

## Basics of Algebra : Practice Activity

1. What is the order of operations?  
fill in the list. The first operation is done for you:

P parentheses/other grouping symbols

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2. Multiplication, division, addition and subtraction are solved:

a. right to left

b. left to right

3. what is  $x^2 - 3x + 8 \div y^2$  if  $x = 3$  and  $y = 8$ ?

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Cont.

4.  $x^3 + 4x - 2y \cdot 3 =$   
if  $x=4$  and  $y=6$ ?

5. What is the difference between a numerical and algebraic expression?

6. Amy runs 6 miles per hour. Write an algebraic expression for the number of miles she runs in  $t$  hours.

7. Max makes 7 origami birds an hour. Write an algebraic expression that will show this. Then, calculate how long it will take him to make 26.

## Basics of Algebra: Practice Activity Cont.

8. word bank

less than  
greater than or equal to  
than or equal to  
than or equal to

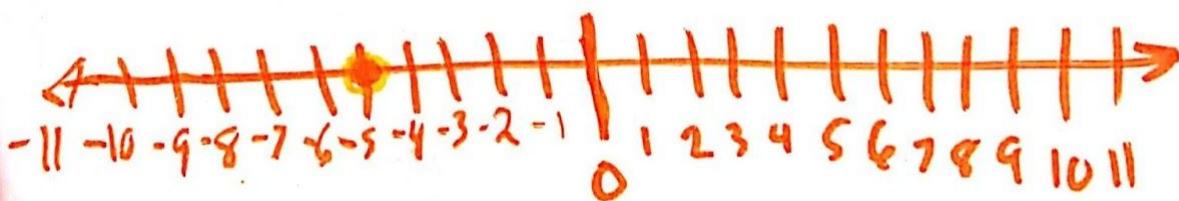
$\leq$     $>$     $<$     $\geq$

9.  $2.25$  belongs to which sets of real numbers?

10.  $\sqrt{2}$  belongs to which sets of real numbers?

11.  $-\frac{8}{72}$  belongs to which sets of real numbers?

12. order:  $\sqrt{3}$ ,  $-5$ ,  $\frac{9}{6}$ ,  $-\frac{7}{5}$ ,  $1.6$ , and  $\frac{3}{5}$   
one point is done for you:



## Basics of Algebra : Practice Activity Cont.

13. Identify the properties being used below:

a.  $8 + 0 = 8$  \_\_\_\_\_

b.  $(2 + 4) + 8 = 2 + (4 + 8)$  \_\_\_\_\_

c.  $6 \cdot 0 = 0$  \_\_\_\_\_

d.  $-3 \cdot -6 = 18$  \_\_\_\_\_

e.  $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3$  \_\_\_\_\_

14. True or False? or Open?

a.  $8 - 4 = 1 + 3$

b.  $20 - 8 = 6 + 18$

c.  $16 - 6 = 3 + 6$

d.  $5y - 4 = 2y + 8$

15.  $3x + 7 = 16$  solve for x

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16. rewrite and simplify using the distributive property:

$$\frac{8x+3}{4}$$

17. Simplify:  $8x+3x - 12x^2 - 8x$

18. Simplify:  $4 - 6x^2 + 2x - 3x^2 \times 2$

19.  $4(8x^2 - 2) + 6x^2 + 8$

# Basics of Algebra: Answer Key

1. look at notes!

8.  $\leq$ ,  $>$ ,  $<$ ,  $\geq$   
less than, greater

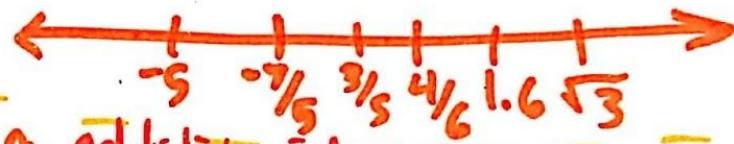
2. b. left to right, to  
or equal, than, less, greater  
than, than or equal to

3.  $3^2 - 9 + 8 \div 64$  9. Real, Rational

$9 - 9 + 8 \div 64$  10. Irrational

$9 - 9 + \frac{1}{8}$  11. Rational

12.  $\frac{1}{8}$



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13. a. additive identity

b. associative

c. multiplication zero

d. multiply by  $-1$  = opposite

e. commutative

5. an algebraic expression has variables

14. a. true

b. false

c. false

d. open

6.  $6x$

15.  $x=3$

16.  $2x+\frac{3}{5}$

17.  $3x-12x^2$

18.  $-9x^2+2xy$

19.  $38x^2$

7.  $7x$

around 3.7 hours

