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## Math 701 Integers

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## Integers

## Introduction

Mathematics 700 is designed to prepare juniorhigh students for Pre-algebra. This course focuses on strengthening needed skills in problem solving, number sense, and proportional reasoning. It also introduces students to integers, equations, and geometric concepts. Students will begin to see the "big picture" of mathematics and learn how numeric, algebraic, and geometric concepts are woven together to build a foundation for higher mathematical thinking.

By the end of the course, students will be expected to do the following:

- Gain an increased awareness of how math is a life skill.
- Understand how math gives us different ways to model or express the same thing.
- Explore concepts taught in previous math courses, but at higher levels, applying the concepts to real world situations.


## Objectives

Read these objectives. The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have successfully completed this LIFEPAC. When you have finished this LIFEPAC, you should be able to:

- Locate integers on the number line.
- Compare and order integers.
- Determine absolute value.
- Add, subtract, multiply, and divide integers.
- Use integers to solve word problems.
- Define the real number system and its properties.
- Use exponents.
- Use the order of operations to simplify expressions.


## 1. Integers

## Integers on the Number Line



## Objectives

- Represent positive and negative values.
- Locate integers on the number line.


## VOCABULARY

infinite-increasing or decreasing without end
integer-a number belonging to the set made up of the whole numbers and their opposites
natural number-a number belonging to the set made up of the counting numbers: 1,2, 3, and so on
negative number-a number that is less than zero
number line-a line that graphically represents all numbers
point—a dot that marks a location on a graph
positive number-a number that is greater than zero
whole number-a number belonging to the set made up of zero and the natural numbers

What did Carlton mean when he said that Ondi has "less than no money"? Well, not only does she have zero dollars, but she actually owes a dollar. As soon as she earns a dollar, she'll have to pay it back to Carlton. So right now, Ondi actually has less than zero dollars

Connections! Can you think of any other situations in which you can have a value that is less than zero? Think about temperature. In many places in the world, the temperature gets below zero, or less than zero!

Special signs are used to show whether a number is positive or negative. Up until now, the numbers you have worked with had no sign in front of them. That means that they were positive numbers. Positive numbers can either have no sign or a positive sign (+) in front of the digit. But negative numbers must have a negative sign $(-)$ in front of the digit. For example, +3 or 3 can be used to represent "positive three." "Negative three" is represented as -3.

Words can also be used to show if a number is positive or negative. Phrases like "above zero," "more than zero," or "greater than zero" indicate positive numbers. Phrases such as "below zero" and "less than zero" indicate negative numbers.

Think about it! What about the number zero? Is it positive or negative? Actually, it's neither. Zero is the only number that doesn't have a sign.

## Example:

- What are some ways to represent the number 4?

Solution:

- A digit with no sign represents a positive number. So 4 can also be expressed as +4 , positive four, four above zero, four more than zero, or four greater than zero.
The different groups of positive and negative numbers have special names. The counting numbers, like 1, 2, 3, and so on, are called natural numbers. The whole numbers are exactly the same as the natural numbers except that the group also includes zero. You have probably worked a lot with these sets of numbers. Now you'll also be working with the integers. The integers include both the positive counting
numbers, the negative numbers, and zero. So numbers like -8, 4, 0, and -2 are all considered integers.

Integers can be represented visually on a number line. A number line is just a graph that is used to represent numbers. Here's an example:


The arrows on each end of the number line mean that this line continues forever in both directions. That's because the set of integers continues forever. It is infinite. Also, notice that numbers to the right of zero are positive and numbers to the left of zero are negative.

Right now, the number line above is empty. No specific integers have been graphed. To graph a specific integer, use a point. A point is a dot on the line that represents the location of a specific number. For example, on the following number line, the point shown represents the number three.


Key point! A number line with no points is like an empty game board. You place a game piece on the board to represent your specific location on the board. On a number line, you place a point to represent the location of a specific number.

Points on the number line are often labeled using a single letter. For example, in the following number line, point $P$ is located at -2 .


## Example:

- Which point represents the number -1? (Note: Each tick represents 1.)



## Solution:

- Negative numbers are to the left of zero. Negative one is one place to the left of zero, so B represents -1 .
Look at one more example.


## Example:

- Which point is represented by the point D? (Note: Each tick represents 1.)



## Solution:

- Positive numbers are to the right of zero. Point $D$ is three places to the right of zero, so 3 is represented by point $D$.


## Let's Review

Before going on to the practice problems, make sure you understand the main points of this lesson:

- Positive numbers are greater than zero. Negative numbers are less than zero.
- The set of integers includes the positive counting numbers, the negative numbers, and zero.
- Integers can be graphed as points on a number line.

Use the number line to answer the following questions. Each tick represents 1.


### 1.1 Point H is located at -6. <br> O True <br> O False

1.2 Point N is three more than zero.

O True
O False
1.3 Point K is four less than zero.

O True
○ False
1.4 Point $L$ is located at 1.

O True
O False
1.5 Points $H, J, K, L$, and $M$ are negative.

O True
O False
1.6 Points N and P are positive.

○ True
○ False
1.7 Which of the following cannot be used to express the number 8 ?
$\square$ eight more than zero
$\square+8$eight below zeropositive eight
1.8 Which of the following cannot be used to express the number -6?
$\square$ six below zeronegative six
$\square$ six less than zerosix above zero
1.9 Which of the following can be used to describe the location that is 9 units to the right of zero on the number line?
$\square$ negative ninenine less than zeropositive nine
1.10 How would you graph a point at -5?
$\square$ Put a point 5 units to the right of zero.
$\square$ Put a point 5 units to the left of zero.
$\square$ Put a point at zero.

Complete the following activities.
1.11 Draw a number line and use point N to represent the number 2 .
1.12 Draw a number line and use point $P$ to represent the number -1 .

Use the game board below like a number line to answer the following 3 questions. The pawn represents zero on a number line. Each space represents 1.

1.13 Which space corresponds with -2 on the number line? $\qquad$
1.14 Which space corresponds with 3 on the number line? $\qquad$
1.15 What value is represented by space A on the game board? $\qquad$

## Comparing and Ordering Integers

Suppose you're on a game show where you have to answer questions to win points, and the questions get harder as you go. The current category is "Name the Larger Number." The first couple questions are really easy. Check them out:

Question: Which number is larger: 13 or 7?
Answer: 13
Question: Which number is larger: 8 or 0 ?
Answer: 8
Now it's on to the third question. Do you know the answer?

Question: Which number is larger: 4 or -7?

## Answer: ?

In this lesson, you'll be comparing integers and using special symbols to show how two numbers are related to each other.


## Objectives

- Compare two integers using inequality symbols.
- Put a group of integers in order.


## VOCABULARY

inequality—statement showing a relationship between numbers that are not necessarily equal; uses the symbols $>,<, \geq$, $\leq$, or $\neq$

How do you know which number is larger when one of them is a negative number? You can use money to help you figure it out. In terms of money, a positive number means you have that much money. A negative number means you owe that much money. So a positive 4 means that you have four dollars. A -7 means that you owe seven dollars. Which is greater: having \$4 or owing \$7? Of course having any money at all is always going to be more
than owing money! Any positive number is larger than any negative number, no matter what the numerals are. So the answer to the last question is 4 because 4 is larger than -7.

What if the questions continue to get harder? How about comparing two negative numbers? Look at the following question.

Question: Which number is larger: -6 or -3?

## Answer: ?

Are you stumped by this one? Use the number line, rather than money, to help you this time.


First, look at the positive numbers. What happens as you move to the right on the number line? The positive numbers get larger, right? What happens as you move to the left? The positive numbers get smaller. The same is true for negative numbers. As you move to the right on the number line, the negative numbers get larger. As you move to the left, the negative numbers get smaller. That means that if you're comparing two numbers, the number that is farther to the right on the number line is the larger number.

Now go back to the previous question. Which number is farther to the right on the number line: -6 or -3? Negative three is, so it's the larger number.


It may seem odd that -3 is larger than -6. You've always been taught that larger numerals have a larger value. That's true, but only with positive numbers. Negative numbers are the opposite of positive numbers. With a negative number, the larger the numeral after the negative sign, the smaller the value. Think of it in terms of money again. The more money you owe (or the larger the numeral), the less money you have in terms of value.

Key point! The number line can be used to compare numbers. Numbers to the right are larger than numbers to the left.

Before you try an example, review what you've found so far:

- Positive numbers are larger than negative numbers.
- With negative numbers, the larger numeral has the smaller value.
- With positive numbers, the larger numeral has the larger value.
- Numbers to the right on the number line are larger than the numbers to the left.
What about zero? Where does it fit in? By definition, negative numbers are less than zero, and positive numbers are greater than zero.

Remember: Zero is greater than negative numbers and less than positive numbers.

## Example:

- Put the following numbers in order from smallest to largest.
- $7,-1,0,-8,9$


## Solution:

- This group of numbers has both negative and positive numbers. Using the rules, your list will start with the negative numbers, followed by zero, and then end with the positive numbers. Look at the negative numbers first. According to the rule, the larger numeral has the smaller value. So -8 is smaller than -1. The number 0 comes next in your list, followed by the positive numbers. With positive numbers, the larger numeral has the larger value. So 9 is larger than 7.
- The correct order is $-8,-1,0,7,9$.

How can you check your answer to see if it's correct? Use the number line! Your list is in the correct order if the numbers move from left to right on the number line.


Besides making a list, there is another way you can show the relationship between numbers. An inequality is a math sentence that uses special symbols to show how two numbers are related. In this lesson, you'll use just two of those symbols-the "greater than" symbol (>) and the "less than" symbol $(<)$. The rule to help you know which symbol to use is that the opening of the symbol always faces the larger number.

For example, earlier you compared the numbers -3 and -6 and found that -3 is larger than -6. There are two sentences you can create to show this relationship:

- $-3>-6$ - "Negative three is greater than negative six."
- $-6<-3$ - "Negative six is less than negative three."

Notice that in each sentence the opening of the symbol faces -3 because it is the larger number. Take a look at a few more examples.

## Example:

- Complete the sentence with the correct inequality symbol.
- -5 __ 0

Solution:

- $-5<0$


## Example:

- Complete the sentence with the correct inequality symbol.
- -23 $\qquad$ -26


## Solution:

- $-23>-26$


## Example:

- Complete the sentence with the correct inequality symbol.
- 18 _ 16


## Solution:

- $18>16$

Example:

- Complete the sentence with the correct inequality symbol.
- 4 $\qquad$ $-7$


## Solution:

- $4>-7$


## Let's Review

Before going on to the practice problems, make sure you understand the main points of this lesson:

- All positive numbers are larger than negative numbers.
- On the number line, numbers to the right are larger than numbers to the left.
- Negative numbers are the opposite of positive numbers. With negative numbers, the larger numeral has the smaller value.


## Self Test 1: Integers

Complete the following activities (4 points, each numbered activity).
1.01 Select all that apply. Which of the following phrases can be used to represent 7?
$\square$ the opposite of -7seven above zerothe absolute value of 7
$\square$ the absolute value of -7
$\square$ seven less than zero
$\square$ positive seven
1.02 Which of the following phrases can be used to represent -11?
$\square$ positive eleven
$\square$ eleven greater than zero
$\square$ the opposite of -11
$\square$ eleven below zero
1.03 Select all that apply. Which symbols could be used to make the following statement true? -15 $\qquad$ -19$>$
$\square \geq$<
$\square \leq$
$\neq$
1.04 Select all that apply. Which symbols could be used to make the following statement true? $|-8| \ldots|8|$<
$\square \geq$ $\square \leq$=

## >

$\neq$1.05 The absolute value of 9 is 9 .

○ True
O False
1.06 Positive numbers are located to the left of zero on the number line.
O True
O False
1.07 If a number is located farther right on the number line than another, then it is larger.
O True
O False
$1.08 \quad 0>-8$
○ True
○ False
1.09 The opposite of 1 is -1 .

○ True
○ False
$1.010-4 \geq 1$
○ True
O False
1.011 Negative numbers do not need the negative sign (-) in front of them.
○ True
O False
1.012 Which of the following is in order from smallest to largest?$-1,-11,3,9,12$$-11,-1,3,9,12$
$\square-1,3,9,-11,-12$$12,9,3,-11,-1$

Use the number line to answer the questions. Each tick represents 1.

1.013 Which point is located at 4?B
$\square \mathrm{A}$
Dnone of these
1.014 Which point is located at -4 ?B
A
$\square \mathrm{D}$none of these
1.015 Find $|-65|$.
$\square 65$-650
1.016 Which of the following is in order from largest to smallest?
$\square|-13|, 0,4,|5|$
$\square 0,4,|5|,|-13|$
$\square|5|, 4,0,|-13|$
$\square|-13|,|5|, 4,0$
1.017 Explain how you would graph point $P$ at -3 on a number line.

Complete each number sentence with $\leq$ or $\geq$.
$1.018|-3| \ldots-{ }^{-10 \mid}$
$1.020|5| \ldots \_1$
$1.019|4| \ldots|2|$

Put each set of numbers in order from smallest to largest.
$1.021-4,5,6,|-7|,-8,|9|, 10,-11,-12,13 \quad 1.022|-2|, 3,-4,-6,|10|,-11,|-14|, 18$

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