

MPM1DO: PERSONAL PREREQUISITE PROFILE

Name: _____

Legend	0	1	2	3	4	5
	WTF? I don't have a clue.	I have a very vague idea and very often get stuck.	I have a somewhat vague idea and often get stuck.	I understand reasonably well but often make mistakes.	I understand very well but sometimes make mistakes	I understand fully and rarely make mistakes

Complete the following table.

What I Understand and Can Do	Show what I Understand and Can Do	Example of how this Relates to the "Real World"
I know what an <i>integer</i> is. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can <i>add</i> and <i>subtract</i> one-digit integers <i>without</i> the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can <i>multiply</i> one-digit integers <i>without</i> the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can <i>divide</i> one-digit integers <i>without</i> the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I know what a <i>fraction</i> is. 0 1 2 3 4 5		

What I Understand and Can Do	Show what I Understand and Can Do	Example of how this Relates to the "Real World"
I can add and subtract fractions without the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can multiply fractions without the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can divide fractions without the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I can convert between mixed fraction (mixed number) and improper forms without the use of a calculator. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I understand that mathematical operations must be applied in a specific, standard order (often called BEDMAS) unless parentheses (brackets) are used. 0 1 2 3 4 5		
I understand the meaning of percentage and can apply what I understand to simple problems such as calculating sales tax. 0 1 2 3 4 5		

MULTIPLY YOUR KNOWLEDGE BY ADDING MEANING TO MATHEMATICS

Examples

1. Why is *division by zero undefined*?

$$100 \div 20$$

MEANS

“How many groups of 20 can be formed from 100 objects?”

Since 5 groups of 20 can be formed, the answer is 5.

$$100 \div \frac{1}{2}$$

MEANS

“How many groups of $\frac{1}{2}$ can be formed from 100 objects?”

Since 200 groups of $\frac{1}{2}$ can be formed, the answer is 200.

$$100 \div 0$$

MEANS

“How many groups of 0 can be formed from 100 objects?”

Any number of groups of zero will always add up to zero! Clearly then, it is *impossible* to make 100, or any other value for that matter, from groups of zero! Thus, we say that division by zero is *undefined*.

LANGUAGE
HAS
MEANING!



MATH IS A
LANGUAGE!



THEREFORE,
MATH HAS
MEANING!

2. Explain why $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$ *cannot possibly be equal to* $\frac{2}{5}$.

	+		$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$
=	+		$= \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6}$
=			$= \frac{5}{6}$

The diagrams at the right clearly show that $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$ must equal $\frac{5}{6}$! Even without the diagrams, we could *reason* that $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}$ must be *greater than* $\frac{1}{2}$ but $\frac{2}{5}$ is obviously *less than* $\frac{1}{2}$!

Definition of “Undefined”

Whenever mathematicians *cannot find a way to give a meaning* to a mathematical term, operation or other mathematical concept, they say that it is *undefined*.

Exercises

Complete the following table.

<i>Mathematical Expression</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Picture</i>	<i>Evaluate the Expression</i>
$-3+5$			
$-3+1$			
$-3-5$			
$-3-(-5)$			
$-3+(-5)$			
$-3-(+5)$			
$\frac{7}{5}-\frac{3}{10}$			
$\frac{7}{15}-\frac{3}{10}$			
$10\div 0.1$			
$10\div 0$			

MPM1DO – FILLING IN THE GAPS

1. Draw a number line. Label all *integers* from -10 to 10 inclusive.

2. *Evaluate* each of the following expressions *without* using a calculator.

(a) $-3 + 5$

(b) $-3 - 5$

(c) $-3 + (-5)$

(d) $-3 - (-5)$

(e) $-3 + 5 - 6 + 1$

(f) $-3 - 5 - 6 + 1$

(g) $-3 - (-5) + (-6) + 1$

(h) $3 + (-5) + (-6) - (-1)$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the *expressions* in question 2.

3. *Evaluate* each of the following expressions *without* using a calculator.

(a) $-3(5)$

(b) $-3(+5)$

(c) $-3(-5)$

(d) $3(-5)$

(e) $-3(5)(-6)(1)$

(f) $-3(5)(-6)(-1)$

(g) $3(5)(6)(-1)$

(h) $-3(-5)(-6)(-1)$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the *expressions* in question 3.

4. *Evaluate* each of the following expressions *without* using a calculator.

(a) $\frac{36}{-12}$

(b) $\frac{-36}{-12}$

(c) $\frac{+49}{+7}$

(d) $\frac{-64}{16}$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the *expressions* in question 4.

5. Draw diagrams to represent each of the following fractions.

(a) $\frac{3}{5}$

(b) $\frac{5}{3}$

(c) $2\frac{9}{10}$

(d) $\frac{6}{2}$

6. *Evaluate* each of the following *expressions*.

(a) $\frac{3}{5} - \frac{2}{5}$

(b) $\frac{-5}{3} + \frac{5}{6}$

(c) $-\frac{5}{14} + \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

(d) $-\frac{5}{14} - \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the expressions in question 5.

7. *Evaluate* each of the following *expressions*.

(a) $\frac{3}{5} \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)$

(b) $\frac{-5}{3} \left(+\frac{5}{6}\right)$

(c) $-\frac{5}{14} \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

(d) $\frac{5}{14} \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the expressions in question 7.

8. *Evaluate* each of the following *expressions*.

(a) $\frac{3}{5} \div \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)$

(b) $\frac{-5}{3} \div \left(+\frac{5}{6}\right)$

(c) $-\frac{5}{14} \div \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

(d) $\frac{5}{14} \div \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)$

Explain the general principle(s) that you used to evaluate each of the expressions in question 7.

1 2 3 4
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Division/Multiplication - tied, left-to-right
Addition/Subtraction - tied, left-to-right

Terms are separated by
+ and - signs.

Separate each expression
into terms. Then apply the
operations in the correct
order.

+(+) add a positive: GAIN
-(-) subtract a negative: GAIN

+(-) add a negative: LOSS
-(+) subtract a positive: LOSS

Gains more than losses: + answer
Losses more than gains: - answer

Rule for Determining the Sign
of the Answer when
Multiplying and Dividing

Two Numbers
Signs Same: + answer
Signs Different: - answer

More than Two Numbers
Even # of Negatives: + answer
Odd # of Negatives: - answer

Adding/Subtracting Fractions

- Express each fraction with a common denominator.
- Add/subtract the numerators.
- Keep the denominator!
- If possible, reduce to lowest terms.

$$\frac{3}{10} + \frac{8}{15} = \frac{9}{30} + \frac{16}{30} = \frac{25}{30} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Multiplying Fractions

- Multiply the numerators and multiply the denominators.
 - If possible, reduce to lowest terms.
- OR**
- Reduce first (vertically and diagonally).
 - Multiply the numerators and multiply the denominators.

$$\frac{3}{10} \left(\frac{8}{15} \right) = \frac{24}{150} = \frac{4}{25} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{3}}}{\underset{5}{\cancel{10}}} \left(\frac{\overset{4}{\cancel{8}}}{\underset{5}{\cancel{15}}} \right) = \frac{4}{25}$$

Dividing Fractions

- Do not** change the 1st fraction.
- Change $\div$ to $\times$.
- Find the reciprocal of the 2nd fraction (i.e. “**flip**”).
- Summary:** Multiply by the reciprocal (i.e. “flip ‘n multiply”)

$$\frac{3}{10} \div \frac{8}{15} = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{15}{8} = \frac{45}{80} = \frac{9}{16}$$

9. **Evaluate** each of the following **expressions**. (The rules for working with integers and fractions are summarized above.)

(a) $-20 \div (-4 - (-8))$

(b) $-20 - 4(-8)^2$

(c) $-20 + (-4 - (-2)^3)$

(d) $2(-7) - \frac{10}{2^2 - 3^2} + 2(-3)^4$

(e) $-3[-2 + 2(6) - 4(3)^3]^4$

(f) $\frac{-10 + 5(-3)}{[2 - (-3)]^2}$

$$(g) -\frac{5}{14} + \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)\left(\frac{7}{-4}\right)$$

$$(h) -\frac{5}{3} \div \frac{10}{9} + \left(-\frac{8}{21}\right)\left(\frac{3}{-4}\right)^2$$

$$(i) \frac{-10 + 5(-3)}{[2 - (-3)]^2} - \left(\frac{-5}{3}\right)\left(+\frac{5}{6}\right)$$

10. **Simplify** each of the following **expressions**.

$$(a) 6a + 7b - 9a + 4b$$

$$(b) -6a + 7b - 9a - 4b$$

$$(c) -6a - 7b - 9a - 4b$$

$$(d) -n^2 - 7n - 9n^2 + 4n$$

$$(e) -n^2 - 7n - 9m^2 + 4m$$

$$(f) -11x^2y - 7y + 9x^2y + 6y$$

11. **Substitute** the given values into each of the following **expressions**.

$$(a) -3a + 11b, \quad a = -5, \quad b = -2$$

$$(b) -10n^2 - 3n, \quad n = -5$$

$$(c) -2x^2y - y, \quad x = -3, \quad y = -10$$

12. **Solve** each of the following **equations**.

$$(a) -3a + 7 = 13$$

$$(b) 5x - 14 = 13$$

$$(c) \frac{y}{6} - 4 = 3$$

add: sum, plus, increased by, more than, greater than, total of
 subtract: difference, minus, decreased by, less than
 multiply: product, times, of, double (x2), twice (x2), triple (x3)
 divide: quotient, ratio of

13. Write each of the following as an *algebraic expression*. 14. Write each of the following as a *verbal expression*.

(a) The difference of a number and 5: _____

(b) A number increased by 3: _____

(c) The quotient of a number and 7: _____

(d) The product of a number and 5: _____

(e) A number decreased by 3: _____

(f) The sum of a number and 9: _____

(a) $\frac{x}{2}$: _____

(b) q^2 : _____

(c) $n - 14$: _____

(d) $3z$: _____

(e) s^3 : _____

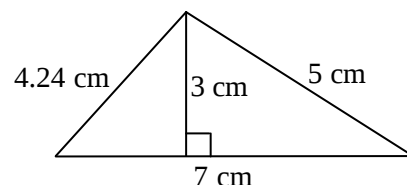
(f) $14 - s$: _____

15. *Solve* each problem by writing and solving an *equation*.

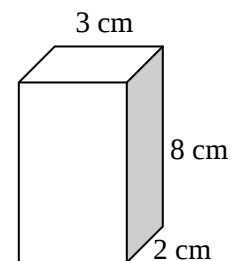
(a) The sum of three consecutive integers is 6142. Find the integers.

(b) Bhav has a pocket-full of nickels and pennies to pay for lunch. If the total number of coins is 103 and their total value is \$3.99, how many of each coin does he have?

16. Find the *perimeter* and *area* of the triangle shown at the right.

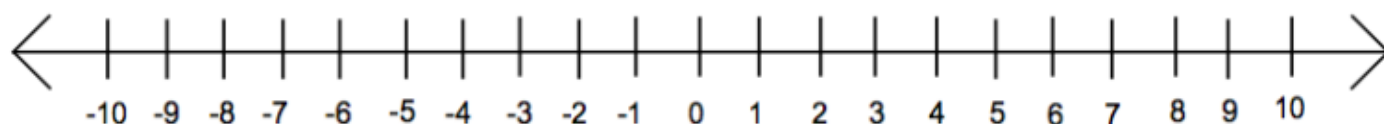


17. Find the **surface area** and **volume** of the given rectangular prism.



18. Use the given number line to arrange the following numbers in order from smallest to largest.

8.3, -2.9, 0.05, 6.4, -0.8, -2.2, -8.3, 0.5



19. An extraterrestrial being is seeking your help in learning how to use the human number system. He/she/it asks you to explain the meaning of the numbers $2\frac{4}{7}$ and 9.637.

Draw diagrams to help the extraterrestrial understand our number system.



WTF? Humans use a very strange number system.