Comparing and Ordering 1-1 Integers

What You'll Learn

To compare and order integers and to find and add opposites

New Vocabulary integers, opposites

Why Learn This?

Most shipwrecks lie under water. You can use integers to describe distances above and below sea level.

Integers are the set of positive whole numbers, their opposites, and zero. The wreck of La Belle, a ship from the 1600s, lies 12 feet below sea level off the coast of Texas. You



can use -12 to describe the wreck's depth.

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EXAMPLE Finding an Opposite

Find the opposite of −12.



The opposite of -12 is 12, because -12 and +12 are both twelve units from 0, but in opposite directions.

Talk with your table partners about these: What is the opposite of 23? What is the opposite of one-half? What is the opposite of (-15)? Find the opposite of -8 -1/8 1/8 Find the opposite of 13 (A) 31 -31

The sum of a number and its opposite is zero.

This simple sentence is really a big deal. Anytime you can match up a number with its opposite when adding, they cancel out and give you a sum of zero.

A number and its opposite are called additive inverses.

EXAMPLE Adding Opposites



What is the sum of -3 plus 3?

-3 and 3 are opposites, so they are additive inverses.

-3 + 3 = 0

Talk with your table partners about not only the answer to this problem, but also WHY you got your answer.

 \bigcirc Find the sum of -5 and 5. 0



What is the opposite of -2? Text in your number answer now.

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You can compare and order integers by graphing.

EXAMPLE Comparing Integers

3 Compare -7 and 1 using <, =, or >.

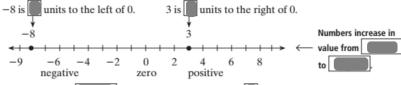
-7 is 7 units to the left of 0. 1 is 1 unit to the right of 0. Numbers increase in

value from left to right

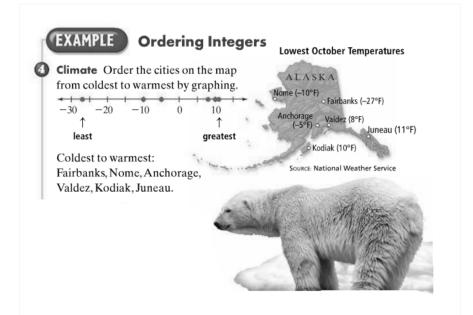
zero positive

Since -7 is to the left of 1 on the number line, -7 < 1.

3 Comparing Integers Compare 3 and -8 using <, =, or >.



Since 3 is to the of -8 on the number line, 3 - 8.





Order the numbers 3, -1, -4, 2 from least to greatest

- A -4, -1, 2, 3
- B 3, 2, -1, -4
- © -1, 2, 3, -4
- D -4, 2, 3, -1



How are integers different from whole numbers?

- Integers do not include negative numbers.
- (B) Whole numbers include fractions.
- Whole numbers do not include negative numbers.
- Integers include zero.



Which number in this pair is farther away from zero? 4, -5





Not given

Extra practice

Find the opposite of each number. You may find a number line helpful.

13. −8

14. 15

15. 11

17. −45

18. 20

19. −20

20. -123

21. 160

Extra practice

Compare using <, =, or >.

32. $0 \blacksquare -2$ **33.** $-6 \blacksquare -3$ **34.** $-14 \blacksquare 14$ **35.** $-23 \blacksquare 0$

36. $-4 \blacksquare -5$ **37.** $17 \blacksquare -18$ **38.** $7 \blacksquare -12$ **39.** $5 \blacksquare -1$

Extra practice

Order the numbers from least to greatest.

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$$-4, 8, -2, -6, 3$$