## Lesson 1 - Negative Numbers, PEMDAS, LCM, Fractions

## Comparing Negative Numbers

 a number to the right. Which is larger: $\mathbf{- 2}$ or -5 ?

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-2 \frac{1}{2} \text { or }-23 / 4 \text { ? }
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Position yourself at the first number. Then use the second number to go left or right. What is $2-5$ ? THINK MONEY: If you had $\$ 2$, and owed someone $\$ 5$, and gave them What is $-2-5$ ? what you had, how much would you still owe?

Remember these two rules:

* Adding a negative number is the same as subtracting. $\quad 5+-2=5-2$
* Subtracting a negative number is the same as adding. $\quad 5--2=5+2$

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\text { What is } 2+-5 ? \quad 2--5 ? \quad-2--5 ?
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A positive multiplied by or divided by a negative is negative. $\quad 3 \cdot-2=-6 \quad 20 \div-4=-5$ A negative multiplied by or divided by a negative is positive. $-3 \cdot-2=6 \quad-20 \div-4=5$ What is $4 \cdot-3$ ? $-4 \cdot-3$ ? $15 \div-3$ ? $-15 \div-3$ ?

PEMDAS

$$
4 \times 4-3 \times 3-16 \div 4
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4-3[4-2(6-3)] \div 2
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3 \times 6+5-(4-2)-1
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\left(6-\left(3+1^{2}\right)\right)(1+3)
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$(14 \div 2)^{2}+\left((18-6)+3^{2}\right)$
Theresa bought three containers of tennis balls at $\$ 2.98$ each. She had a coupon for $\$ 1$ off. Her mom paid for half of the remaining cost.
(1) Create an expression to represent this situation.
(2) How much did her mom pay?

Using PEMDAS, which is the last operation you should perform to evaluate this expression?
$(1 \cdot 2.5)+(52 \div 13)+(5-6.7)^{2}-(98+8)$
Enter these on your calculator.
Least Common Multiple (LCM): The smallest positive number that is a multiple of two or more numbers.
When it's used to add or subtract fractions, it's called the Least Common Denominator (LCD).

## Least Common Multiple of 3 and 5 :

What's the LCM of 4 and 12 ?

- List the Multiples of each number,

Of 4 and 10 ?
The multiples of $\mathbf{3}$ are $3,6,9,12,15,18, \ldots$ etc
The multiples of 5 are $5,10,15,20,25, \ldots$ etc

- Find the first Common (same) value:

The Least Common Multiple of 3 and 5 is $\mathbf{1 5}$
Of 4 and 6?

Of 10 and 12 ?
( 15 is a common multiple of 3 and 5 , and is the smallest, or least, common multiple )
Of 8 and 9 ?

Out of the 4 operations for fractions, multiplication is the simplest.
Just multiply numerator times numerator, over denominator times denominator.

## ALWAYS REDUCE

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\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{5}=\frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 5}=\frac{2}{10} \times 5 \quad \text { Make } 5 \text { into } \frac{2}{1}: \quad \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{5}{1}=\frac{2 \times 5}{3 \times 1}=\frac{10}{3}
$$

This is the same as: What is one-half of two-fifths? ("OF" means Multiplication)
$\frac{3}{4}$ of 12
$\frac{8}{9}$ of $81 \quad \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{3}$
$\frac{7}{8} \cdot \frac{7}{8}$
$\frac{9}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{9}$
$\frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{15}$

## Cross-Simplify

Adding or subtracting fractions when the denominator is the same: Add or subtract the numerator.

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\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}=\frac{1+1}{4}=\frac{2}{4} \quad \frac{7}{8}-\frac{3}{8} \quad \frac{3}{8}-\frac{7}{8}
$$

## Adding or subtracting fractions when the denominator is NOT the same:

1) Find the LCM
2) Make that the new denominator for both. Convert both so they use that.
3) Add or subtract like before.

Example: $\frac{1}{3}+\frac{1}{5}$

1) The LCM is 15
2) They become: $\frac{?}{15}+\frac{?}{15}$
3) For the first: $\frac{1}{3}=\frac{?}{15} \quad 3$ times what is 15 ? 5 . So multiply top and bottom by 5 to get $\frac{5}{15}$

For the second: $\frac{1}{5}=\frac{?}{15} \quad 5$ times what is 15 ? 3 . So multiply top and bottom by 3 to get $\frac{3}{15}$
4) Add them: $\frac{5}{15}+\frac{3}{15}=\frac{8}{15}$
$\frac{5}{6}+\frac{1}{12}$

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\frac{1}{2}+\frac{3}{8}
$$

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\frac{2}{3}+\frac{3}{8}
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$$
\frac{3}{4}+\frac{2}{9}
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Keep the first fraction

## Dividing fractions: Change it from a division to a multiplication

Flip the second fraction (into the reciprocal)

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\begin{array}{ll}
\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{6}=\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{6}{1}=\frac{1 \times 6}{2 \times 1}=\frac{6}{2} \\
\frac{2}{3} \div 5 & \text { Make } 5 \text { into } \frac{5}{1}: \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{5}=\frac{2 \times 1}{3 \times 5}=\frac{2}{15}
\end{array}
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Greatest Common Factor (GCF): The highest number that divides exactly into two or more numbers.

| Greatest Common Factor of 12 and 16 | Factors of 12: (1) (2) 3, (4) 6, 12 | What's the GCF of... $12,30$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Find all the Factors of each number, <br> - Circle the Common factors, |  | 45, 75 |
| - Choose the Greatest of those | (4) is the Greatest Common Factor | 56, 63, 81 |

The GCF is useful in reducing (simplifying) fractions. Once you've found it, divide both the numerator and denominator by that.

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\text { Example: How can we simplify } \frac{\mathbf{1 2}}{\mathbf{3 0}} \text { ? }
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The GCF of 12 and 30 is 6 , so we divide both the numerator and denominator by that.
And so $\frac{12}{30}$ can be simplified to $\frac{2}{5}$

| $\frac{9}{81}$ | $\frac{8}{60}$ | $\frac{15}{100}$ | $\frac{60}{8}$ | $\frac{6}{63}$ |
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$1 \frac{3}{4}$
$\frac{7}{4}$

There are 3 types of fractions:

| Converting <br> Mixed <br> to | Example: Convert $3 \frac{2}{5}$ to an improper fraction. |
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| Improper Add that to the numerator: <br>  $15+2=17$ <br>  Then write that result above the denominator: $\frac{17}{5}$ |  |

$2 \frac{2}{3}$
$3 \frac{3}{4}$

Converting Improper
to
Mixed

Example: Convert $\frac{11}{4}$ to a mixed fraction.
$\frac{14}{4}$
Divide:
$11 \div 4=2$ with a remainder of 3
Write down the 2 and then write down the remainder (3) $\frac{113}{3}$

How do you add, subtract, multiply, or divide Mixed Fractions?

1) Convert them to Improper Fractions
2) Follow the rules of $A / S / M / D$
3) Convert result back to Mixed Fraction

Example: What is $2 \frac{3}{4}+3 \frac{1}{2}$ ?
Convert to Improper Fractions: $2 \frac{3}{4}=\frac{11}{4} \quad 3 \frac{1}{2}=\frac{7}{2}$
Common denominator of 4: $\quad \frac{11}{4}$ stays as $\frac{11}{4} \quad \frac{7}{2}$ becomes $\frac{14}{4}$
(by multiplying top and bottom by 2)

Now Add: $\frac{11}{4}+\frac{14}{4}=\frac{25}{4}$
Convert back to Mixed Fractions: $\quad \frac{25}{4}=6 \frac{1}{4}$
$2 \frac{2}{3}+3 \frac{3}{4}$
$3 \frac{3}{4}+4 \frac{4}{5}$

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4 \frac{4}{5}+5 \frac{5}{6}
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