or skills studied in that section or in preceding parts of the text.

Evaluate.

59. $\frac{a - 2b + c}{4b - a}$, when $a = 20$, $b = 10$, and $c = 5$
60. $\frac{x}{y} - \frac{5}{x} + \frac{2}{y}$, when $x = 30$ and $y = 6$

61. $\frac{12 - c}{c + 12b}$, when $b = 1$ and $c = 12$
62. $\frac{2w - 3z}{7y}$, when $w = 5$, $y = 6$, and $z = 1$
A set is a collection of objects. For our purposes, we will most often be considering sets of numbers. One way to name a set uses what is called roster notation. For example, roster notation for the set containing the numbers 0, 2, and 5 is \( \{0, 2, 5\} \).

Sets that are part of other sets are called subsets. In this section, we become acquainted with the set of real numbers and its various subsets.

Two important subsets of the real numbers are listed below using roster notation.

**NATURAL NUMBERS**

The set of natural numbers \( \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\} \). These are the numbers used for counting.

**WHOLE NUMBERS**

The set of whole numbers \( \{0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots\} \). This is the set of natural numbers with 0 included.

We can represent these sets on a number line. The natural numbers are those to the right of zero. The whole numbers are the natural numbers and zero.

We create a new set, called the integers, by starting with the whole numbers, 0, 1, 2, 3, and so on. For each natural number 1, 2, 3, and so on, we obtain a new number to the left of zero on the number line:

For the number 1, there will be an opposite number \(-1\) (negative 1).

For the number 2, there will be an opposite number \(-2\) (negative 2).

For the number 3, there will be an opposite number \(-3\) (negative 3), and so on.

The integers consist of the whole numbers and these new numbers.
We picture the integers on a number line as follows.

We call these new numbers to the left of 0 negative integers. The natural numbers are also called positive integers. Zero is neither positive nor negative. We call −1 and 1 opposites of each other. Similarly, −2 and 2 are opposites, −3 and 3 are opposites, −100 and 100 are opposites, and 0 is its own opposite. Pairs of opposite numbers like −3 and 3 are the same distance from 0. The integers extend infinitely on the number line to the left and right of zero.

## Integers and the Real World

Integers correspond to many real-world problems and situations. The following examples will help you get ready to translate problem situations that involve integers to mathematical language.

### Example 1
Tell which integer corresponds to this situation: The temperature is 4 degrees below zero.

The integer −4 corresponds to the situation. The temperature is −4°.

### Example 2
“Jeopardy.” Tell which integer corresponds to this situation: A contestant missed a $600 question on the television game show “Jeopardy.”

Missing a $600 question causes a $600 loss on the score—that is, the contestant earns −600 dollars.
State the integers that correspond to the given situation.

1. The halfback gained 8 yd on the first down. The quarterback was sacked for a 5-yd loss on the second down.

EXAMPLE 3 Elevation. Tell which integer corresponds to this situation: The shores of California’s largest lake, the Salton Sea, are 227 ft below sea level. 

The integer \(-227\) corresponds to the situation. The elevation is \(-227\) ft.

EXAMPLE 4 Stock Price Change. Tell which integers correspond to this situation: The price of Pearson Education stock decreased from $27 per share to $11 per share over a recent time period. The price of Safeway stock increased from $20 per share to $22 per share over a recent time period. 
Source: The New York Stock Exchange

The integer \(-16\) corresponds to the decrease in the stock value. The integer 2 represents the increase in stock value.

Do Exercises 1–5.

3. Stock Decrease. The price of Wendy’s stock decreased from $41 per share to $38 per share over a recent time period. 
Source: The New York Stock Exchange

4. At 10 sec before liftoff, ignition occurs. At 156 sec after liftoff, the first stage is detached from the rocket.

5. A submarine dove 120 ft, rose 50 ft, and then dove 80 ft.

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The Rational Numbers

We created the set of integers by obtaining a negative number for each natural number and also including 0. To create a larger number system, called the set of rational numbers, we consider quotients of integers with nonzero divisors. The following are some examples of rational numbers:

\[
\frac{2}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{7}{1}, 4, -3, 0, \frac{23}{-8}, 2.4, -0.17, \frac{10}{2}.
\]

The number \(-\frac{2}{3}\) (read “negative two-thirds”) can also be named \(-\frac{2}{3}\) or \(-\frac{2}{3}\); that is,

\[\frac{a}{b} = \frac{-a}{-b} = \frac{a}{-b}\]

The number 2.4 can be named \(\frac{12}{5}\) or \(\frac{12}{5}\), and \(-0.17\) can be named \(-\frac{17}{100}\). We can describe the set of rational numbers as follows.

**RATIONAL NUMBERS**

The set of rational numbers = the set of numbers \(\frac{a}{b}\), where \(a\) and \(b\) are integers and \(b\) is not equal to 0 \((b \neq 0)\).
Note that this new set of numbers, the rational numbers, contains the whole numbers, the integers, the arithmetic numbers (also called the non-negative rational numbers), and the negative rational numbers.

We picture the rational numbers on a number line as follows.

To graph a number means to find and mark its point on the number line. Some rational numbers are graphed in the preceding figure.

**EXAMPLE 5** Graph: \(\frac{3}{2}\).

The number \(\frac{3}{2}\) can be named 2.5, or 0.5. Its graph is halfway between 2 and 3.

**EXAMPLE 6** Graph: \(-3.2\).

The graph of \(-3.2\) is \(\frac{2}{10}\) of the way from \(-3\) to \(-4\).

**EXAMPLE 7** Graph: \(\frac{13}{8}\).

The number \(\frac{13}{8}\) can be named 1.625, or 1.625. The graph is \(\frac{5}{8}\) of the way from 1 to 2.

Do Exercises 6–8.

**C** Notation for Rational Numbers

Each rational number can be named using fraction or decimal notation.

**EXAMPLE 8** Convert to decimal notation: \(-\frac{5}{8}\).

We first find decimal notation for \(\frac{5}{8}\). Since \(\frac{5}{8}\) means 5 ÷ 8, we divide.

\[
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
& 0 & . & 6 & 2 & 5 \\
\hline
8 & 5 & . & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- 8 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- 8 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- 8 & 1 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- 8 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
\hline
& 0 & . & 6 & 2 & 5 \\
\end{array}
\]

Thus, \(\frac{3}{8} = 0.625\), so \(-\frac{5}{8} = -0.625\).
Convert to decimal notation.

9. \( \frac{3}{8} \)

10. \( \frac{6}{11} \)

11. \( \frac{4}{3} \)

Answers on page A-1

**Decimal notation for is We consider to be a terminating decimal.** Decimal notation for some numbers repeats.

**EXAMPLE 9** Convert to decimal notation: 7 divided by 11.

\[
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
\text{Dividing} \\
1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
6 & 6 & 3 & 3 & 0 \\
--- & 7 & 0 & 6 & 6 \\
3 & 3 & 0 & 7
\end{array}
\]

We can abbreviate repeating decimal notation by writing a bar over the repeating part—in this case, 0.63. Thus, 7/11 = 0.63.

Each rational number can be expressed in either terminating or repeating decimal notation.

The following are other examples to show how each rational number can be named using fraction or decimal notation:

- 0 = 0.8
- 27/100 = 0.27
- 3/4 = -8.75
- 13/6 = -2.1\(\overline{6}\)

Do Exercises 9–11.

**d** The Real Numbers and Order

Every rational number has a point on the number line. However, there are some points on the line for which there is no rational number. These points correspond to what are called **irrational numbers.**

What kinds of numbers are irrational? One example is the number \( \pi \), which is used in finding the area and the circumference of a circle: \( A = \pi r^2 \) and \( C = 2\pi r \).

Another example of an irrational number is the square root of 2, named \( \sqrt{2} \). It is the length of the diagonal of a square with sides of length 1. It is also the number that when multiplied by itself gives 2—that is, \( \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} = 2 \). There is no rational number that can be multiplied by itself to get 2. But the following are rational approximations:

1.4 is an approximation of \( \sqrt{2} \) because \( (1.4)^2 = 1.96 \);
1.41 is a better approximation because \( (1.41)^2 = 1.9881 \);
1.4142 is an even better approximation because \( (1.4142)^2 = 1.99996164 \).

We can find rational approximations for square roots using a calculator.
Decimal notation for rational numbers *either* terminates *or* repeats. Decimal notation for irrational numbers *neither* terminates *nor* repeats.

Some other examples of irrational numbers are $\sqrt{3}$, $-\sqrt{6}$, $\sqrt{11}$, and 0.1212212212221… Whenever we take the square root of a number that is not a perfect square, we will get an irrational number.

The rational numbers and the irrational numbers together correspond to all the points on a number line and make up what is called the **real-number system**.

![Real Numbers Diagram]

**REAL NUMBERS**

The set of **real numbers** is the set of all numbers corresponding to points on the number line.

The real numbers consist of the rational numbers and the irrational numbers. The following figure shows the relationships among various kinds of numbers.

**ORDER**

Real numbers are named in order on the number line, with larger numbers named farther to the right. For any two numbers on the line, the one to the left is less than the one to the right.

We use the symbol $<$ to mean "is less than." The sentence $-8 < 6$ means "$-8$ is less than $6$." The symbol $>$ means "is greater than." The sentence $-3 > -7$ means "$-3$ is greater than $-7$." The sentences $-8 < 6$ and $-3 > -7$ are **inequalities**.

-15. \( 3.1 \quad \square \quad -9.5 \)
-16. \( \frac{2}{3} \quad \square \quad -1 \)

Answers on page A-1
EXAMPLES  Use either < or > for to write a true sentence.

10. $2 \underline{\text{<}} 9$ Since 2 is to the left of 9, 2 is less than 9, so $2 < 9$.

11. $-7 \underline{\text{<}} 3$ Since $-7$ is to the left of 3, we have $-7 < 3$.

12. $6 \underline{\text{>}} -12$ Since 6 is to the right of $-12$, then $6 > -12$.

13. $-18 \underline{\text{<}} -5$ Since $-18$ is to the left of $-5$, we have $-18 < -5$.

14. $-2.7 \underline{\text{<}} -\frac{3}{2}$ The answer is $-2.7 < -\frac{3}{2}$.

15. $1.5 \underline{\text{>}} -2.7$ The answer is $1.5 > -2.7$.

16. $1.38 \underline{\text{<}} 1.83$ The answer is $1.38 < 1.83$.

17. $-3.45 \underline{\text{<}} 1.32$ The answer is $-3.45 < 1.32$.

18. $-4 \underline{\text{<}} 0$ The answer is $-4 < 0$.

19. $5.8 \underline{\text{>}} 0$ The answer is $5.8 > 0$.

20. $\frac{5}{8} \underline{\text{<}} \frac{7}{11}$ We convert to decimal notation: $\frac{5}{8} = 0.625$ and $\frac{7}{11} = 0.6363...$. Thus, $\frac{5}{8} < \frac{7}{11}$.

21. $-\frac{1}{2} \underline{\text{<}} -\frac{1}{5}$ The answer is $-\frac{1}{2} < -\frac{1}{5}$.

22. $-2\frac{3}{5} \underline{\text{>}} -\frac{11}{5}$ The answer is $-2\frac{3}{5} > -\frac{11}{5}$.

Do Exercises 12–19 on the preceding page.

Note that both $-8 < 6$ and $6 > -8$ are true. Every true inequality yields another true inequality when we interchange the numbers or variables and reverse the direction of the inequality sign.

ORDER; >, <

$a < b$ also has the meaning $b > a$.

EXAMPLES  Write another inequality with the same meaning.

23. $-3 > -8$ The inequality $-8 < -3$ has the same meaning.

24. $a < -5$ The inequality $-5 > a$ has the same meaning.

A helpful mental device is to think of an inequality sign as an “arrow” with the arrow pointing to the smaller number.

Do Exercises 20 and 21.

Answers on page A-1
Note that all positive real numbers are greater than zero and all negative real numbers are less than zero.

If \( b \) is a positive real number, then \( b > 0 \).
If \( a \) is a negative real number, then \( a < 0 \).

Expressions like \( a \leq b \) and \( b \geq a \) are also inequalities. We read \( a \leq b \) as “\( a \) is less than or equal to \( b \).” We read \( a \geq b \) as “\( a \) is greater than or equal to \( b \).”

**EXAMPLES**

Write true or false for the statement.

25. \( -3 \leq 5.4 \) True since \(-3 < 5.4\) is true
26. \( -3 \leq -3 \) True since \(-3 = -3\) is true
27. \( -5 \geq 1 \frac{1}{2} \) False since neither \(-5 > 1 \frac{1}{2}\) nor \(-5 = 1 \frac{1}{2}\) is true

Do Exercises 22–24 on the preceding page.

### Absolute Value

From the number line, we see that numbers like 4 and \(-4\) are the same distance from zero. Distance is always a nonnegative number. We call the distance of a number from zero on a number line the **absolute value** of the number.

The distance of 
\(-4\) from 0 is 4.
The absolute value of \(-4\) is 4.

The distance of
4 from 0 is 4.
The absolute value of 4 is 4.

**ABSOLUTE VALUE**

The **absolute value** of a number is its distance from zero on a number line. We use the symbol |\(x\)| to represent the absolute value of a number \(x\).

### Absolute Value

The absolute-value operation is the first item in the Catalog on the TI-84 Plus graphing calculator. To find \(|-7|\), as in Example 28, we first press \( \text{2ND}\ \text{CATALOG}\ \text{ENTER} \) to copy “abs(“ to the home screen. (**CATALOG** is the second operation associated with the \( \text{0}\) numeric key.) Then we press \( \text{1}\ \text{7}\ \text{ENTER} \). The result is 7. To find \(|-\frac{1}{2}|\) and express the result as a fraction, we press \( \text{2ND}\ \text{CATALOG}\ \text{ENTER} \). The result is \(\frac{1}{2}\).

**Exercises:** Find the absolute value.
1. \(|-5|\)
2. \(|7|\)
3. |0|
4. \(|6.48|\)
5. \(|-12.7|\)
6. |0.9|
7. \(|-\frac{5}{7}|\)
8. \(\frac{4}{3}\)
Find the absolute value.

25. $|8|$  
26. $|-9|$  

27. $|\frac{2}{3}|$  
28. $|\sqrt{5.6}|$  

**EXAMPLES** Find the absolute value.

28. $|-7|$  
The distance of $-7$ from 0 is 7, so $|-7| = 7$.  
29. $|12|$  
The distance of 12 from 0 is 12, so $|12| = 12$.  
30. $|0|$  
The distance of 0 from 0 is 0, so $|0| = 0$.  
31. $|\frac{3}{2}| = \frac{3}{2}$  
32. $|-2.73| = 2.73$


**Study Tips**

**USING THIS TEXTBOOK**

- Be sure to note the special symbols $a$, $b$, $c$, and so on, that correspond to the objectives you are to be able to perform. The first time you see them is in the margin at the beginning of each section; the second time is in the subheadings of each section; and the third time is in the exercise set for the section. You will also find them next to the skill maintenance exercises in each exercise set and in the review exercises at the end of the chapter, as well as in the answers to the chapter tests and the cumulative reviews. These objective symbols allow you to refer to the appropriate place in the text whenever you need to review a topic.

- Read and study each step of each example. The examples include important side comments that explain each step. These carefully chosen examples and notes prepare you for success in the exercise set.

- Stop and do the margin exercises as you study a section. Doing the margin exercises is one of the most effective ways to enhance your ability to learn mathematics from this text. Don’t deprive yourself of its benefits!

- Note the icons listed at the top of each exercise set. These refer to the many distinctive multimedia study aids that accompany the book.

- Odd-numbered exercises. Usually an instructor assigns some odd-numbered exercises. When you complete these, you can check your answers at the back of the book. If you miss any, check your work in the Student’s Solutions Manual or ask your instructor for guidance.

- Even-numbered exercises. Whether or not your instructor assigns the even-numbered exercises, always do some on your own. Remember, there are no answers given for the class tests, so you need to practice doing exercises without answers. Check your answers later with a friend or your instructor.
a. State the integers that correspond to the situation.

1. **Pollution Fine.** In 2003, The Colonial Pipeline Company was fined a record $34 million for pollution.
   
Source: greenconsumerguide.com

2. **Lake Powell.** The water level of Lake Powell, a desert reservoir behind Glen Canyon Dam in northern Arizona and southeastern Utah, has dropped 130 ft since 2000.

3. On Wednesday, the temperature was 24° above zero. On Thursday, it was 2° below zero.

4. A student deposited her tax refund of $750 in a savings account. Two weeks later, she withdrew $125 to pay sorority fees.

5. **Temperature Extremes.** The highest temperature ever created on Earth was 950,000,000°F. The lowest temperature ever created was approximately 460°F below zero.
   
Source: Guinness Book of World Records

6. **Extreme Climate.** Verkhoyansk, a river port in northeast Siberia, has the most extreme climate on the planet. Its average monthly winter temperature is 58.5°F below zero, and its average monthly summer temperature is 56.5°F.
   
Source: Guinness Book of World Records

7. In bowling, the Alley Cats are 34 pins behind the Strikers going into the last frame. Describe the situation of each team.

b. Graph the number on the number line.

9. \( \frac{10}{3} \)

10. \( \frac{17}{4} \)

11. \(-5.2\)

12. \(4.78\)

13. \(-4\frac{2}{5}\)

14. \(2\frac{6}{11}\)
C Convert to decimal notation.

15. \(\frac{7}{8}\)  
16. \(\frac{3}{16}\)  
17. \(\frac{5}{6}\)  
18. \(\frac{5}{3}\)  
19. \(\frac{7}{6}\)

20. \(\frac{5}{12}\)  
21. \(\frac{2}{3}\)  
22. \(\frac{11}{9}\)  
23. \(\frac{1}{10}\)  
24. \(\frac{1}{4}\)

25. \(-\frac{1}{2}\)  
26. \(\frac{9}{8}\)  
27. \(\frac{4}{25}\)  
28. \(-\frac{7}{20}\)

d Use either < or > for □ to write a true sentence.

29. 8 □ 0  
30. 3 □ 0  
31. −8 □ 3  
32. 6 □ −6

33. −8 □ 8  
34. 0 □ −9  
35. −8 □ −5  
36. −4 □ −3

37. −5 □ −11  
38. −3 □ −4  
39. −6 □ −5  
40. −10 □ −14

41. 2.14 □ 1.24  
42. −3.3 □ −2.2  
43. −14.5 □ 0.011  
44. 17.2 □ −1.67

45. −12.88 □ −6.45  
46. −14.34 □ −17.88  
47. −\(\frac{1}{2}\) □ −\(\frac{2}{3}\)  
48. −\(\frac{5}{4}\) □ −\(\frac{3}{4}\)

49. −\(\frac{2}{3}\) □ −\(\frac{1}{3}\)  
50. \(\frac{3}{4}\) □ −\(\frac{5}{4}\)  
51. \(\frac{5}{12}\) □ \(\frac{11}{25}\)  
52. −\(\frac{13}{16}\) □ −\(\frac{5}{9}\)
Write true or false.

53. $-3 \geq -11$  
54. $5 \leq -5$  
55. $0 \geq 8$  
56. $-5 \leq 7$

Write an inequality with the same meaning.

57. $-6 > x$  
58. $x < 8$  
59. $-10 \leq y$  
60. $12 \geq t$

Find the absolute value.

61. $|-3|$  
62. $|-7|$  
63. $|10|$  
64. $|11|$  
65. $|0|

66. $|-2.7|$  
67. $|-30.4|$  
68. $|325|$  
69. $\left| -\frac{2}{3} \right|$  
70. $\left| \frac{10}{7} \right|

71. $\left| \frac{0}{4} \right|$  
72. $|14.8|$  
73. $\left| -\frac{5}{8} \right|$  
74. $\left| -\frac{4}{5} \right|

75. $\frac{5c}{d}$ for $c = 15$ and $d = 25$

76. How many rational numbers are there between 0 and 1? Why?

77. $\frac{2x + y}{3}$, for $x = 12$ and $y = 9$

78. $\frac{w}{4v}$ for $w = 52$ and $y = 13$

SKILL MAINTENANCE

This heading indicates that the exercises that follow are Skill Maintenance exercises, which review any skill previously studied in the text. You can expect such exercises in every exercise set. Answers to all skill maintenance exercises are found at the back of the book. If you miss an exercise, restudy the objective shown in red.

Evaluate.  \([1.1a]\)

79. $\frac{q - r}{8}$, for $q = 30$ and $r = 6$

80. $\frac{w}{4v}$ for $w = 52$ and $y = 13$

SYNTHESIS

List in order from the least to the greatest.

81. $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{3}{8}$  
82. $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{9}{8}$

83. $-5.16, -4.24, -8.76, 5.23, 1.85, -2.13$

84. $-8 \frac{7}{8}, 7, -5, -6, 4, 3, -\frac{5}{8}, -100, 0, 1, \frac{14}{4}, -\frac{67}{8}$

Given that $0.\overline{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ and $0.\overline{5} = \frac{5}{9}$, express each of the following as a quotient or ratio of two integers.

85. $0.\overline{1}$  
86. $0.\overline{5}$  
87. $5.\overline{3}$
Objectives

a. Add real numbers without using a number line.
b. Find the opposite, or additive inverse, of a real number.
c. Solve applied problems involving addition of real numbers.

Add using a number line.

1. \(0 + (-3)\)

2. \(1 + (-4)\)

3. \(-3 + (-2)\)

4. \(-3 + 7\)

5. \(-2.4 + 2.4\)

6. \(-\frac{5}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\)

Answers on page A-2

In this section, we consider addition of real numbers. First, to gain an understanding, we add using a number line. Then we consider rules for addition.

**ADDITON ON A NUMBER LINE**

To do the addition \(a + b\) on a number line, we start at 0. Then we move to \(a\) and then move according to \(b\).

- **a)** If \(b\) is positive, we move from \(a\) to the right.
- **b)** If \(b\) is negative, we move from \(a\) to the left.
- **c)** If \(b\) is 0, we stay at \(a\).

**EXAMPLE 1** Add: \(3 + (-5)\).

We start at 0 and move to 3. Then we move 5 units left since \(-5\) is negative.

\[3 + (-5) = -2\]

**EXAMPLE 2** Add: \(-4 + (-3)\).

We start at 0 and move to \(-4\). Then we move 3 units left since \(-3\) is negative.

\[\ -4 + \ (-3) = -7\]

**EXAMPLE 3** Add: \(-4 + 9\).

\[-4 + 9 = 5\]
EXAMPLE 4 Add: \(-5.2 + 0\).

\[ \text{Stay at } -5.2. \]

\[-5.2 + 0 = -5.2 \]

Do Exercises 1–6 on the preceding page.

Adding Without a Number Line

You may have noticed some patterns in the preceding examples. These lead us to rules for adding without using a number line that are more efficient for adding larger numbers.

RULES FOR ADDITION OF REAL NUMBERS

1. **Positive numbers**: Add the same as arithmetic numbers. The answer is positive.
2. **Negative numbers**: Add absolute values. The answer is negative.
3. **A positive and a negative number**: Subtract the smaller absolute value from the larger. Then:
   - a) If the positive number has the greater absolute value, the answer is positive.
   - b) If the negative number has the greater absolute value, the answer is negative.
   - c) If the numbers have the same absolute value, the answer is 0.
4. **One number is zero**: The sum is the other number.

Rule 4 is known as the **identity property of 0**. It says that for any real number \(a\), \(a + 0 = a\).

EXAMPLES Add without using a number line.

5. \(-12 + (-7) = -19\)
   
   Two negatives. Add the absolute values: \(|-12| + | -7 | = 12 + 7 = 19\). Make the answer negative: \(-19\).

6. \(-1.4 + 8.5 = 7.1\)
   
   One negative, one positive. Find the absolute values: \(|-1.4| = 1.4; 8.5| = 8.5\). Subtract the smaller absolute value from the larger:
   
   \[ 8.5 - 1.4 = 7.1 \]
   
   The **positive** number, 8.5, has the larger absolute value, so the answer is **positive**: 7.1.

7. \(-36 + 21 = -15\)
   
   One negative, one positive. Find the absolute values: \(|-36| = 36, |21| = 21\). Subtract the smaller absolute value from the larger:
   
   \[ 36 - 21 = 15 \]
   
   The **negative** number, -36, has the larger absolute value, so the answer is **negative**: \(-15\).
Opposites, or Additive Inverses

Suppose we add two numbers that are opposites, such as 6 and -6. The result is 0. When opposites are added, the result is always 0. Such numbers are also called additive inverses. Every real number has an opposite, or additive inverse.

Two numbers whose sum is 0 are called opposites, or additive inverses, of each other.

**Answers on page A-2**

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EXAMPLES Find the opposite, or additive inverse, of each number.

14. 34 The opposite of 34 is $-34$ because $34 + (-34) = 0$.
15. $-8$ The opposite of $-8$ is 8 because $-8 + 8 = 0$.
16. 0 The opposite of 0 is 0 because $0 + 0 = 0$.
17. $-\frac{7}{8}$ The opposite of $-\frac{7}{8}$ is $\frac{7}{8}$ because $-\frac{7}{8} + \frac{7}{8} = 0$.

Do Exercises 25–30 on the preceding page.

To name the opposite, we use the symbol $-$, as follows.

**SYMBOLIZING OPPOSITES**

The opposite, or additive inverse, of a number $a$ can be named $-a$ (read “the opposite of $a$,” or “the additive inverse of $a$”).

Note that if we take a number, say, 8, and find its opposite, $-8$, and then find the opposite of the result, we will have the original number, 8, again.

**THE OPPOSITE OF AN OPPOSITE**

The **opposite of the opposite** of a number is the number itself. (The additive inverse of the additive inverse of a number is the number itself.) That is, for any number $a$,

$$-(-a) = a.$$

**EXAMPLE 18** Evaluate $-x$ and $-(-x)$ when $x = 16$.

If $x = 16$, then $-x = -16$. The opposite of 16 is $-16$.
If $x = 16$, then $-(-x) = -(-16) = 16$. The opposite of the opposite of 16 is 16.

**EXAMPLE 19** Evaluate $-x$ and $-(-x)$ when $x = -3$.

If $x = -3$, then $-x = -( -3) = 3$.
If $x = -3$, then $-(-x) = -(-(-3)) = -(3) = -3$.

Note that in Example 19 we used a second set of parentheses to show that we are substituting the negative number $-3$ for $x$. Symbolism like $-x$ is not considered meaningful.

Do Exercises 31–36.

A symbol such as $-8$ is usually read “negative 8.” It could be read “the additive inverse of 8,” because the additive inverse of 8 is negative 8. It could also be read “the opposite of 8,” because the opposite of 8 is $-8$. Thus a symbol like $-8$ can be read in more than one way. It is never correct to read $-8$ as “minus 8.”

**Caution!**

A symbol like $-x$, which has a variable, should be read “the opposite of $x$” or “the additive inverse of $x$” and not “negative $x$,” because we do not know whether $x$ represents a positive number, a negative number, or 0. You can check this in Examples 18 and 19.

Evaluate $-x$ and $-(-x)$ when:

31. $x = 14$.
32. $x = 1$.
33. $x = -19$.
34. $x = -1.6$.
35. $x = \frac{2}{3}$.
36. $x = \frac{-9}{8}$.

Answers on page A-2
We can use the symbolism $-a$ to restate the definition of opposite, or additive inverse.

**THE SUM OF OPPOSITES**

For any real number $a$, the **opposite**, or **additive inverse**, of $a$, expressed as $-a$, is such that

$$a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0.$$  

**SIGNS OF NUMBERS**

A negative number is sometimes said to have a “negative sign.” A positive number is said to have a “positive sign.” When we replace a number with its opposite, we can say that we have “changed its sign.”

**EXAMPLES**  Find the opposite. (Change the sign.)

20. $-3$  
21. $-\frac{2}{13}$  
22. $0$  
23. $14$

Do Exercises 37–40.

**Applications and Problem Solving**

Addition of real numbers occurs in many real-world situations.

**EXAMPLE 24  Lake Level.**  In the course of one four-month period, the water level of Lake Champlain went down 2 ft, up 1 ft, down 5 ft, and up 3 ft. How much had the lake level changed at the end of the four months?

We let $T$ = the total change in the level of the lake. Then the problem translates to a sum:

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Adding from left to right, we have

$$T = -2 + 1 + (-5) + 3 = -1 + (-5) + 3 = -6 + 3 = -3.$$  

The lake level has dropped 3 ft at the end of the four-month period.

Do Exercise 41.
Add. Do not use a number line except as a check.

1. 2 + (-9)   2. -5 + 2   3. -11 + 5   4. 4 + (-3)   5. -6 + 6

6. 8 + (-8)   7. -3 + (-5)   8. -4 + (-6)   9. -7 + 0   10. -13 + 0

11. 0 + (-27)   12. 0 + (-35)   13. 17 + (-17)   14. -15 + 15   15. -17 + (-25)


21. 8 + (-5)   22. -7 + 8   23. -4 + (-5)   24. 10 + (-12)   25. 13 + (-6)

26. -3 + 14   27. -25 + 25   28. 50 + (-50)   29. 53 + (-18)   30. 75 + (-45)

31. -8.5 + 4.7   32. -4.6 + 1.9   33. -2.8 + (-5.3)   34. -7.9 + (-6.5)   35. -3/5 + 2/5

36. 4/3 + 2/3   37. -2/9 + (-5/9)   38. -4/7 + (-6/7)   39. 5/8 + 1/4   40. -5/6 + 2/3

41. -5/8 + (-1/6)   42. -5/6 + (-2/9)   43. -3/8 + 5/12   44. -7/16 + 7/8

45. -1/6 + 7/10   46. -11/18 + (-3/4)   47. 7/15 + (-1/9)   48. -4/21 + 3/14
49. \(76 + (-15) + (-18) + (-6)\)

50. \(29 + (-45) + 18 + 32 + (-96)\)

51. \(-44 + \left(\frac{-3}{8}\right) + 95 + \left(\frac{-5}{8}\right)\)

52. \(24 + 3.1 + (-44) + (-8.2) + 63\)

53. \(98 + (-54) + 113 + (-998) + 44 + (-612)\)

54. \(-458 + (-124) + 1025 + (-917) + 218\)

b Find the opposite, or additive inverse.

55. \(24\)

56. \(-64\)

57. \(-26.9\)

58. \(48.2\)

Evaluate \(-x\) when:

59. \(x = 8\)

60. \(x = -27\)

61. \(x = \frac{-13}{8}\)

62. \(x = \frac{1}{236}\)

Evaluate \(-(x)\) when:

63. \(x = -43\)

64. \(x = 39\)

65. \(x = \frac{4}{3}\)

66. \(x = -7.1\)

Find the opposite. (Change the sign.)

67. \(-24\)

68. \(-12.3\)

69. \(-\frac{3}{8}\)

70. \(10\)

c Solve.

71. Tallest Mountain. The tallest mountain in the world, when measured from base to peak, is Mauna Kea (White Mountain) in Hawaii. From its base 19,684 ft below sea level in the Hawaiian Trough, it rises 33,480 ft. What is the elevation of the peak above sea level?

Source: The Guinness Book of Records

72. Telephone Bills. Erika’s cell-phone bill for July was $82. She sent a check for $50 and then made $37 worth of calls in August. How much did she then owe on her cell-phone bill?

73. Temperature Changes. One day the temperature in Lawrence, Kansas, is 32°F at 6:00 A.M. It rises 15° by noon, but falls 50° by midnight when a cold front moves in. What is the final temperature?

74. Stock Changes. On a recent day, the price of a stock opened at a value of $61.38. During the day, it rose $4.75, dropped $7.38, and rose $5.13. Find the value of the stock at the end of the day.
75. **Profits and Losses.** A business expresses a profit as a positive number and refers to it as operating "in the black." A loss is expressed as a negative number and is referred to as operating "in the red." The profits and losses of Xponent Corporation over various years are shown in the bar graph below. Find the sum of the profits and losses.

![Xponent Corporation Profits and Losses](image)

76. **Football Yardage.** In a college football game, the quarterback attempted passes with the following results. Find the total gain or loss.

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77. **Credit Card Bills.** On August 1, Lyle’s credit card bill shows that he owes $470. During the month of August, Lyle sends a check for $45 to the credit card company, charges another $160 in merchandise, and then pays off another $500 of his bill. What is the new balance of Lyle’s account at the end of August?

78. **Account Balance.** Leah has $460 in a checking account. She writes a check for $530, makes a deposit of $75, and then writes a check for $90. What is the balance in her account?

79. **Dw** Without actually performing the addition, explain why the sum of all integers from −50 to 50 is 0.

80. **Dw** Explain in your own words why the sum of two negative numbers is always negative.

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**SKILL MAINTENANCE**

Convert to decimal notation. [1.2c]

81. \( \frac{5}{8} \)  
82. \( \frac{1}{3} \)  
83. \( \frac{1}{12} \)  
84. \( \frac{13}{20} \)

Find the absolute value. [1.2e]

85. \(|2.3|\)  
86. \(|0|\)  
87. \(|-\frac{4}{5}|\)  
88. \(|-21.4|\)

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**SYNTHESIS**

89. For what numbers \( x \) is \(-x\) negative?

For each of Exercises 91 and 92, choose the correct answer from the selections given.

91. If \( a \) is positive and \( b \) is negative, then \(-a + b\) is:
   a) Positive.  
   b) Negative.  
   c) 0.  
   d) Cannot be determined without more information

92. If \( a = b \) and \( a \) and \( b \) are negative, then \(-a + (-b)\) is:
   a) Positive.  
   b) Negative.  
   c) 0.  
   d) Cannot be determined without more information
**Objectives**

- Subtract real numbers and simplify combinations of additions and subtractions.
- Solve applied problems involving subtraction of real numbers.

**1.4 SUBTRACTION OF REAL NUMBERS**

**a Subtraction**

We now consider subtraction of real numbers.

**SUBTRACTION**

The difference \( a - b \) is the number \( c \) for which \( a = b + c \).

Consider, for example, \( 45 - 17 \). **Think**: What number can we add to 17 to get 45? Since \( 45 = 17 + 28 \), we know that \( 45 - 17 = 28 \). Let’s consider an example whose answer is a negative number.

**EXAMPLE 1** Subtract: \( 3 - 7 \).

**Think**: What number can we add to 7 to get 3? The number must be negative. Since \( 7 + (-4) = 3 \), we know the number is \(-4\): \( 3 - 7 = -4 \). That is, \( 3 - 7 = -4 \) because \( 7 + (-4) = 3 \).

Do Exercises 1–3.

The definition above does not provide the most efficient way to do subtraction. We can develop a faster way to subtract. As a rationale for the faster way, let’s compare and on a number line.

To find \( 3 + 7 \) on a number line, we move 3 units to the right from 0 since 3 is positive. Then we move 7 units farther to the right since 7 is positive.

Do Exercises 4–6.

**SUBTRACTING**

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Do Exercises 7–10 on the following page.

Answers on page A-2

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Perhaps you have noticed that we can subtract by adding the opposite of the number being subtracted. This can always be done.

**SUBTRACTING BY ADDING THE OPPOSITE**

For any real numbers \(a\) and \(b\),

\[a - b = a + (-b).\]

(To subtract, add the opposite, or additive inverse, of the number being subtracted.)

This is the method generally used for quick subtraction of real numbers.

**EXAMPLES**  Subtract.

2. \(2 - 6 = 2 + (-6) = -4\)

   The opposite of 6 is \(-6\). We change the subtraction to addition and add the opposite.

   \[\text{Check: } -4 + 6 = 2.\]

3. \(4 - (-9) = 4 + 9 = 13\)

   The opposite of \(-9\) is 9. We change the subtraction to addition and add the opposite.

   \[\text{Check: } 13 + (-9) = 4.\]

4. \(-4.2 - (-3.6) = -4.2 + 3.6 = -0.6\)

   Adding the opposite.

   \[\text{Check: } -0.6 + (-3.6) = -4.2.\]

5. \[-\frac{1}{2} - \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}\]

   \[= \frac{-2}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}\]

*Do Exercises 11–16.*

**EXAMPLES**  Read each of the following. Then subtract by adding the opposite of the number being subtracted.

6. \(3 - 5\)  \(\text{Read “three minus five is three plus the opposite of five”}\)

   \[3 - 5 = 3 + (-5) = -2\]

7. \(\frac{1}{8} - \frac{7}{8}\)  \(\text{Read “one-eighth minus seven-eighths is one-eighth plus the opposite of seven-eighths”}\)

   \[\frac{1}{8} - \frac{7}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \left(-\frac{7}{8}\right) = -\frac{6}{8} \text{, or } -\frac{3}{4}\]

8. \(-4.6 - (-9.8)\)  \(\text{Read “negative four point six minus negative nine point eight is negative four point six plus the opposite of negative nine point eight”}\)

   \[-4.6 - (-9.8) = -4.6 + 9.8 = 5.2\]

9. \(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{7}{5}\)  \(\text{Read “negative three-fourths minus seven-fifths is negative three-fourths plus the opposite of seven-fifths”}\)

   \[-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{7}{5} = -\frac{3}{4} + \left(-\frac{7}{5}\right) = -\frac{15}{20} + \left(-\frac{28}{20}\right) = -\frac{43}{20}\]

*Do Exercises 17–21 on the following page.*

Complete the addition and compare with the subtraction.

7. \(4 - 6 = -2;\)

   \[4 + (-6) = ______\]

8. \(-3 - 8 = -11;\)

   \[-3 + (-8) = ______\]

9. \(-5 - (-9) = 4;\)

   \[-5 + 9 = ______\]

10. \(-5 - (-3) = -2;\)

    \[-5 + 3 = ______\]

**Subtract.**

11. \(2 - 8\)

12. \(-6 - 10\)

13. \(12.4 - 5.3\)

14. \(-8 - (-11)\)

15. \(-8 - (-8)\)

16. \(\frac{2}{3} - \left(-\frac{5}{6}\right)\)

*Answers on page A-2*
When several additions and subtractions occur together, we can make them all additions.

**EXAMPLES** Simplify.

10. \(8 - (-4) - 2 - (-4) + 2 = 8 + 4 + (-2) + 4 + 2\) \(= 16\)

11. \(8.2 - (-6.1) + 2.3 - (-4) = 8.2 + 6.1 + 2.3 + 4 = 20.6\)

12. \[\frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{1}{12}\right) - \frac{5}{6} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{9}{12} + \frac{1}{12} + \left(\frac{-10}{12}\right) + \left(\frac{-8}{12}\right)\]
   \[= \frac{9 + 1 + (-10) + (-8)}{12}\]
   \[= \frac{-8}{12} = \frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3}\]

Do Exercises 22–24.

### Applications and Problem Solving

Let’s now see how we can use subtraction of real numbers to solve applied problems.

**EXAMPLE 13  Surface Temperatures on Mars.** Surface temperatures on Mars vary from \(-128^\circ\)C during polar night to \(27^\circ\)C at the equator during midday at the closest point in orbit to the sun. Find the difference between the highest value and the lowest value in this temperature range.

*Source: Mars Institute*

We let \(D\) = the difference in the temperatures. Then the problem translates to the following subtraction:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Difference in temperature} & \quad \text{is} \quad \text{Highest temperature} \quad \text{minus} \quad \text{Lowest temperature} \\
D & \quad = \quad \downarrow \quad 27 \quad \downarrow \quad - \quad \downarrow \quad (-128) \\
D & \quad = \quad 27 + 128 = 155
\end{align*}
\]

The difference in the temperatures is \(155^\circ\)C.

Do Exercise 25.
Subtract.

1. \(2 - 9\)
2. \(3 - 8\)
3. \(-8 - (-2)\)
4. \(-6 - (-8)\)

5. \(-11 - (-11)\)
6. \(-6 - (-6)\)
7. \(12 - 16\)
8. \(14 - 19\)

9. \(20 - 27\)
10. \(30 - 4\)
11. \(-9 - (-3)\)
12. \(-7 - (-9)\)

13. \(-40 - (-40)\)
14. \(-9 - (-9)\)
15. \(7 - (-7)\)
16. \(4 - (-4)\)

17. \(8 - (-3)\)
18. \(-7 - 4\)
19. \(-6 - 8\)
20. \(6 - (-10)\)

21. \(-4 - (-9)\)
22. \(-14 - 2\)
23. \(-6 - (-5)\)
24. \(-4 - (-3)\)

25. \(8 - (-10)\)
26. \(5 - (-6)\)
27. \(-5 - (-2)\)
28. \(-3 - (-1)\)

29. \(-7 - 14\)
30. \(-9 - 16\)
31. \(0 - (-5)\)
32. \(0 - (-1)\)

33. \(-8 - 0\)
34. \(-9 - 0\)
35. \(7 - (-5)\)
36. \(7 - (-4)\)

37. \(2 - 25\)
38. \(18 - 63\)
39. \(-42 - 26\)
40. \(-18 - 63\)
41. \(-71 - 2\)  
42. \(-49 - 3\)  
43. \(24 - (-92)\)  
44. \(48 - (-73)\)

45. \(-50 - (-50)\)  
46. \(-70 - (-70)\)  
47. \(-\frac{3}{8} - \frac{5}{8}\)  
48. \(\frac{3}{9} - \frac{9}{9}\)

49. \(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{3}\)  
50. \(\frac{5}{6} - \frac{3}{4}\)  
51. \(-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{3}\)  
52. \(\frac{5}{8} - \frac{3}{4}\)

53. \(-\frac{5}{8} - \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)\)  
54. \(-\frac{3}{4} - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)\)  
55. \(6.1 - (-13.8)\)  
56. \(1.5 - (-3.5)\)

57. \(-2.7 - 5.9\)  
58. \(-3.2 - 5.8\)  
59. \(0.99 - 1\)  
60. \(0.87 - 1\)

61. \(-79 - 114\)  
62. \(-197 - 216\)  
63. \(0 - (-500)\)  
64. \(500 - (-1000)\)

65. \(-2.8 - 0\)  
66. \(6.04 - 1.1\)  
67. \(7 - 10.53\)  
68. \(8 - (-9.3)\)

69. \(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{3}\)  
70. \(-\frac{3}{8} - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\)  
71. \(-\frac{4}{7} - \left(-\frac{10}{7}\right)\)  
72. \(\frac{12}{5} - \frac{12}{5}\)

73. \(-\frac{7}{10} - \frac{10}{15}\)  
74. \(-\frac{4}{18} - \left(-\frac{2}{9}\right)\)  
75. \(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{3}\)  
76. \(\frac{1}{7} - \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right)\)

77. \(\frac{5}{12} - \frac{7}{16}\)  
78. \(-\frac{1}{35} - \left(-\frac{9}{40}\right)\)  
79. \(-\frac{2}{15} - \frac{7}{12}\)  
80. \(\frac{2}{21} - \frac{9}{14}\)
Simplify.

81. $18 - (-15) - 3 - (-5) + 2$
82. $22 - (-18) + 7 + (-42) - 27$
83. $-31 + (-28) - (-14) - 17$

84. $-43 - (-19) - (-21) + 25$
85. $-34 - 28 + (-33) - 44$
86. $39 + (-88) - 29 - (-83)$

87. $-93 - (-84) - 41 - (-56)$
88. $84 + (-99) + 44 - (-18) - 43$

89. $-5.4 - (-30.9) + 30.8 + 40.2 - (-12)$
90. $14.9 - (-50.7) + 20 - (-32.8)$

91. $-\frac{7}{12} + \frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) - \frac{13}{24}$
92. $-\frac{11}{16} + \frac{5}{32} - \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{7}{8}$

Solve.

93. **Ocean Depth.** The deepest point in the Pacific Ocean is the Marianas Trench, with a depth of 10,924 m. The deepest point in the Atlantic Ocean is the Puerto Rico Trench, with a depth of 8605 m. What is the difference in the elevation of the two trenches?

   **Source:** The World Almanac and Book of Facts

94. **Elevations in Africa.** The elevation of the highest point in Africa, Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, is 19,340 ft. The lowest elevation, at Lake Assal, Djibouti, is $-512$ ft. What is the difference in the elevations of the two locations?

95. Claire has a charge of $476.89 on her credit card, but she then returns a sweater that cost $128.95. How much does she now owe on her credit card?

96. Chris has $720 in a checking account. He writes a check for $870 to pay for a sound system. What is the balance in his checking account?
97. **Home-Run Differential.** In baseball, the difference between the number of home runs hit by a team’s players and the number allowed by its pitchers is called the *home-run differential*, that is,

\[
\text{Home run differential} = \frac{\text{Number of home runs hit}}{\text{Number of home runs allowed}}.
\]

Teams strive for a positive home-run differential.

a) In a recent year, Atlanta hit 197 home runs and allowed 120. Find its home-run differential.
b) In a recent year, San Francisco hit 153 home runs and allowed 194. Find its home-run differential.

*Source: Major League Baseball*

98. **Temperature Records.** The greatest recorded temperature change in one 24-hour period occurred between January 23 and January 24, 1916, in Browning, Montana, where the temperature fell from 44°F to −56°F. By how much did the temperature drop?

*Source: The Guinness Book of Records, 2004*

99. **Low Points on Continents.** The lowest point in Africa is Lake Assal, which is 512 ft below sea level. The lowest point in South America is the Valdes Peninsula, which is 131 ft below sea level. How much lower is Lake Assal than the Valdes Peninsula?

*Source: National Geographic Society*

100. **Elevation Changes.** The lowest elevation in North America, Death Valley, California, is 282 ft below sea level. The highest elevation in North America, Mount McKinley, Alaska, is 20,320 ft. Find the difference in elevation between the highest point and the lowest.

*Source: National Geographic Society*

101. If a negative number is subtracted from a positive number, will the result always be positive? Why or why not?

102. Write a problem for a classmate to solve. Design the problem so that the solution is “The temperature dropped to −9°C.”

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**SKILL MAINTENANCE**

Translate to an algebraic expression. [1.1b]

103. 7 more than \(y\)
104. 41 less than \(t\)
105. \(h\) subtracted from \(a\)
106. The product of 6 and \(c\)
107. \(r\) more than \(s\)
108. \(x\) less than \(y\)

**SYNTHESIS**

Tell whether the statement is true or false for all integers \(a\) and \(b\). If false, give an example to show why.

109. \(a - 0 = 0 - a\)
110. \(0 - a = a\)
111. If \(a \neq b\), then \(a - b \neq 0\).
112. If \(a = -b\), then \(a + b = 0\).
113. If \(a + b = 0\), then \(a\) and \(b\) are opposites.
114. If \(a - b = 0\), then \(a = -b\).
1.5 Multiplication of Real Numbers

Multiplication of real numbers is very much like multiplication of arithmetic numbers. The only difference is that we must determine whether the answer is positive or negative.

MULTIPLICATION OF A POSITIVE NUMBER AND A NEGATIVE NUMBER
To see how to multiply a positive number and a negative number, consider the pattern of the following.

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According to this pattern, it looks as though the product of a negative number and a positive number is negative. That is the case, and we have the first part of the rule for multiplying numbers.

THE PRODUCT OF A POSITIVE AND A NEGATIVE NUMBER
To multiply a positive number and a negative number, multiply their absolute values. The answer is negative.

EXAMPLES
1. \(8(-5) = -40\)
2. \(-\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{7} = -\frac{5}{21}\)
3. \((-7.2)5 = -36\)

Do Exercises 2–7.

MULTIPLICATION OF TWO NEGATIVE NUMBERS
How do we multiply two negative numbers? Again, we look for a pattern.

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Multiply.
2. \(-3 \cdot 6\)
3. \(20 \cdot (-5)\)
4. \(4 \cdot (-20)\)
5. \(-\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{6}\)
6. \(-4.23(7.1)\)
7. \(\frac{7}{8} - \frac{4}{5}\)

Do Exercises 8–10.

Complete, as in the example.

\[3 \cdot (-10) = -30\]
\[2 \cdot (-10) = -20\]
\[1 \cdot (-10) = -10\]
\[0 \cdot (-10) = 0\]
\[-1 \cdot (-10) = 10\]
\[-2 \cdot (-10) = 20\]
\[-3 \cdot (-10) = 30\]

Answers on page A-2
Do Exercise 8 on the preceding page.

According to the pattern, it appears that the product of two negative numbers is positive. That is actually so, and we have the second part of the rule for multiplying real numbers.

**THE PRODUCT OF TWO NEGATIVE NUMBERS**

To multiply two negative numbers, multiply their absolute values.
The answer is positive.

Do Exercises 9–14.

The following is another way to consider the rules we have for multiplication.

To multiply two nonzero real numbers:

a) Multiply the absolute values.
b) If the signs are the same, the answer is positive.
c) If the signs are different, the answer is negative.

**MULTIPLICATION BY ZERO**

The only case that we have not considered is multiplying by zero. As with other numbers, the product of any real number and 0 is 0.

**THE MULTIPLICATION PROPERTY OF ZERO**

For any real number \( a \),

\[ a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0. \]

(The product of 0 and any real number is 0.)

**EXAMPLES**

Multiply.

4. \((-3)(-4) = 12\)
5. \(-1.6(2) = -3.2\)
6. \(-19 \cdot 0 = 0\)
7. \(\left(-\frac{5}{6}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) = \frac{5}{54}\)
8. \(0 \cdot (-452) = 0\)
9. \(23 \cdot 0 \cdot (\frac{-8}{3}) = 0\)

MULTIPLYING MORE THAN TWO NUMBERS

When multiplying more than two real numbers, we can choose order and grouping as we please.

**EXAMPLES** Multiply.

10. \(-8 \cdot 2(-3) = -16(-3)\) Multiplying the first two numbers
   \[= 48\]

11. \(-8 \cdot 2(-3) = 24 \cdot 2\) Multiplying the negatives. Every pair of negative numbers gives a positive product.
   \[= 48\]

12. \(-3(-2)(-5)(4) = 6(-5)(4)\) Multiplying the first two numbers
   \[= (-30)4\]
   \[= -120\]

13. \(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(8)\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)(-6) = (-4)\frac{4}{3}\) Multiplying the first two numbers and the last two numbers
   \[= 16\]

14. \(-5 \cdot (-2) \cdot (-3) \cdot (-6) = 10 \cdot 18 = 180\)

15. \((-3)(-5)(-2)(-3)(-6) = (-30)(18) = -540\)

Considering that the product of a pair of negative numbers is positive, we see the following pattern.

The product of an even number of negative numbers is positive.

The product of an odd number of negative numbers is negative.


**EXAMPLE 16** Evaluate \(2x^2\) when \(x = 3\) and when \(x = -3\).

\[2x^2 = 2(3)^2 = 2(9) = 18;\]

\[2x^2 = 2(-3)^2 = 2(9) = 18\]

Let’s compare the expressions \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\).

**EXAMPLE 17** Evaluate \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) when \(x = 5\).

\((-x)^2 = (-5)^2 = (-5)(-5) = 25;\) Substitute 5 for \(x\). Then evaluate the power.

\[-x^2 = -(5)^2 = -25\] Substitute 5 for \(x\). Evaluate the power. Then find the opposite.

**EXAMPLE 18** Evaluate \((-a)^2\) and \(-a^2\) when \(a = -4\).

To make sense of the substitutions and computations, we introduce extra brackets into the expressions.

\[(-a)^2 = [(-(-4))2 = [4]^2 = 16;\]

\[-a^2 = -(-4)^2 = -(16) = -16\]

Multiply.

21. \(5 \cdot (-3) \cdot 2\)

22. \(-3 \times (-4.1) \times (-2.5)\)

23. \(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)\)

24. \(-2 \cdot (-5) \cdot (-4) \cdot (-3)\)

25. \((-4)(-5)(-2)(-3)(-1)\)

26. \((-1)(-1)(-2)(-3)(-1)(-1)\)

27. Evaluate \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) when \(x = 2\).

28. Evaluate \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) when \(x = -3\).

29. Evaluate \(3x^2\) when \(x = 4\) and when \(x = -4\).

Answers on page A-2
The expressions \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) are not equivalent. That is, they do not have the same value for every allowable replacement of the variable by a real number. To find \((-x)^2\), we take the opposite and then square. To find \(-x^2\), we find the square and then take the opposite.

Do Exercises 27–29 on the preceding page.

**Applications and Problem Solving**

We now consider multiplication of real numbers in real-world applications.

**EXAMPLE 19 Chemical Reaction.** During a chemical reaction, the temperature in the beaker decreased by 2°C every minute until 10:23 A.M. If the temperature was 17°C at 10:00 A.M., when the reaction began, what was the temperature at 10:23 A.M.?

This is a multistep problem. We first find the total number of degrees that the temperature dropped, using \(-2°\) for each minute. Since it dropped 2° for each of the 23 minutes, we know that the total drop \(d\) is given by

\[
d = 23 \cdot (-2) = -46.
\]

To determine the temperature after this time period, we find the sum of 17 and \(-46\), or

\[
T = 17 + (-46) = -29.
\]

Thus the temperature at 10:23 A.M. was \(-29°C\).

Do Exercise 30.

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**Study Tips**

**ATTITUDE AND THE POWER OF YOUR CHOICES**

You can choose to improve your attitude and raise the academic goals that you have set for yourself. Projecting a positive attitude toward your study of mathematics and expecting a positive outcome can make it easier for you to learn and to perform well in this course.

Here are some positive choices you can make:

- Choose to allocate the proper amount of time to learn.
- Choose to place the primary responsibility for learning on yourself.
- Choose to make a strong commitment to learning.

Well-known American psychologist William James once said, “The one thing that will guarantee the successful conclusion of a doubtful undertaking is faith in the beginning that you can do it.”
Multiply.

1. \(-4 \cdot 2\)  
2. \(-3 \cdot 5\)  
3. \(-8 \cdot 6\)  
4. \(-5 \cdot 2\)  
5. \(8 \cdot (-3)\)

6. \(9 \cdot (-5)\)  
7. \(-9 \cdot 8\)  
8. \(-10 \cdot 3\)  
9. \(-8 \cdot (-2)\)  
10. \(-2 \cdot (-5)\)

11. \(-7 \cdot (-6)\)  
12. \(-9 \cdot (-2)\)  
13. \(15 \cdot (-8)\)  
14. \(-12 \cdot (-10)\)  
15. \(-14 \cdot 17\)

16. \(-13 \cdot (-15)\)  
17. \(-25 \cdot (-48)\)  
18. \(39 \cdot (-43)\)  
19. \(-3.5 \cdot (-28)\)  
20. \(97 \cdot (-2.1)\)

21. \(9 \cdot (-8)\)  
22. \(7 \cdot (-9)\)  
23. \(4 \cdot (-3.1)\)  
24. \(3 \cdot (-2.2)\)  
25. \(-5 \cdot (-6)\)

26. \(-6 \cdot (-4)\)  
27. \(-7 \cdot (-3.1)\)  
28. \(-4 \cdot (-3.2)\)  
29. \(\frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)\)  
30. \(\frac{5}{7} \cdot \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\)

31. \(-\frac{3}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{-2}{9}\right)\)  
32. \(-\frac{5}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{-2}{5}\right)\)  
33. \(-6.3 \times 2.7\)  
34. \(-4.1 \times 9.5\)

35. \(\frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{4}\)  
36. \(-\frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{9}{4}\)  
37. \(7 \cdot (-4) \cdot (-3) \cdot 5\)  
38. \(9 \cdot (-2) \cdot (-6) \cdot 7\)

39. \(-\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{-6}{7}\right)\)  
40. \(-\frac{1}{8} \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)\)  
41. \(-3 \cdot (-4) \cdot (-5)\)  
42. \(-2 \cdot (-5) \cdot (-7)\)

43. \(-2 \cdot (-5) \cdot (-3) \cdot (-5)\)  
44. \(-3 \cdot (-5) \cdot (-2) \cdot (-1)\)  
45. \(\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{-2}{9}\right)\)

46. \(-\frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{-2}{7}\right)\)  
47. \(-7 \cdot (-21) \cdot 13\)  
48. \(-14 \cdot (34) \cdot 12\)
49. \(-4 \cdot (-1.8) \cdot 7\)  
50. \(-8 \cdot (-1.3) \cdot (-5)\)  
51. \(-\frac{1}{9} \left( -\frac{2}{3} \right) \left( \frac{5}{7} \right)\)

52. \(-\frac{7}{2} \left( -\frac{5}{7} \right) \left( -\frac{2}{5} \right)\)  
53. \(4 \cdot (-4) \cdot (-5) \cdot (-12)\)  
54. \(-2 \cdot (-3) \cdot (-4) \cdot (-5)\)

55. \(0.07 \cdot (-7) \cdot 6 \cdot (-6)\)  
56. \(80 \cdot (-0.8) \cdot (-90) \cdot (-0.09)\)  
57. \(\left( -\frac{5}{6} \right) \left( \frac{1}{8} \right) \left( -\frac{3}{7} \right) \left( -\frac{1}{7} \right)\)

58. \(\left( \frac{4}{5} \right) \left( -\frac{2}{3} \right) \left( -\frac{15}{7} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)\)  
59. \((-14) \cdot (-27) \cdot 0\)  
60. \(7 \cdot (-6) \cdot 5 \cdot (-4) \cdot 3 \cdot (-2) \cdot 1 \cdot 0\)

61. \((-8) \cdot (-9) \cdot (-10)\)  
62. \((-7) \cdot (-8) \cdot (-9) \cdot (-10)\)  
63. \((-6) \cdot (-7) \cdot (-8) \cdot (-9) \cdot (-10)\)

64. \((-5) \cdot (-6) \cdot (-7) \cdot (-8) \cdot (-9) \cdot (-10)\)  
65. \((-1)^{12}\)  
66. \((-1)^{9}\)

67. Evaluate \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) when \(x = 4\) and when \(x = -4\).  
68. Evaluate \((-x)^2\) and \(-x^2\) when \(x = 10\) and when \(x = -10\).

69. Evaluate \((-3x)^2\) and \(-3x^2\) when \(x = 7\).  
70. Evaluate \((-2x)^2\) and \(-2x^2\) when \(x = 3\).

71. Evaluate \(5x^2\) when \(x = 2\) and when \(x = -2\).  
72. Evaluate \(2x^2\) when \(x = 5\) and when \(x = -5\).

73. Evaluate \(-2x^3\) when \(x = 1\) and when \(x = -1\).  
74. Evaluate \(-3x^3\) when \(x = 2\) and when \(x = -2\).

75. **Lost Weight.** Dave lost 2 lb each week for a period of 10 weeks. Express his total weight change as an integer.

76. **Stock Loss.** Emma lost $3 each day for a period of 5 days in the value of a stock she owned. Express her total loss as an integer.

77. **Chemical Reaction.** The temperature of a chemical compound was 0°C at 11:00 A.M. During a reaction, it dropped 3°C per minute until 11:18 A.M. What was the temperature at 11:18 A.M.?

78. **Chemical Reaction.** The temperature in a chemical compound was -5°C at 3:20 P.M. During a reaction, it increased 2°C per minute until 3:52 P.M. What was the temperature at 3:52 P.M.?
79. **Stock Price.** The price of ePDQ.com began the day at $23.75 per share and dropped $1.38 per hour for 8 hr. What was the price of the stock after 8 hr?

80. **Population Decrease.** The population of a rural town was 12,500. It decreased 380 each year for 4 yr. What was the population of the town after 4 yr?

81. **Diver’s Position.** After diving 95 m below the sea level, a diver rises at a rate of 7 meters per minute for 9 min. Where is the diver in relation to the surface?

82. **Checking Account Balance.** Karen had $68 in her checking account. After she had written checks to make seven purchases at $13 each, what was the balance in her checking account?

83. **Multiplication can be thought of as repeated addition.** Using this concept and a number line, explain why $3 \cdot (-5) = -15$.

84. **What rule have we developed that would tell you the sign of** $(-7)^8$ and $(-7)^{11}$ without doing the computations? Explain.

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**SKILL MAINTENANCE**

85. Evaluate $\frac{x - 2y}{3}$ for $x = 20$ and $y = 7$. [1.1a]

Write true or false. [1.2d]

87. $-10 > -12$

88. $0 \leq -1$

89. $4 < -8$

90. $-7 \leq -6$

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**SYNTHESIS**

For each of Exercises 91 and 92, choose the correct answer from the selections given.

91. **If** $a$ **is positive and** $b$ **is negative, then** $-ab$ **is:**
   - a) Positive.
   - b) Negative.
   - c) 0.
   - d) Cannot be determined without more information

92. **If** $a$ **is positive and** $b$ **is negative, then** $(-a)(-b)$ **is:**
   - a) Positive.
   - b) Negative.
   - c) 0.
   - d) Cannot be determined without more information

93. Below is a number line showing 0 and two positive numbers $x$ and $y$. Use a compass or ruler to locate as best you can the following:

$$2x, \ 3x, \ 2y, \ -x, \ -y, \ x + y, \ x - y, \ x - 2y.$$  

94. Of all possible quotients of the numbers 10, $-\frac{1}{2}$, $-5$, and $\frac{1}{5}$, which two produce the largest quotient? Which two produce the smallest quotient?
We now consider division of real numbers. The definition of division results in rules for division that are the same as those for multiplication.

**Division of Integers**

The quotient or where is that unique real number \( c \) for which \( \frac{a}{b} \).

**EXAMPLES**

Divide, if possible. Check your answer.

1. \( 14 \div (-7) = -2 \)  
   *Think: What number multiplied by \(-7\) gives 14?*
   *That number is \(-2\). Check: \((-2)(-7) = 14).*

2. \( \frac{-32}{-4} = 8 \)  
   *Think: What number multiplied by \(-4\) gives \(-32\)?
   *That number is 8. Check: \(8(-4) = -32).*

3. \( \frac{-10}{7} = \frac{-10}{7} \)  
   *Think: What number multiplied by \(-7\) gives \(-10\)?
   *That number is \(-\frac{10}{7}\). Check: \(-\frac{10}{7} \cdot 7 = -10).*

4. \( \frac{-17}{0} \) is not defined.  
   *Think: What number multiplied by 0 gives \(-17\)?
   *There is no such number because the product of 0 and any number is 0.

The rules for division are the same as those for multiplication.

**Do Exercises 1–6.**

**EXCLUDING DIVISION BY 0**

Example 4 shows why we cannot divide \(-17\) by 0. We can use the same argument to show why we cannot divide any nonzero number \( b \) by 0. Consider \( b \div 0 \). We look for a number that when multiplied by 0 gives \( b \). There is no such number because the product of 0 and any number is 0. Thus we cannot divide a nonzero number \( b \) by 0.

On the other hand, if we divide 0 by 0, we look for a number \( c \) such that \( 0 \cdot c = 0 \). But \( 0 \cdot c = 0 \) for any number \( c \). Thus it appears that \( 0 \div 0 \) could be any number we choose. Getting any answer we want when we divide 0 by 0 would be very confusing. Thus we agree that division by zero is not defined.
EXCLUDING DIVISION BY 0

Division by 0 is not defined.

\[ a \div 0, \text{ or } \frac{a}{0}, \text{ is not defined for all real numbers } a. \]

DIVIDING 0 BY OTHER NUMBERS

Note that

\[ 0 \div 8 = 0 \text{ because } 0 = 0 \cdot 8; \quad \frac{0}{-5} = 0 \text{ because } 0 = 0 \cdot (-5). \]

DIVIDENDS OF 0

Zero divided by any nonzero real number is 0:

\[ \frac{0}{a} = 0; \quad a \neq 0. \]

**EXAMPLES** Divide.

5. \( 0 \div (-6) = 0 \)
6. \( \frac{0}{12} = 0 \)
7. \( -\frac{3}{0} \) is not defined.

Do Exercises 7 and 8.

Reciprocals

When two numbers like \( \frac{1}{2} \) and 2 are multiplied, the result is 1. Such numbers are called **reciprocals** of each other. Every nonzero real number has a reciprocal, also called a **multiplicative inverse**.

**RECIPROCALS**

Two numbers whose product is 1 are called **reciprocals**, or **multiplicative inverses**, of each other.

**EXAMPLES** Find the reciprocal.

8. \( \frac{7}{8} \) The reciprocal of \( \frac{7}{8} \) is \( \frac{8}{7} \) because \( \frac{7}{8} \cdot \frac{8}{7} = 1 \).
9. \( -5 \) The reciprocal of \( -5 \) is \( \frac{1}{5} \) because \( -5 \left( \frac{1}{5} \right) = 1 \).
10. \( 3.9 \) The reciprocal of \( 3.9 \) is \( \frac{1}{3.9} \) because \( 3.9 \left( \frac{1}{3.9} \right) = 1 \).
11. \( \frac{1}{2} \) The reciprocal of \( -\frac{1}{2} \) is \(-2\) because \( -\frac{1}{2} (-2) = 1 \).
12. \( -\frac{2}{3} \) The reciprocal of \( -\frac{2}{3} \) is \( \frac{3}{2} \) because \( -\frac{2}{3} \left( -\frac{3}{2} \right) = 1 \).
13. \( \frac{1}{3/4} \) The reciprocal of \( \frac{1}{3/4} \) is \( \frac{3}{4} \) because \( \left( \frac{1}{3/4} \right) \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) = 1 \).

Answers on page A-3
15. Complete the following table.

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**RECIPROCAL PROPERTIES**

For $a \neq 0$, the reciprocal of $a$ can be named $\frac{1}{a}$ and the reciprocal of $\frac{1}{a}$ is $a$.

The reciprocal of a nonzero number $\frac{a}{b}$ can be named $\frac{b}{a}$.

The number 0 has no reciprocal.

Do Exercises 9–14 on the preceding page.

The reciprocal of a positive number is also a positive number, because their product must be the positive number 1. The reciprocal of a negative number is also a negative number, because their product must be the positive number 1.

**THE SIGN OF A RECIPROCAL**

The reciprocal of a number has the same sign as the number itself.

It is important *not* to confuse *opposite* with *reciprocal*. Keep in mind that the opposite, or additive inverse, of a number is what we *add* to the number to get 0. The reciprocal, or multiplicative inverse, is what we *multiply* the number by to get 1.

Compare the following.

Answers on page A-3

**Study Tips**

**TAKE THE TIME!**

The foundation of all your study skills is *time*! If you invest your time, we will help you achieve success.

“Nine-tenths of wisdom is being wise in time.”

Theodore Roosevelt

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Do Exercise 15.
**C Division of Real Numbers**

We know that we can subtract by adding an opposite. Similarly, we can divide by multiplying by a reciprocal.

**RECIPIRALS AND DIVISION**

For any real numbers $a$ and $b$, $b \neq 0$,

$$a \div b = \frac{a}{b} = a \cdot \frac{1}{b}.$$  
(To divide, multiply by the reciprocal of the divisor.)

**EXAMPLES**  Rewrite the division as a multiplication.

14. $-4 \div 3$  
$-4 \div 3$ is the same as $-4 \cdot \frac{1}{3}$

15. $\frac{6}{7}$  
$\frac{6}{7} = 6 \left( -\frac{1}{7} \right)$

16. $\frac{x + 2}{5}$  
$\frac{x + 2}{5} = (x + 2) \cdot \frac{1}{5}$  
Parentheses are necessary here.

17. $\frac{-17}{1/b}$  
$\frac{-17}{1/b} = -17 \cdot b$

18. $\frac{3}{5} + \left( -\frac{9}{7} \right)$  
$\frac{3}{5} + \left( -\frac{9}{7} \right) = \frac{3}{5} \left( -\frac{7}{9} \right)$


When actually doing division calculations, we sometimes multiply by a reciprocal and we sometimes divide directly. With fraction notation, it is usually better to multiply by a reciprocal. With decimal notation, it is usually better to divide directly.

**EXAMPLES**  Divide by multiplying by the reciprocal of the divisor.

19. $\frac{2}{3} + \left( -\frac{5}{4} \right) = \frac{2}{3} \left( -\frac{4}{5} \right) = -\frac{8}{15}$

20. $\frac{-5}{6} + \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right) = -\frac{5}{6} \left( -\frac{4}{3} \right) = \frac{20}{18} = \frac{10 \cdot 2}{9 \cdot 2} = \frac{10}{9} \cdot \frac{2}{2} = \frac{10}{9}$

**Caution!**  Be careful not to change the sign when taking a reciprocal!

21. $\frac{-3}{4} + \frac{3}{10} = -\frac{3}{4} \cdot \left( \frac{10}{3} \right) = -\frac{30}{12} = -\frac{6}{2} = -\frac{5}{2}$

22. $\frac{8}{5} + \frac{2}{3}$

23. $\frac{-12}{7} + \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right)$

24. Divide: $21.7 \div (-3.1)$.

Answers on page A-3

1.6 Division of Real Numbers
Find two equal expressions for the number with negative signs in different places.

25. \(-\frac{5}{6}\)

26. \(-\frac{8}{7}\)

27. \(-\frac{10}{3}\)

Answers on page A-3

With decimal notation, it is easier to carry out long division than to multiply by the reciprocal.

**EXAMPLES** Divide.

22. \(-27.9 \div (-3) = \frac{-27.9}{-3} = 9.3\)  
   Do the long division \(\frac{9.3}{27.9}\).  
   The answer is positive.

23. \(-6.3 \div 2.1 = -3\)  
   Do the long division \(2\frac{1}{6.3}\).  
   The answer is negative.

Do Exercises 21–24 on the preceding page.

Consider the following:

1. \(\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{-1}{-1} = \frac{2(-1)}{3(-1)} = \frac{-2}{-3}\).  
   Thus, \(\frac{2}{3} = \frac{-2}{-3}\).  
   (A negative number divided by a negative number is positive.)

2. \(\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-1}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{-1}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{-2}{3}\).  
   Thus, \(\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-2}{3}\).  
   (A negative number divided by a positive number is negative.)

3. \(\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-1}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{-1}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{-2(-1)}{3(-1)} = \frac{2}{-3}\).  
   Thus, \(\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{2}{-3}\).  
   (A positive number divided by a negative number is negative.)

We can use the following properties to make sign changes in fraction notation.

**SIGN CHANGES IN FRACTION NOTATION**

For any numbers \(a\) and \(b\), \(b \neq 0\):

1. \(-\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{-b}\)  
   (The opposite of a number \(a\) divided by the opposite of another number \(b\) is the same as the quotient of the two numbers \(a\) and \(b\).)

2. \(-\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{-b} = -\frac{a}{b}\)  
   (The opposite of a number \(a\) divided by another number \(b\) is the same as the number \(a\) divided by the opposite of the number \(b\), and both are the same as the opposite of \(a\) divided by \(b\).)

Do Exercises 25–27.
Applications and Problem Solving

**EXAMPLE 24 Chemical Reaction.** During a chemical reaction, the temperature in the beaker decreased every minute by the same number of degrees. The temperature was 56°F at 10:10 A.M. By 10:42 A.M., the temperature had dropped to −12°F. By how many degrees did it change each minute?

We first determine by how many degrees \( d \) the temperature changed altogether. We subtract −12 from 56:

\[
d = 56 - (-12) = 56 + 12 = 68.
\]

The temperature changed a total of 68°F. We can express this as −68°F since the temperature dropped.

The amount of time \( t \) that passed was 42 − 10, or 32 min. Thus the number of degrees \( T \) that the temperature dropped each minute is given by

\[
T = \frac{d}{t} = -\frac{68}{32} = -2.125.
\]

The change was −2.125°F per minute.

Do Exercise 28.

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**CALCULATOR CORNER**

**Operations on the Real Numbers** We can perform operations on the real numbers on a graphing calculator. Recall that negative numbers are entered using the opposite key, \( \boxed{-} \), rather than the subtraction operation key, \( \boxed{\text{−}} \). Consider the sum −5 + (−3.8). We use parentheses when we write this sum in order to separate the addition symbol and the "opposite of" symbol and thus make the expression more easily read. When we enter this calculation on a graphing calculator, however, the parentheses are not necessary. We can press \( \boxed{5} \boxed{\text{−}} \boxed{3.8} \boxed{\text{+}} \). The result is −8.8. Note that it is not incorrect to enter the parentheses. The result will be the same if this is done.

To find the difference 10 − (−17), we press \( \boxed{10} \boxed{\text{−}} \boxed{\boxed{\text{+}} \boxed{17}} \). The result is 27. We can also multiply and divide real numbers. To find −5 · (−7), we press \( \boxed{5} \boxed{\text{−}} \boxed{\boxed{\text{+}} \boxed{7}} \), and to find 45 ÷ (−9), we press \( \boxed{45} \boxed{\text{÷}} \boxed{\boxed{\text{+}} \boxed{9}} \). Note that it is not necessary to use parentheses in any of these calculations.

**Exercises:** Use a calculator to perform the operation.

1. \( -8 + 4 \)
2. \( 1.2 + (-1.5) \)
3. \( -7 + (-5) \)
4. \( -7.6 + (-1.9) \)
5. \( -8 - 4 \)
6. \( 1.2 - (-1.5) \)
7. \( -7 - (-5) \)
8. \( -7.6 - (-1.9) \)
9. \( -8 \cdot 4 \)
10. \( 1.2 \cdot (-1.5) \)
11. \( -7 \cdot (-5) \)
12. \( -7.6 \cdot (-1.9) \)
13. \( -8 \div 4 \)
14. \( 1.2 \div (-1.5) \)
15. \( -7 \div (-5) \)
16. \( -7.6 \div (-1.9) \)
EXERCISE SET

a. Divide, if possible. Check each answer.

1. $48 \div (-6)$  
2. $\frac{42}{-7}$  
3. $\frac{28}{-2}$  
4. $24 \div (-12)$

5. $-\frac{24}{8}$  
6. $-18 \div (-2)$  
7. $-\frac{36}{12}$  
8. $-72 \div (-9)$

9. $-\frac{72}{9}$  
10. $-\frac{50}{25}$  
11. $-100 \div (-50)$  
12. $-\frac{200}{8}$

13. $-108 \div 9$  
14. $-\frac{63}{-7}$  
15. $\frac{200}{-25}$  
16. $-300 \div (-16)$

17. $\frac{75}{0}$  
18. $\frac{0}{5}$  
19. $0 \div -2.6$  
20. $-\frac{23}{0}$

b. Find the reciprocal.

21. $\frac{15}{7}$  
22. $\frac{3}{8}$  
23. $-\frac{47}{13}$  
24. $-\frac{31}{12}$

25. 13  
26. -10  
27. 4.3  
28. -8.5

29. $\frac{1}{-7.1}$  
30. $\frac{1}{-4.9}$  
31. $\frac{p}{q}$  
32. $\frac{s}{t}$

33. $\frac{1}{4y}$  
34. $-\frac{1}{8a}$  
35. $\frac{2a}{3b}$  
36. $-\frac{4y}{3x}$
Rewrite the division as a multiplication.

37. \( 4 \div 17 \)  
38. \( 5 \div (-8) \)  
39. \( \frac{8}{-13} \)  
40. \( \frac{-13}{47} \)

41. \( \frac{13.9}{-1.5} \)  
42. \( \frac{47.3}{21.4} \)  
43. \( \frac{x}{1} \div \frac{y}{y} \)  
44. \( \frac{13}{x} \)

45. \( \frac{3x + 4}{5} \)  
46. \( \frac{4y - 8}{-7} \)  
47. \( \frac{5a - b}{5a + b} \)  
48. \( \frac{2x + x^2}{x - 5} \)

Divide.

49. \( \frac{3}{4} \div (-\frac{2}{3}) \)  
50. \( \frac{7}{8} \div (-\frac{1}{2}) \)  
51. \( -\frac{5}{4} \div (-\frac{3}{4}) \)  
52. \( -\frac{5}{9} \div (-\frac{5}{6}) \)

53. \( \frac{2}{7} \div (-\frac{4}{9}) \)  
54. \( \frac{3}{5} \div (-\frac{5}{8}) \)  
55. \( \frac{3}{8} \div (-\frac{8}{3}) \)  
56. \( \frac{5}{8} \div (-\frac{6}{5}) \)

57. \( -6.6 \div 3.3 \)  
58. \( -44.1 \div (-6.3) \)  
59. \( -\frac{11}{13} \)  
60. \( -\frac{1.9}{20} \)

61. \( \frac{48.6}{-3} \)  
62. \( -\frac{17.8}{3.2} \)  
63. \( -\frac{9}{17 - 17} \)  
64. \( -\frac{8}{-5 + 5} \)
Percent of Increase or Decrease in Employment. A percent of increase is generally positive and a percent of decrease is generally negative. The following table lists estimates of the number of job opportunities for various occupations in 2002 and 2012. In Exercises 65–68, find the missing numbers.

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Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

69. **Dw** Explain how multiplication can be used to justify why a negative number divided by a positive number is negative.

70. **Dw** Explain how multiplication can be used to justify why a negative number divided by a negative number is positive.

### Skill Maintenance

Simplify.

71. \( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \) [1.4a]

72. \(-9 - 3 + 17\) [1.4a]

73. \(35 \cdot (-1.2)\) [1.5a]

74. \(4 \cdot (-6) \cdot (-2) \cdot (-1)\) [1.5a]

75. \(13.4 + (-4.9)\) [1.3a]

76. \(-\frac{3}{8} - \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)\) [1.4a]

Convert to decimal notation. [1.2c]

77. \(-\frac{1}{11}\)

78. \(\frac{11}{12}\)

### Synthesis

79. Find the reciprocal of \(-10.5\). What happens if you take the reciprocal of the result?

80. Determine those real numbers \(a\) for which the opposite of \(a\) is the same as the reciprocal of \(a\).

Tell whether the expression represents a positive number or a negative number when \(a\) and \(b\) are negative.

81. \(\frac{-a}{b}\)

82. \(\frac{-a}{-b}\)

83. \(-\left(\frac{a}{-b}\right)\)

84. \(-\left(\frac{-a}{b}\right)\)

85. \(-\left(\frac{-a}{-b}\right)\)
1.7 PROPERTIES OF REAL NUMBERS

a. Equivalent Expressions

In solving equations and doing other kinds of work in algebra, we manipulate expressions in various ways. For example, instead of $x + x$, we might write $2x$, knowing that the two expressions represent the same number for any allowable replacement of $x$. In that sense, the expressions $x + x$ and $2x$ are equivalent, as are $\frac{3}{x}$ and $\frac{3x}{x^2}$, even though 0 is not an allowable replacement because division by 0 is not defined.

EQUIVALENT EXPRESSIONS

Two expressions that have the same value for all allowable replacements are called equivalent.

The expressions $x + 3x$ and $5x$ are not equivalent.

Do Exercises 1 and 2.

In this section, we will consider several laws of real numbers that will allow us to find equivalent expressions. The first two laws are the identity properties of 0 and 1.

THE IDENTITY PROPERTY OF 0

For any real number $a$,

$$a + 0 = 0 + a = a.$$  
(The number 0 is the additive identity.)

THE IDENTITY PROPERTY OF 1

For any real number $a$,

$$a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a.$$  
(The number 1 is the multiplicative identity.)

We often refer to the use of the identity property of 1 as “multiplying by 1.” We can use this method to find equivalent fraction expressions. Recall from arithmetic that to multiply with fraction notation, we multiply numerators and denominators.

**EXAMPLE 1** Write a fraction expression equivalent to $\frac{2}{3}$ with a denominator of $3x$:

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3x}.$$  

Complete the table by evaluating each expression for the given values.

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3. Write a fraction expression equivalent to \( \frac{3}{4} \) with a denominator of 8:

\[ \frac{3}{4} = \frac{6}{8}. \]

4. Write a fraction expression equivalent to \( \frac{3}{4} \) with a denominator of 4:

\[ \frac{3}{4} = \frac{12}{16}. \]

5. Simplify.

\[ \frac{3y}{4y} \]


\[ \frac{16m}{12m} \]

7. Simplify.

\[ \frac{5xy}{40y} \]

8. Simplify.

\[ \frac{18p}{24pq} \]

9. Evaluate \( x + y \) and \( y + x \) when \( x = -2 \) and \( y = 3 \).

10. Evaluate \( xy \) and \( yx \) when \( x = -2 \) and \( y = 5 \).

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Note that \( 3x = 3 \cdot x \). We want fraction notation for \( \frac{2}{3} \) that has a denominator of \( 3 \), but the denominator \( 3 \) is missing a factor of \( x \). Thus we multiply by 1, using as an equivalent expression for 1:

\[ \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{x}{x} = \frac{2x}{3x}. \]

The expressions \( 2/3 \) and \( 2x/3x \) are equivalent. They have the same value for any allowable replacement. Note that \( 2x/3x \) is not defined for a replacement of 0, but for all nonzero real numbers, the expressions \( 2/3 \) and \( 2x/3x \) have the same value.

Do Exercises 3 and 4.

In algebra, we consider an expression like \( 2/3 \) to be “simplified” from \( 2x/3x \). To find such simplified expressions, we use the identity property of 1 to remove a factor of 1.

**EXAMPLE 2** Simplify: \( \frac{-20x}{12x} \).

\[ \frac{-20x}{12x} = \frac{-5 \cdot 4x}{3 \cdot 4x} \]

We look for the largest factor common to both the numerator and the denominator and factor each.

\[ = \frac{-5}{3} \cdot \frac{4x}{4x} \]

Factoring the fraction expression

\[ = \frac{-5}{3} \cdot 1 \]

Removing a factor of 1 using the identity property of 1

\[ = \frac{-5}{3} \]

**EXAMPLE 3** Simplify: \( \frac{14ab}{56a} \).

\[ \frac{14ab}{56a} = \frac{14a \cdot b}{14a \cdot 4} = \frac{14a}{14a} \cdot \frac{b}{4} = 1 \cdot \frac{b}{4} = \frac{b}{4} \]

Do Exercises 5–8.

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**The Commutative and Associative Laws**

### THE COMMUTATIVE LAWS

Let’s examine the expressions \( x + y \) and \( y + x \), as well as \( xy \) and \( yx \).

**EXAMPLE 4** Evaluate \( x + y \) and \( y + x \) when \( x = 4 \) and \( y = 3 \).

We substitute 4 for \( x \) and 3 for \( y \) in both expressions:

\[ x + y = 4 + 3 = 7; \quad y + x = 3 + 4 = 7. \]

**EXAMPLE 5** Evaluate \( xy \) and \( yx \) when \( x = 23 \) and \( y = -12 \).

We substitute 23 for \( x \) and \( -12 \) for \( y \) in both expressions:

\[ xy = 23 \cdot (-12) = -276; \quad yx = (-12) \cdot 23 = -276. \]
Do Exercises 9 and 10 on the preceding page.

Note that the expressions \( x + y \) and \( y + x \) have the same values no matter what the variables stand for. Thus they are equivalent. Therefore, when we add two numbers, the order in which we add does not matter. Similarly, the expressions \( xy \) and \( yx \) are equivalent. They also have the same values, no matter what the variables stand for. Therefore, when we multiply two numbers, the order in which we multiply does not matter.

The following are examples of general patterns or laws.

### THE COMMUTATIVE LAWS

**Addition.** For any numbers \( a \) and \( b \),

\[
a + b = b + a.
\]

(We can change the order when adding without affecting the answer.)

**Multiplication.** For any numbers \( a \) and \( b \),

\[
ab = ba.
\]

(We can change the order when multiplying without affecting the answer.)

Using a commutative law, we know that \( x + 2 \) and \( 2 + x \) are equivalent. Similarly, \( 3x \) and \( x3 \) are equivalent. Thus, in an algebraic expression, we can replace one with the other and the result will be equivalent to the original expression.

**EXAMPLE 6** Use the commutative laws to write an expression equivalent to \( y + 5 \), \( ab \), and \( 7 + xy \).

An expression equivalent to \( y + 5 \) is \( 5 + y \) by the commutative law of addition.

An expression equivalent to \( ab \) is \( ba \) by the commutative law of multiplication.

An expression equivalent to \( 7 + xy \) is \( xy + 7 \) by the commutative law of addition. Another expression equivalent to \( 7 + xy \) is \( 7 + yx \) by the commutative law of multiplication. Another equivalent expression is \( xy + 7 \).

Do Exercises 11–13.

### THE ASSOCIATIVE LAWS

Now let’s examine the expressions \( a + (b + c) \) and \( (a + b) + c \). Note that these expressions involve the use of parentheses as grouping symbols, and they also involve three numbers. Calculations within parentheses are to be done first.

**EXAMPLE 7** Calculate and compare: \( 3 + (8 + 5) \) and \( (3 + 8) + 5 \).

\[
3 + (8 + 5) = 3 + 13 \quad \text{Calculating within parentheses first; adding the 8 and 5}
\]

\[
= 16;
\]

\[
(3 + 8) + 5 = 11 + 5 \quad \text{Calculating within parentheses first; adding the 3 and 8}
\]

\[
= 16
\]

Use a commutative law to write an equivalent expression.

11. \( x + 9 \)

12. \( pq \)

13. \( xy + t \)

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14. Calculate and compare:
   \[8 + (9 + 2)\] and \[(8 + 9) + 2\].

15. Calculate and compare:
   \[10 \cdot (5 - 3)\] and \[(10 \cdot 5) - 3\].

The two expressions in Example 7 name the same number. Moving the parentheses to group the additions differently does not affect the value of the expression.

**EXAMPLE 8** Calculate and compare: \[3 \cdot (4 \cdot 2)\] and \[(3 \cdot 4) \cdot 2\].

\[3 \cdot (4 \cdot 2) = 3 \cdot 8 = 24; \quad (3 \cdot 4) \cdot 2 = 12 \cdot 2 = 24\]

Do Exercises 14 and 15.

You may have noted that when only addition is involved, parentheses can be placed any way we please without affecting the answer. When only multiplication is involved, parentheses also can be placed any way we please without affecting the answer.

**THE ASSOCIATIVE LAWS**

**Addition.** For any numbers \(a, b,\) and \(c\),

\[a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c.\]

(Numbers can be grouped in any manner for addition.)

**Multiplication.** For any numbers \(a, b,\) and \(c\),

\[a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c.\]

(Numbers can be grouped in any manner for multiplication.)

**EXAMPLE 9** Use an associative law to write an expression equivalent to \((y + z) + 3\) and \(8(xy)\).

An expression equivalent to \((y + z) + 3\) is \(y + (z + 3)\) by the associative law of addition.

An expression equivalent to \(8(xy)\) is \((8x)y\) by the associative law of multiplication.

Do Exercises 16 and 17.

The associative laws say parentheses can be placed any way we please when only additions or only multiplications are involved. Thus we often omit them. For example,

\[x + (y + 2)\] means \(x + y + 2\), and \((lw)h\) means \(lwh\).

**USING THE COMMUTATIVE AND ASSOCIATIVE LAWS TOGETHER**

**EXAMPLE 10** Use the commutative and associative laws to write at least three expressions equivalent to \((x + 5) + y\).

**a)** \((x + 5) + y = x + (5 + y)\) Using the associative law first and then using the commutative law

\[= x + (y + 5)\]

**b)** \((x + 5) + y = y + (x + 5)\) Using the commutative law first and then the commutative law again

\[= y + (5 + x)\]

**c)** \((x + 5) + y = (5 + x) + y\) Using the commutative law first and then the associative law

\[= 5 + (x + y)\]
EXAMPLE 11  Use the commutative and associative laws to write at least three expressions equivalent to \((3x)y\).

a) \((3x)y = 3(xy)\)  Using the associative law first and then using the commutative law
   \[= 3(yx)\]

b) \((3x)y = y(3x)\)  Using the commutative law twice
   \[= y(x \cdot 3)\]

c) \((3x)y = (x \cdot 3)y\)  Using the commutative law, and then the associative law, and then the commutative law again
   \[= x(3y)\]
   \[= x(y \cdot 3)\]

Do Exercises 18 and 19.

The Distributive Laws

The distributive laws are the basis of many procedures in both arithmetic and algebra. They are probably the most important laws that we use to manipulate algebraic expressions. The distributive law of multiplication over addition involves two operations: addition and multiplication.

Let’s begin by considering a multiplication problem from arithmetic:

\[
\begin{array}{c}
4 \\
\times 5 \\
\hline \\
3 \\
2 \\
3 \\
1 \\
\end{array}
\]

\[\begin{array}{c}
\leftarrow \text{This is } 7 \cdot 5. \\
\leftarrow \text{This is } 7 \cdot 40. \\
\leftarrow \text{This is the sum } 7 \cdot 40 + 7 \cdot 5.
\end{array}\]

To carry out the multiplication, we actually added two products. That is,

\[7 \cdot 45 = 7(40 + 5) = 7 \cdot 40 + 7 \cdot 5.\]

Let’s examine this further. If we wish to multiply a sum of several numbers by a factor, we can either add and then multiply, or multiply and then add.

EXAMPLE 12  Compute in two ways: \(5 \cdot (4 + 8)\).

a) \[
\begin{array}{c}
5 \cdot (4 + 8) \quad \text{Adding within parentheses first, and then multiplying} \\
= 5 \cdot 12 \quad \downarrow \\
= 60
\end{array}
\]

b) \[
\begin{array}{c}
(5 \cdot 4) + (5 \cdot 8) \quad \text{Distributing the multiplication to terms within parentheses first and then adding} \\
= 20 + 40 \quad \downarrow \\
= 60
\end{array}
\]

Do Exercises 20–22.

THE DISTRIBUTIVE LAW OF MULTIPLICATION OVER ADDITION

For any numbers \(a\), \(b\), and \(c\),

\[a(b + c) = ab + ac.\]

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In the statement of the distributive law, we know that in an expression such as \( ab + ac \), the multiplications are to be done first according to the rules for order of operations. So, instead of writing \( (4 \cdot 5) + (4 \cdot 7) \), we can write \( 4 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 7 \). However, in \( (a b + c) \), we cannot omit the parentheses. If we did, we would have \( ab + c \), which means \( (ab) + c \). For example, \( 3(4 + 2) = 18 \), but \( 3 \cdot 4 + 2 = 14 \).

There is another distributive law that relates multiplication and subtraction. This law says that to multiply by a difference, we can either subtract and then multiply, or multiply and then subtract.

**THE DISTRIBUTIVE LAW OF MULTIPLICATION OVER SUBTRACTION**

For any numbers \( a \), \( b \), and \( c \),

\[
(a b - c) = ab - ac.
\]

We often refer to "the distributive law" when we mean either or both of these laws.

Do Exercises 23–25.

What do we mean by the terms of an expression? **Terms** are separated by addition signs. If there are subtraction signs, we can find an equivalent expression that uses addition signs.

**EXAMPLE 13** What are the terms of \( 3x - 4y + 2z \)?

We have

\[
3x - 4y + 2z = 3x + (-4y) + 2z. \quad \text{Separating parts with + signs}
\]

The terms are \( 3x \), \(-4y \), and \( 2z \).

Do Exercises 26 and 27.

The distributive laws are a basis for a procedure in algebra called **multiplying**. In an expression like \( 8(a + 2b - 7) \), we multiply each term inside the parentheses by 8:

\[
8(a + 2b - 7) = 8 \cdot a + 8 \cdot 2b - 8 \cdot 7 = 8a + 16b - 56.
\]

**EXAMPLES** Multiply.

14. \( 9(x - 5) \) Using the distributive law of multiplication over subtraction

\[
= 9x - 45
\]

15. \( \frac{2}{3}(w + 1) \) Using the distributive law of multiplication over addition

\[
= \frac{2}{3}w + \frac{2}{3}
\]

16. \( \frac{2}{3}(s - t + w) \) Using both distributive laws

\[
= \frac{2}{3}s - \frac{2}{3}t + \frac{2}{3}w
\]

Do Exercises 28–30.
EXAMPLE 17  Multiply: $-4(x - 2y + 3z)$.

\[
-4(x - 2y + 3z) = -4 \cdot x - (-4)(2y) + (-4)(3z) \quad \text{Using both distributive laws}
\]

\[
= -4x - (-8y) + (-12z)
\]

\[
= -4x + 8y - 12z
\]

We can also do this problem by first finding an equivalent expression with all plus signs and then multiplying:

\[
-4(x - 2y + 3z) = -4[x + (-2y) + 3z]
\]

\[
= -4 \cdot x + (-4)(-2y) + (-4)(3z)
\]

\[
= -4x + 8y - 12z.
\]

Do Exercises 31–33.

EXAMPLES  Name the property illustrated by the equation.

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<td>18. $5x = x(5)$</td>
<td>Commutative law of multiplication</td>
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<tr>
<td>19. $a + (8.5 + b) = (a + 8.5) + b$</td>
<td>Associative law of addition</td>
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<td>20. $0 + 11 = 11$</td>
<td>Identity property of 0</td>
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<td>21. $(-5s)t = -5(st)$</td>
<td>Associative law of multiplication</td>
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<td>22. $\frac{3}{4} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{4}$</td>
<td>Identity property of 1</td>
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<td>23. $12.5(w - 3) = 12.5w - 12.5(3)$</td>
<td>Distributive law of multiplication over subtraction</td>
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<td>24. $y + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + y$</td>
<td>Commutative law of addition</td>
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Do Exercises 34–40.

Factoring  

Factoring is the reverse of multiplying. To factor, we can use the distributive laws in reverse:

\[
ab + ac = a(b + c) \quad \text{and} \quad ab - ac = a(b - c).
\]

To factor an expression is to find an equivalent expression that is a product.

Look at Example 14. To factor $9x - 45$, we find an equivalent expression that is a product, $9(x - 5)$. When all the terms of an expression have a factor in common, we can “factor it out” using the distributive laws. Note the following:

$9x$ has the factors 9, $-9$, 3, $-3$, 1, $-1$, $x$, $-x$, 3$x$, $-3x$, 9$x$, $-9x$; $-45$ has the factors 1, $-1$, 3, $-3$, 5, $-5$, 9, $-9$, 15, $-15$, 45, $-45$.

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Factor.

41. $6x - 12$

42. $3x - 6y + 9$

43. $bx + by - bz$

44. $16a - 36b + 42$

45. $\frac{3}{8}x - \frac{5}{8}y + \frac{7}{8}$

46. $-12x + 32y - 16z$

We generally remove the largest common factor. In this case, that factor is 9. Thus,

$$9x - 45 = 9 \cdot x - 9 \cdot 5 = 9(x - 5).$$

Remember that an expression has been factored when we have found an equivalent expression that is a product. Above, we note that $9x - 45$ and $9(x - 5)$ are equivalent expressions. The expression $9x - 45$ is the difference of $9x$ and $45$; the expression $9(x - 5)$ is the product of $9$ and $(x - 5)$.

**EXAMPLES**

Factor.

25. $5x - 10 = 5 \cdot x - 5 \cdot 2$ Try to do this step mentally.

\[= 5(x - 2)\] You can check by multiplying.

26. $ax - ay + az = a(x - y + z)$

27. $9x + 27y - 9 = 9 \cdot x + 9 \cdot 3y - 9 \cdot 1 = 9(x + 3y - 1)$

Note in Example 27 that you might, at first, just factor out a 3, as follows:

$$9x + 27y - 9 = 3 \cdot 3x + 3 \cdot 9y - 3 \cdot 3 = 3(3x + 9y - 3).$$

At this point, the mathematics is correct, but the answer is not because there is another factor of 3 that can be factored out, as follows:

$$3 \cdot 3x + 3 \cdot 9y - 3 \cdot 3 = 3(3x + 9y - 3)$$

$$= 3(3 \cdot x + 3 \cdot 3y - 3 \cdot 1)$$

$$= 3 \cdot 3(x + 3y - 1)$$

$$= 9(x + 3y - 1).$$

We now have a correct answer, but it took more work than we did in Example 27. Thus it is better to look for the greatest common factor at the outset.

**EXAMPLES**

Factor. Try to write just the answer, if you can.

28. $5x - 5y = 5(x - y)$

29. $-3x + 6y - 9z = -3(x - 2y + 3z)$

We usually factor out a negative factor when the first term is negative. The way we factor can depend on the situation in which we are working. We might also factor the expression in Example 29 as follows:

$$-3x + 6y - 9z = 3(-x + 2y - 3z).$$

30. $18z - 12x - 24 = 6(3z - 2x - 4)$

31. $\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(x + 3y - 1)$

Remember that you can always check factoring by multiplying. Keep in mind that an expression is factored when it is written as a product.

*Do Exercises 41–46.*
Collecting Like Terms

Terms such as $5x$ and $-4x$, whose variable factors are exactly the same, are called like terms. Similarly, numbers, such as $-7$ and $13$, are like terms. Also, $3y^2$ and $9y^2$ are like terms because the variables are raised to the same power. Terms such as $4y$ and $5y^2$ are not like terms, and $7x$ and $2y$ are not like terms.

The process of collecting like terms is also based on the distributive laws. We can apply the distributive law when a factor is on the right because of the commutative law of multiplication.

Later in this text, terminology like "collecting like terms" and "combining like terms" will also be referred to as "simplifying."

**EXAMPLES** Collect like terms. Try to write just the answer, if you can.

32. $4x + 2x = (4 + 2)x = 6x$  \hspace{1cm} \text{Factoring out the } x \text{ using a distributive law}

33. $2x + 3y - 5x - 2y = 2x - 5x + 3y - 2y = (2 - 5)x + (3 - 2)y = -3x + y$

34. $3x - x = 3x - 1x = (3 - 1)x = 2x$

35. $x - 0.24x = 1 \cdot x - 0.24x = (1 - 0.24)x = 0.76x$

36. $x - 6x = 1 \cdot x - 6 \cdot x = (1 - 6)x = -5x$

37. $4x - 7y + 9x - 5 + 3y - 8 = 13x - 4y - 13$

38. $\frac{2}{5}a - b + \frac{4}{5}a + \frac{1}{5}b - 10 = \frac{2}{5}a - 1 \cdot b + \frac{4}{5}a + \frac{1}{5}b - 10 = \left(\frac{2}{5} + \frac{4}{5}\right)a + (\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5})b - 10 = \frac{10}{5}a + \frac{12}{5}b - 10 = \frac{10}{5}a - \frac{3}{5}b - 10$

Do Exercises 47–53.

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1.7 EXERCISE SET

For Extra Help

a) Find an equivalent expression with the given denominator.

1. \( \frac{3}{5} \) to \( \frac{1}{5y} \)
2. \( \frac{5}{8} \) to \( \frac{1}{8t} \)
3. \( \frac{2}{3} \) to \( \frac{1}{15x} \)
4. \( \frac{6}{7} \) to \( \frac{1}{14y} \)
5. \( \frac{2}{x} \) to \( \frac{1}{x^2} \)
6. \( \frac{4}{9x} \) to \( \frac{1}{9xy} \)

b) Write an equivalent expression. Use a commutative law.

13. \( y + 8 \)
14. \( x + 3 \)
15. \( mn \)
16. \( ab \)

17. \( 9 + xy \)
18. \( 11 + ab \)
19. \( ab + c \)
20. \( rs + t \)

Write an equivalent expression. Use an associative law.

21. \( a + (b + 2) \)
22. \( 3(uw) \)
23. \( (8x)y \)
24. \( (y + z) + 7 \)

25. \( (a + b) + 3 \)
26. \( (5 + x) + y \)
27. \( 3(ab) \)
28. \( (6x)y \)

Use the commutative and associative laws to write three equivalent expressions.

29. \( (a + b) + 2 \)
30. \( (3 + x) + y \)
31. \( 5 + (v + w) \)
32. \( 6 + (x + y) \)

33. \( (xy)3 \)
34. \( (ab)5 \)
35. \( 7(ab) \)
36. \( 5(xy) \)

C) Multiply.

37. \( 2(b + 5) \)
38. \( 4(x + 3) \)
39. \( 7(1 + t) \)
40. \( 4(1 + y) \)

41. \( 6(5x + 2) \)
42. \( 9(6m + 7) \)
43. \( 7(x + 4 + 6y) \)
44. \( 4(5x + 8 + 3p) \)
45. $7(x - 3)$  
46. $15(y - 6)$  
47. $-3(x - 7)$

48. $1.2(x - 2.1)$  
49. $\frac{2}{3}(b - 6)$  
50. $\frac{5}{8}(y + 16)$

51. $7.3(x - 2)$  
52. $5.6(x - 8)$  
53. $\frac{3}{5}(x - y + 10)$

54. $-\frac{2}{3}(a + b - 12)$  
55. $-9(-5x - 6y + 8)$  
56. $-7(-2x - 5y + 9)$

57. $-4(x - 3y - 2z)$  
58. $8(2x - 5y - 8z)$

59. $3.1(-1.2x + 3.2y - 1.1)$  
60. $-2.1(-4.2x - 4.3y - 2.2)$

List the terms of the expression.

61. $4x + 3z$  
62. $8x - 1.4y$  
63. $7x + 8y - 9z$  
64. $8a + 10b - 18c$

Factor. Check by multiplying.

65. $2x + 4$  
66. $5y + 20$  
67. $30 + 5y$  
68. $7x + 28$

69. $14x + 21y$  
70. $18a + 24b$  
71. $5x + 10 + 15y$  
72. $9a + 27b + 81$

73. $8x - 24$  
74. $10x - 50$  
75. $-4y + 32$  
76. $-6m + 24$
77. \(8x + 10y - 22\)  
78. \(9a + 6b - 15\)  
79. \(ax - a\)  
80. \(by - 9b\)

81. \(ax - ay - az\)  
82. \(cx + cy - cz\)  
83. \(-18x + 12y + 6\)  
84. \(-14x + 21y + 7\)

85. \(\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{5}{3}y + \frac{1}{3}\)  
86. \(\frac{3}{5}a + \frac{4}{5}b - \frac{1}{5}\)

**Collect like terms.**

87. \(9a + 10a\)  
88. \(12x + 2x\)  
89. \(10a - a\)

90. \(-16x + x\)  
91. \(2x + 9z + 6x\)  
92. \(3a - 5b + 7a\)

93. \(7x + 6y^2 + 9y^2\)  
94. \(12m^2 + 6q + 9m^2\)  
95. \(41a + 90 - 60a - 2\)

96. \(42x - 6 - 4x + 2\)  
97. \(23 + 5t + 7y - t - y - 27\)  
98. \(45 - 90d - 87 - 9d + 3 + 7d\)

99. \(\frac{1}{2}b + \frac{1}{2}b\)  
100. \(\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}x\)  
101. \(2y + \frac{1}{4}y + y\)

102. \(\frac{1}{2}a + a + 5a\)  
103. \(11x - 3x\)  
104. \(9t - 17t\)

105. \(6n - n\)  
106. \(100t - t\)  
107. \(y - 17y\)

108. \(3m - 9m + 4\)  
109. \(-8 + 11a - 5b + 6a - 7b + 7\)  
110. \(8x - 5x + 6 + 3y - 2y - 4\)
111. $9x + 2y - 5x$

112. $8y - 3z + 4y$

113. $11x + 2y - 4x - y$

114. $13a + 9b - 2a - 4b$

115. $2.7x + 2.3y - 1.9x - 1.8y$

116. $6.7a + 4.3b - 4.1a - 2.9b$

117. $\frac{13}{2}a + \frac{9}{5}b - \frac{2}{3}a - \frac{3}{10}b - 42$

118. $\frac{11}{4}x + \frac{2}{3}y - \frac{4}{5}x - \frac{1}{6}y + 12$

119. **D_W** The distributive law was introduced before the discussion on collecting like terms. Why do you think this was done?

120. **D_W** Find two algebraic expressions for the total area of this figure. Explain the equivalence of the expressions in terms of the distributive law.

![Diagram of a figure with areas 9 and 5 added together to find the total area.]

121. Evaluate $9w$ for $w = 20$. 

122. Find the absolute value: $\left| \frac{4}{15} \right|$. 

Write true or false. 

123. $-43 < -40$  

124. $-3 \geq 0$  

125. $-6 \leq -6$  

126. $0 > -4$ 

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**SYNTHESIS**

Tell whether the expressions are equivalent. Give an example if they are not.

127. $3t + 5$ and $3 \cdot 5 + t$

128. $4x$ and $x + 4$

129. $5m + 6$ and $6 + 5m$

130. $(x + y) + z$ and $z + (x + y)$

131. Factor: $q + qr + qrs + qrst$.

132. Collect like terms: $21x + 44xy + 15y - 16x - 8y - 38xy + 2y + xy$. 

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Objectives

a. Find an equivalent expression for an opposite without parentheses, where an expression has several terms.
b. Simplify expressions by removing parentheses and collecting like terms.
c. Simplify expressions with parentheses inside parentheses.
d. Simplify expressions using rules for order of operations.

Find an equivalent expression without parentheses.
1. \(- (x + 2)\)

2. \(- (5x + 2y + 8)\)

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CHAPTER 1: Introduction to Real Numbers and Algebraic Expressions

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We now expand our ability to manipulate expressions by first considering opposites of sums and differences. Then we simplify expressions involving parentheses.

Opposites of Sums

What happens when we multiply a real number by \(-1\)? Consider the following products:

\[-1(7) = -7, \quad -1(-5) = 5, \quad -1(0) = 0.\]

From these examples, it appears that when we multiply a number by \(-1\), we get the opposite, or additive inverse, of that number.

The property of \(-1\)

For any real number \(a\),

\[-1 \cdot a = -a.\]

(Negative one times \(a\) is the opposite, or additive inverse, of \(a\).)

The property of \(-1\) enables us to find certain expressions equivalent to opposites of sums.

Examples

Find an equivalent expression without parentheses.

1. \(- (3 + x) = -1(3 + x)\)
   Using the property of \(-1\)
   \[= -1 \cdot 3 + (-1)x\]
   Using a distributive law, multiplying each term by \(-1\)
   \[= -3 + (-x)\]
   Using the property of \(-1\)
   \[= -3 - x\]

2. \(- (3x + 2y + 4) = -1(3x + 2y + 4)\)
   Using the property of \(-1\)
   \[= -1(3x) + (-1)(2y) + (-1)4\]
   Using a distributive law
   \[= -3x - 2y - 4\]
   Using the property of \(-1\)

Do Exercises 1 and 2.

Suppose we want to remove parentheses in an expression like

\[-(x - 2y + 5).\]

We can first rewrite any subtractions inside the parentheses as additions. Then we take the opposite of each term:

\[-(x - 2y + 5) = -(x + (-2y) + 5)\]
   \[= -x + 2y - 5.\]

The most efficient method for removing parentheses is to replace each term in the parentheses with its opposite ("change the sign of every term"). Doing so for \(-(x - 2y + 5)\), we obtain \(-x + 2y - 5\) as an equivalent expression.
**Examples** Find an equivalent expression without parentheses.

3. \(-(5 - y) = -5 + y = y + (-5) = y - 5\) Changing the sign of each term

4. \(-(2a - 7b - 6) = -2a + 7b + 6\)

5. \(-(3x + 4y + z - 7w - 23) = 3x - 4y - z + 7w + 23\)

Do Exercises 3–6.

**Removing Parentheses and Simplifying**

When a sum is added, as in \(5x + (2x + 3)\), we can simply remove, or drop, the parentheses and collect like terms because of the associative law of addition:

\[5x + (2x + 3) = 5x + 2x + 3 = 7x + 3.\]

On the other hand, when a sum is subtracted, as in \(3x - (4x + 2)\), no "associative" law applies. However, we can subtract by adding an opposite. We then remove parentheses by changing the sign of each term inside the parentheses and collecting like terms.

**Example 6** Remove parentheses and simplify.

\[3x - (4x + 2) = 3x + \left[-(4x + 2)\right] \quad \text{Adding the opposite of } (4x + 2)\]

\[= 3x + (-4x - 2) \quad \text{Changing the sign of each term inside the parentheses}\]

\[= 3x - 4x - 2\]

\[= -x - 2 \quad \text{Collecting like terms}\]

**Caution!** Note that \(3x - (4x + 2) \neq 3x - 4x + 2\). That is, \(3x - (4x + 2)\) is not equivalent to \(3x - 4x + 2\). You cannot simply drop the parentheses.

Do Exercises 7 and 8.

In practice, the first three steps of Example 6 are usually combined by changing the sign of each term in parentheses and then collecting like terms.

**Examples** Remove parentheses and simplify.

7. \(5y - (3y + 4) = 5y - 3y - 4 \quad \text{Removing parentheses by changing the sign of every term inside the parentheses}\)

\[= 2y - 4 \quad \text{Collecting like terms}\]

8. \(3x - 2 - (5x - 8) = 3x - 2 - 5x + 8\)

\[= -2x + 6, \text{ or } 6 - 2x\]

9. \((3a + 4b - 5) - (2a - 7b + 4c - 8)\)

\[= 3a + 4b - 5 - 2a + 7b - 4c + 8\]

\[= a + 11b - 4c + 3\]

Do Exercises 9–11.

Find an equivalent expression without parentheses. Try to do this in one step.

3. \(-(6 - t)\)

4. \(-(x - y)\)

5. \(-(4a + 3t - 10)\)

6. \(-(18 - m - 2n + 4z)\)

Remove parentheses and simplify.

7. \(5x - (3x + 9)\)

8. \(5y - 2 - (2y - 4)\)

Remove parentheses and simplify.

9. \(6x - (4x + 7)\)

10. \(8y - 3 - (5y - 6)\)

11. \((2a + 3b - c) - (4a - 5b + 2c)\)

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Remove parentheses and simplify.

12. \(y - 9(x + y)\)

13. \(5a - 3(7a - 6)\)

14. \(4a - b - 6(5a - 7b + 8c)\)

15. \(5x - \frac{1}{4}(8x + 28)\)

16. \(4.6(5x - 3y) - 5.2(8x + y)\)

Simplify.

17. \(12 - (8 + 2)\)

18. \([9 - (10 - (13 + 6))]\)

19. \([24 \div (-2)] \div (-2)\)

20. \(5(3 + 4) - [8 - (5 - (9 + 6))]\)

Next, consider subtracting an expression consisting of several terms multiplied by a number other than 1 or \(-1\).

**EXAMPLE 10** Remove parentheses and simplify.

\[x - 3(x + y) = x + [-3(x + y)]\quad \text{Adding the opposite of } 3(x + y)\]
\[= x + [-3x - 3y]\quad \text{Multiplying } x + y \text{ by } -3\]
\[= x - 3x - 3y\quad \text{Collecting like terms}\]

\[= -2x - 3y\]

**EXAMPLES**Remove parentheses and simplify.

11. \(3y - 2(4y - 5) = 3y - 8y + 10 \quad \text{Multiplying each term in parentheses by } -2\)
\[= -5y + 10\]

12. \((2a + 3b - 7) - 4(-5a - 6b + 12)\)
\[= 2a + 3b - 7 + 20a + 24b - 48 = 22a + 27b - 55\]

13. \(2y - \frac{1}{3}(9y - 12) = 2y - 3y + 4 = -y + 4\)

14. \(6.4(5x - 3y) - 2.5(8x + y) = 32x - 19.2y - 20x - 2.5y = 12x - 21.7y\)

**Do Exercises 12–16.**

C Parentheses Within Parentheses

In addition to parentheses, some expressions contain other grouping symbols such as brackets [ ] and braces {}.

When more than one kind of grouping symbol occurs, do the computations in the innermost ones first. Then work from the inside out.

**EXAMPLES** Simplify.

15. \([3 - (7 + 3)] = [3 - 10] = -7\)

16. \([8 - [9 - (12 + 5)]] = [8 - [9 - 17]]\quad \text{Computing } 12 + 5\)
\[= [8 - [-8]]\quad \text{Computing } 9 - 17\]
\[= 8 + 8 = 16\]

17. \([-4 \div (-\frac{1}{4})] +\frac{1}{4} = [(-4) \cdot (-4)] +\frac{1}{4} \quad \text{Working within the brackets; computing } (-4) \div (-\frac{1}{4})\)
\[= 16 +\frac{1}{4} = 16 \cdot 4 = 64\]

18. \(4(2 + 3) - [7 - 4(8 + 5)]\)
\[= 4 \cdot 5 - [7 - 4 - 13]\quad \text{Working with the innermost parentheses first}\]
\[= 20 - [7 - (-9)]\quad \text{Computing } 4 \cdot 5 \text{ and } 4 - 13\]
\[= 20 - 16 = 4\quad \text{Computing } 7 - [-9]\]

**Do Exercises 17–20.**

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EXAMPLE 19  Simplify.

\[
[5(x + 2) - 3x] - [3(y + 2) - 7(y - 3)]
= [5x + 10 - 3x] - [3y + 6 - 7y + 21]
\]

Working with the innermost parentheses first

\[
= [2x + 10] - [-4y + 27]
\]

Collecting like terms within brackets

\[
= 2x + 10 + 4y - 27
\]

Removing brackets

\[
= 2x + 4y - 17
\]

Collecting like terms

Do Exercise 21.

\section{Order of Operations}

When several operations are to be done in a calculation or a problem, we apply the following rules.

\begin{quote}
RULES FOR ORDER OF OPERATIONS
\end{quote}

1. Do all calculations within grouping symbols before operations outside.
2. Evaluate all exponential expressions.
3. Do all multiplications and divisions in order from left to right.
4. Do all additions and subtractions in order from left to right.

These rules are consistent with the way in which most computers and scientific calculators perform calculations.

EXAMPLE 20  Simplify: \(-34 \cdot 56 - 17\).

There are no parentheses or powers, so we start with the third step.

\[
-34 \cdot 56 - 17 = -1904 - 17
\]

Doing all multiplications and divisions in order from left to right

\[
= -1921
\]

Doing all additions and subtractions in order from left to right

EXAMPLE 21  Simplify: \(25 \div (-5) + 50 \div (-2)\).

There are no calculations inside parentheses or powers. The parentheses with \((-5)\) and \((-2)\) are used only to represent the negative numbers. We begin by doing all multiplications and divisions.

\[
25 \div (-5) + 50 \div (-2)
\]

\[
= -5 + (-25)
\]

Doing all multiplications and divisions in order from left to right

\[
= -30
\]

Doing all additions and subtractions in order from left to right.

Do Exercises 22–24.

21. Simplify:

\[
[3(x + 2) + 2x] - [4(y + 2) - 3(y - 2)].
\]

Simplify.

22. \(23 - 42 \cdot 30\)

23. \(32 \div 8 \cdot 2\)

24. \(-24 \div 3 - 48 \div (-4)\)

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EXAMPLE 22 Simplify: $-2^4 + 51 \cdot 4 - (37 + 23 \cdot 2)$.

Following the rules for order of operations within the parentheses first:

- Completing the addition inside parentheses
- Evaluating exponential expressions. Note that $-2^4 \neq (-2)^4$.
- Doing all multiplications
- Doing all additions and subtractions in order from left to right

$$
-2^4 + 51 \cdot 4 - (37 + 23 \cdot 2) \\
= -2^4 + 51 \cdot 4 - (37 + 46) \\
= -2^4 + 51 \cdot 4 - 83 \\
= -16 + 51 \cdot 4 - 83 \\
= -16 + 204 - 83 \\
= 188 - 83 \\
= 105
$$

CALCULATOR CORNER

Order of Operations and Grouping Symbols Parentheses are necessary in some calculations in order to ensure that operations are performed in the desired order. To simplify $-5(3 - 6) - 12$, we press $5 \text{ F } 3 - 6 - 12 \text{ ENTER}$. The result is 3. Without parentheses, the computation is $-5 \cdot 3 - 6 - 12$, and the result is $-33$.

When a negative number is raised to an even power, parentheses must also be used. To find $(-3)^4$, we press $-3 \text{ F } 4 \text{ ENTER}$. The result is 81. Without parentheses, the computation is $-3^4 = -1 \cdot 3^4 = -1 \cdot 81 = -81$.

To simplify an expression like $\frac{49 - 104}{7 + 4}$, we must enter it as $(49 - 104) \div (7 + 4)$. We press $4 \text{ F } 9 \text{ - } 104 \text{ F } 7 + 4 \text{ ENTER}$. The result is $-5$.

Exercises: Calculate.

1. $-8 + 4(7 - 9) + 5$
2. $-3[2 + (-5)]$
3. $7[4 - (-3)] + 5[3^2 - (-4)]$
4. $(-7)^6$
5. $(-17)^5$
6. $(-104)^3$
7. $-7^6$
8. $-17^5$
9. $-104^3$
10. $\frac{38 - 178}{5 + 30}$
11. $\frac{311 - 17^2}{2 - 13}$
12. $\frac{785 - 285 - 5^4}{17 + 3 \cdot 51}$
A fraction bar can play the role of a grouping symbol, although such a symbol is not as evident as the others.

**EXAMPLE 23** Simplify: \( \frac{-64 \div (-16) \div (-2)}{2^3 - 3^2} \).

An equivalent expression with brackets as grouping symbols is \([ -64 \div (-16) \div (-2) ] \div [2^3 - 3^2]\).

This shows, in effect, that we do the calculations in the numerator and then in the denominator, and divide the results:

\[
\frac{-64 \div (-16) \div (-2)}{2^3 - 3^2} = \frac{4 \div (-2)}{8 - 9} = \frac{-2}{-1} = 2.
\]

*Do Exercises 25 and 26.*

Simplify:

25. \(-4^3 + 52 \cdot 5 + 5^3 - (4^2 - 48 \div 4)\)

26. \(\frac{5 - 10 - 5 \cdot 23}{2^3 + 3^2 - 7}\)

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**Study Tips**

**TEST PREPARATION**

- **Make up your own test questions as you study.** After you have done your homework over a particular objective, write one or two questions on your own that you think might be on a test. You will be amazed at the insight this will provide.

- **Do an overall review of the chapter, focusing on the objectives and the examples.** This should be accompanied by a study of any class notes you may have taken.

- **Do the review exercises at the end of the chapter.** Check your answers at the back of the book. If you have trouble with an exercise, use the objective symbol as a guide to go back and do further study of that objective.

- **Call the AW Math Tutor Center if you need extra help at 1-888-777-0463.**

- **Do the chapter test at the end of the chapter.** Check the answers and use the objective symbols at the back of the book as a reference for where to review.

- **Ask former students for old exams.** Working such exams can be very helpful and allows you to see what various professors think is important.

- **When taking a test, read each question carefully and try to do all the questions the first time through, but pace yourself.** Answer all the questions, and mark those to recheck if you have time at the end. Very often, your first hunch will be correct.

- **Try to write your test in a neat and orderly manner.** Very often, your instructor tries to give you partial credit when grading an exam. If your test paper is sloppy and disorderly, it is difficult to verify the partial credit. Doing your work neatly can ease such a task for the instructor.
Find an equivalent expression without parentheses.

1. \(- (2x + 7)\)
2. \(- (8x + 4)\)
3. \(- (8 - x)\)
4. \(- (a - b)\)
5. \(- (4a - 3b + 7c)\)
6. \(- (x - 4y - 3z)\)
7. \(- (6x - 8y + 5)\)
8. \(- (4x + 9y + 7)\)
9. \(- (3x - 5y - 6)\)
10. \(- (6a - 4b - 7)\)
11. \(- (-8x - 6y - 43)\)
12. \(- (-2a + 9b - 5c)\)

Remove parentheses and simplify.

13. \(9x - (4x + 3)\)
14. \(4y - (2y + 5)\)
15. \(2a - (5a - 9)\)
16. \(12m - (4m - 6)\)
17. \(2x + 7x - (4x + 6)\)
18. \(3a + 2a - (4a + 7)\)
19. \(2x - 4y - 3(7x - 2y)\)
20. \(3a - 9b - 1(4a - 8b)\)
21. \(15x - y - 5(3x - 2y + 5z)\)
22. \(4a - b - 4(5a - 7b + 8c)\)
23. \((3x + 2y) - 2(5x - 4y)\)
24. \((-6a - b) - 5(2b + a)\)
25. \((12a - 3b + 5c) - 5(-5a + 4b - 6c)\)
26. \((-8x + 5y - 12) - 6(2x - 4y - 10)\)
C  Simplify.

27. \([9 - 2(5 - 4)]\)  
28. \([6 - 5(8 - 4)]\)  
29. \(8[7 - 6(4 - 2)]\)  
30. \(10[7 - 4(7 - 5)]\)

31. \([4(9 - 6) + 11] - [14 - (6 + 4)]\)  
32. \([7(8 - 4) + 16] - [15 - (7 + 8)]\)

33. \([10(x + 3) - 4] + [2(x - 1) + 6]\)  
34. \([9(x + 5) - 7] + [4(x - 12) + 9]\)

35. \([7(x + 5) - 19] - [4(x - 6) + 10]\)  
36. \([6(x + 4) - 12] - [5(x - 8) + 14]\)

37. \(3[7(x - 2) + 4] - [2(2x - 5) + 6]\)  
38. \(4[8(x - 3) + 9] - [4(3x - 2) + 6]\)

39. \(4[5(x - 3) + 2] - 3[2(x + 5) - 9]\)  
40. \(3[6(x - 4) + 5] - 2[5(x + 8) - 3]\)

D  Simplify.

41. \(8 - 2 \cdot 3 - 9\)  
42. \(8 - (2 \cdot 3 - 9)\)  
43. \((8 - 2 \cdot 3) - 9\)  
44. \((8 - 2)(3 - 9)\)

45. \([(-24) ÷ (-3)] ÷ \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\)  
46. \([32 ÷ (-2)] ÷ \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)\)

47. \(16 \cdot (-24) + 50\)  
48. \(10 \cdot 20 - 15 \cdot 24\)
49. \(2^4 + 2^3 - 10\)  
50. \(40 - 3^2 - 2^3\)  
51. \(5^3 + 26 \cdot 71 - (16 + 25 \cdot 3)\)

52. \(4^3 + 10 \cdot 20 + 8^2 - 23\)  
53. \(4 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 6 + 4\)  
54. \(4 \cdot (6 + 8)/(4 + 3)\)

55. \(4^3/8\)  
56. \(5^3 - 7^2\)  
57. \(8(-7) + 6(-5)\)

58. \(10(-5) + 1(-1)\)  
59. \(19 - 5(-3) + 3\)  
60. \(14 - 2(-6) + 7\)

61. \(9 \div (-3) + 16 \div 8\)  
62. \(-32 - 8 \div 4 - (-2)\)  
63. \(-4^2 + 6\)

64. \(-5^2 + 7\)  
65. \(-8^2 - 3\)  
66. \(-9^2 - 11\)

67. \(12 - 20^3\)  
68. \(20 + 4^3 \div (-8)\)  
69. \(2 \cdot 10^3 - 5000\)

70. \(-7(3^4) + 18\)  
71. \(6[9 - (3 - 4)]\)  
72. \(8[(6 - 13) - 11]\)

73. \(-1000 \div (-100) \div 10\)  
74. \(256 \div (-32) \div (-4)\)  
75. \(8 - (7 - 9)\)

76. \((8 - 7) - 9\)  
77. \(10 - 6^2\)  
78. \(\frac{5^3 - 4^3 - 3}{9^2 - 2^2 - 1^3}\)

79. \(\frac{3(6 - 7) - 5 \cdot 4}{6 \cdot 7 - 8(4 - 1)}\)  
80. \(\frac{20(8 - 3) - 4(10 - 3)}{10(2 - 6) - 2(5 + 2)}\)
81. \[
\frac{|2^3 - 3|^2 + |12 \cdot 5|}{-32 + (-16) + (-4)}
\]
82. \[
\frac{|3 - 5|^2 - |7 - 13|}{|12 - 9| + |11 - 14|}
\]
83. D_W Take keys in 18/2 : 3 on his calculator and expects the result to be 3. What mistake is he making? Determine whether \(|-x|\) and \(|x|\) are equivalent. Explain.

**SKILL MAINTENANCE**

**VOCABULARY REINFORCEMENT**

In each of Exercises 85–92, fill in the blank with the correct term from the given list. Some of the choices may not be used and some may be used more than once.

85. The set of \(\ldots -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots\). \([1.2a]\)

86. Two numbers whose sum is 0 are called \(\ldots\). \([1.3b]\)

87. The \(\ldots\) of addition says that \(a + b = b + a\) for any real numbers \(a\) and \(b\). \([1.7b]\)

88. The \(\ldots\) states that for any real number \(a\), \(a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a\). \([1.7a]\)

89. The \(\ldots\) of addition says that \(a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c\) for any real numbers \(a\), \(b\), and \(c\). \([1.7b]\)

90. The \(\ldots\) of multiplication says that \(a(bc) = (ab)c\) for any real numbers \(a\), \(b\), and \(c\). \([1.7b]\)

91. Two numbers whose product is 1 are called \(\ldots\). \([1.6b]\)

92. The equation \(y + 0 = y\) illustrates the \(\ldots\). \([1.7a]\)

**SYNTHESIS**

Find an equivalent expression by enclosing the last three terms in parentheses preceded by a minus sign.

93. \(6y + 2x - 3a + c\) \hspace{1cm} 94. \(x - y - a - b\) \hspace{1cm} 95. \(6m + 3n - 5m + 4b\)

Simplify.

96. \(z - (2z - [3z - (4z - 5z - 6z] - 7z) - 8z\)

97. \(\{x - [f - (f - x)] + [x - f]\} - 3x\)

98. \(x - \{x - 1 - \{x - 2 - \{x - 3 - \{x - 4 - [x - 5 - (x - 6)]\}\}\}\}

99. Use your calculator to do the following.

a) Evaluate \(x^2 + 3\) when \(x = 7\), when \(x = -7\), and when \(x = -5.013\).

b) Evaluate \(1 - x^2\) when \(x = 5\), when \(x = -5\), and when \(x = -10.455\).

Find the average.

101. \(-15, 20, 50, -82, -7, -2\) \hspace{1cm} 102. \(-1, 1, 2, -2, 3, -8, -10\)

Exercise Set 1.8
The review that follows is meant to prepare you for a chapter exam. It consists of three parts. The first part, Concept Reinforcement, is designed to increase understanding of the concepts through true/false exercises. The second part is a list of important properties and formulas. The third part is the Review Exercises. These provide practice exercises for the exam, together with references to section objectives so you can go back and review. Before beginning, stop and look back over the skills you have obtained. What skills in mathematics do you have now that you did not have before studying this chapter?

> **CONCEPT REINFORCEMENT**

Determine whether the statement is true or false. Answers are given at the back of the book.

1. The set of whole numbers is a subset of the set of integers.
2. All rational numbers can be named using fraction or decimal notation.
3. The product of an even number of negative numbers is negative.
4. The operation of subtraction is not commutative.
5. The product of a number and its multiplicative inverse is $-1$.
6. Decimal notation for irrational numbers neither repeats nor terminates.
7. $a < b$ also has the meaning $b \geq a$.

> **IMPORTANT PROPERTIES AND FORMULAS**

Properties of the Real-Number System

- **The Commutative Laws**: $a + b = b + a$, $ab = ba$
- **The Associative Laws**: $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$, $(ab)c = a(bc)$
- **The Identity Properties**: $a + 0 = a$, $a \cdot 1 = a$
- **The Inverse Properties**: For any real number $a$, there is an opposite $-a$ such that $a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0$.
  
  For any nonzero real number $a$, there is a reciprocal $\frac{1}{a}$ such that $a \cdot \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{a} \cdot a = 1$.
- **The Distributive Laws**: $a(b + c) = ab + ac$, $ab - c = ab - ac$

> **Review Exercises**

The review exercises that follow are for practice. Answers are at the back of the book. If you miss an exercise, restudy the objective indicated in red after the exercise or the direction line that precedes it.

1. Evaluate $\frac{x - y}{3}$ when $x = 17$ and $y = 5$. [1.1a]
2. Translate to an algebraic expression: Nineteen percent of some number. [1.1b]
3. Tell which integers correspond to this situation: [1.2a]
   David has a debt of $45 and Joe has $72 in his savings account.
4. Find: $| -38 |$. [1.2e]
Graph the number on a number line. [1.2b]

5. \(-2.5\) \hspace{1cm} 6. \(\frac{8}{9}\)

Use either \(<\) or \(>\) for \(\square\) to write a true sentence. [1.2d]

7. \(-3\) \hspace{0.5cm} 8. \(-1\)

9. \(0.126\) \hspace{0.5cm} 10. \(-\frac{2}{3}\)

Find the opposite. [1.3b]

11. \(3.8\) \hspace{0.5cm} 12. \(-\frac{3}{4}\)

Find the reciprocal. [1.6b]

13. \(\frac{3}{8}\) \hspace{0.5cm} 14. \((-7)\)

15. Evaluate \(-x\) when \(x = -34\). [1.3b]

16. Evaluate \(-(-x)\) when \(x = 5\). [1.3b]

Compute and simplify.

17. \(4 + (-7)\) [1.3a]

18. \(6 + (-9) + (-8) + 7\) [1.3a]

19. \(-3.8 + 5.1 + (-12) + (-4.3) + 10\) [1.3a]

20. \(-3 - (-7) + 7 - 10\) [1.4a]

21. \(\frac{9}{10} \div \frac{1}{2}\) [1.4a]

22. \(-3.8 - 4.1\) [1.4a]

23. \(-9 \cdot (-6)\) [1.5a]

24. \(-2.7(3.4)\) [1.5a]

25. \(\frac{2}{3} \left( -\frac{3}{7} \right)\) [1.5a]

26. \(3 \cdot (-7) \cdot (-2) \cdot (-5)\) [1.5a]

27. \(35 \div (-5)\) [1.6a]

28. \(-5.1 + 1.7\) [1.6c]

29. \(-\frac{3}{11} + \left( -\frac{4}{11} \right)\) [1.6c]

Simplify. [1.8d]

30. \((-3.4 - 12.2) - 8(-7)\)

31. \(-12(-3) - 2^3 - (-9)(-10)\)

32. \(-16 \div 4 - 30 \div (-5)\)

33. \(\frac{5(7 - 14) - 13}{(-2) - 4}\)

Solve.

34. On the first, second, and third downs, a football team had these gains and losses: 5-yd gain, 12-yd loss, and 15-yd gain, respectively. Find the total gain (or loss). [1.3c]

35. Kaleb’s total assets are $170. He borrows $300. What are his total assets now? [1.4b]
36. **Stock Price.** The value of EFX Corp. stock began the day at $17.68 per share and dropped $1.63 per hour for 8 hr. What was the price of the stock after 8 hr? \[1.5b\]

37. **Checking Account Balance.** Yuri had $68 in his checking account. After writing checks to make seven purchases of DVDs at the same price for each, the balance in his account was \(-$64.65\). What was the price of each DVD? \[1.6d\]

Multiply. \[1.7c\]

38. \(5(3x - 7)\) \hspace{1cm} 39. \(-2(4x - 5)\)

40. \(10(0.4x + 1.5)\) \hspace{1cm} 41. \(-8(3 - 6x)\)

Factor. \[1.7d\]

42. \(2x - 14\) \hspace{1cm} 43. \(-6x + 6\)

44. \(5x + 10\) \hspace{1cm} 45. \(-3x + 12y - 12\)

Collect like terms. \[1.7e\]

46. \(11a + 2b - 4a - 5b\)

47. \(7x - 3y - 9x + 8y\)

48. \(6x + 3y - x - 4y\)

49. \(-3a + 9b + 2a - b\)

Remove parentheses and simplify. \[1.8b\]

50. \(2a - (5a - 9)\)

51. \(3(b + 7) - 5b\)

52. \(3[11 - 3(4 - 1)]\) \[1.8c\]

53. \(2(6y - 4) + 7\) \[1.8c\]

54. \([8(x + 4) - 10] - [3(x - 2) + 4]\) \[1.8c\]

55. \([6(x - 1) + 7] - [3(3x - 4) + 8]\) \[1.8c\]

Answer True or False. \[1.2d\]

56. \(-9 \leq 11\)

57. \(-11 \geq -3\)

58. Write another inequality with the same meaning as \(-3 < x\). \[1.2d\]

59. \(\text{Dw}\) Explain the notion of the opposite of a number in as many ways as possible. \[1.3b\]

60. \(\text{Dw}\) Is the absolute value of a number always positive? Why or why not? \[1.2e\]

**SYNTHESIS**

Simplify. \[1.2e, \, 1.4a, \, 1.6a, \, 1.8d\]

61. \(-\frac{7}{8} - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{3}{4}\)

62. \((2.7 - 3) + 3^2 - | -3 | \div (-3)\)

63. \(2000 - 1990 + 1980 - 1970 + \cdots + 20 - 10\)

64. Find a formula for the perimeter of the following figure. \[1.7e\]
1. Evaluate \( \frac{3x}{y} \) when \( x = 10 \) and \( y = 5 \).

2. Write an algebraic expression: Nine less than some number.

3. Find the area of a triangle when the height \( h \) is 30 ft and the base \( b \) is 16 ft.

Use either \( < \) or \( > \) for \( \square \) to write a true sentence.

4. \( -4 \square 0 \)
5. \( -3 \square -8 \)
6. \( -0.78 \square -0.87 \)
7. \( \frac{1}{8} \square \frac{1}{2} \)

Find the absolute value.

8. \( |{-7}| \)
9. \( \frac{9}{4} \)
10. \( |{-2.7}| \)

Find the opposite.

11. \( \frac{2}{3} \)
12. \( -1.4 \)

13. Evaluate \( -x \) when \( x = -8 \).

Find the reciprocal.

14. \( -2 \)
15. \( \frac{4}{7} \)

Compute and simplify.

16. \( 3.1 - (-4.7) \)
17. \( -8 + 4 + (-7) + 3 \)
18. \( -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{8} \)

19. \( 2 - (-8) \)
20. \( 3.2 - 5.7 \)
21. \( \frac{1}{8} - \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right) \)

22. \( 4 \cdot (-12) \)
23. \( -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \left( -\frac{3}{8} \right) \)
24. \( -45 \div 5 \)

25. \( \frac{-3}{5} \div \left( -\frac{4}{5} \right) \)
26. \( 4.864 \div (-0.5) \)

27. \( -2(16) - |2(-8) - 5^3| \)
28. \( -20 \div (-5) + 36 \div (-4) \)
29. **Antarctica Highs and Lows.** The continent of Antarctica, which lies in the southern hemisphere, experiences winter in July. The average high temperature is \(-67^\circ F\) and the average low temperature is \(-81^\circ F\). How much higher is the average high than the average low?

Source: National Climatic Data Center

30. Maureen is a stockbroker. She kept track of the changes in the stock market over a period of 5 weeks. By how many points had the market risen or fallen over this time?

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31. **Population Decrease.** The population of a city was 18,600. It dropped 420 each year for 6 yr. What was the population of the city after 6 yr?

32. **Chemical Experiment.** During a chemical reaction, the temperature in the beaker decreased every minute by the same number of degrees. The temperature was \(16^\circ C\) at 11:08 A.M. By 11:43 A.M., the temperature had dropped to \(-17^\circ C\). By how many degrees did it drop each minute?

Multiply.

33. \(3(6 - x)\)

34. \(-5(y - 1)\)

Factor.

35. \(12 - 22x\)

36. \(7x + 21 + 14y\)

Simplify.

37. \(6 + 7 - 4 - (-3)\)

38. \(5x - (3x - 7)\)

39. \(4(2a - 3b) + a - 7\)

40. \(4[3(5(y - 3) + 9) + 2(y + 8)]\)

41. \(256 \div (-16) \div 4\)

42. \(2^3 - 10[4 - (-2 + 18)]\)

43. Write an inequality with the same meaning as \(x \leq -2\).

**SYNTHESIS**

Simplify.

44. \(-27 - 3(4) - |36| + |-12|\)

45. \(a - [3a - (4a - (2a - 4a))]\)

46. Find a formula for the perimeter of the figure shown here.