

## Lesson Title 1.8 Properties of Real Numbers

Bridge to ALG 2

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### Using the Commutative Property

- Addition:  $a + b = b + a$
- Multiplication:  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

\*\*\* Subtraction is NOT commutative!!!\*\*\*

$$3 - 5 \neq 5 - 3$$

Task 1: Use a commutative property to complete each statement.

a)  $x + 5 = \underline{5+x}$     b)  $3(x) = \underline{x(3)}$

c)  $x(8) = \underline{8x}$     d)  $x + 17 = \underline{17+x}$

Task 3: Simplify each expression.

a)  $\underline{10} + (\underline{x+12})$   
 $x+22$

b)  $-3(7x)$   
 $\underline{-21x}$

c)  $(\underline{5+x}) + 9$   
 $x+14$

d)  $5(\underline{-6x})$   
 $\underline{-30x}$

### Using the Associative Property

- Addition:  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
- $2 + (3 + 4) = (2 + 3) + 4$
- Multiplication:  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$
- $2 \cdot (3 \cdot 4) = (2 \cdot 3) \cdot 4$

\*\*\*HELPFUL HINT\*\*\*

Commutative property deals with the ORDER of numbers.  
Associative property deals with the GROUPING of numbers.

Task 2: Use the associative property to complete each statement.

- a)  $5 + (4 + 6) = \underline{(5+4)+6}$
- b)  $(-1 \cdot 2) \cdot 5 = \underline{-1(2 \cdot 5)}$
- c)  $(2 + 9) + 7 = \underline{2+(9+7)}$
- d)  $-4 \cdot (2 \cdot 7) = \underline{(-4 \cdot 2)(7)}$

## Using the Distributive Property

$$a(b + c) = ab + ac \quad 7(2 + 4) = 7(2) + 7(4)$$

Task 4: Use the distributive property to write each expression without parentheses. Then simplify if possible.

a)  $2(x + y)$

$$2x + 2y$$

c)  $5(x + 3y - z)$

$$5x + 15y - 5z$$

d)  $-1(2 - y)$

$$-2 + y$$

f)  $\frac{1}{2}(6x + 14) + 10$

$$\underline{\underline{3x + 7 + 10 = 3x + 17}}$$

e)  $-(3 + x - w)$

$$-3 - x + w$$

Task 6: Use the distributive property to write each sum as a product.

a)  $5(w) + 5(3)$

$$5(w + 3)$$

b)  $9w + 9z$

$$9(w + z)$$

d)  $7s + 7t$

$$7(s + t)$$

c)  $8(2) + 8(x)$

$$8(2 + x)$$

## Identities for Addition and Multiplication

- **0** is the **identity element for addition** because anything + 0 remains the same as it started.
- **1** is the **identity element for multiplication** because anything times 1 remains the same as it started.

## Additive or Multiplicative Inverses

- The numbers  $a$  &  $-a$  are **additive inverses or opposites** of each other because their **sum is 0**.
- The numbers  $b$  &  $\frac{1}{b}$  are **reciprocals or multiplicative inverses** of each other because their **product is 1**.

## Summary

- Distributive property
  - Opposites or additive inverses
  - Reciprocals or multiplicative inverses
  - Associative POM
  - Associative POA
  - Commutative POM
  - Commutative POA
- $x + 5 = 5 + x$  is a true statement by the g.
  - $x \cdot 5 = 5 \cdot x$  is a true statement by the f.
  - $3(y + 6) = 3y + 3(6)$  is true by the a.
  - $2(x \cdot y) = (2x)y$  is a true statement by the d.
  - $x + (7 + y) = (x + 7) + y$  is a true statement by the e.
  - The numbers  $-\frac{2}{3}$  and  $-\frac{3}{2}$  are called c.
  - The numbers  $-\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  are called b.

Still need help with: