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Module 1 Number Sense
Lesson 1 Order of Operations

Lesson Objectives

- Apply rules for Order of Operations to equations with whole numbers and parentheses.
- Apply rules for Order of Operations to equations with whole numbers and with or without parentheses, brackets, or exponents.
- Apply rules for Order of Operations to rational numbers.

Subtopic 1 Order of Operations (PEMDAS)

In the Order of Operations, PEMDAS stands for:

Parentheses or other grouping symbols () [] { }

Exponents n^3

Multiplication \times

Division \div

Addition $+$

Subtraction $-$

Parentheses (), brackets [] and braces { } are grouping symbols.

Subtopic 2 Order of Operations Involving No Parentheses

Evaluate:

1 $20 - 7 \times 2 + 1$
7

2 $14 + 6 \div 2 \times 3$
23

Subtopic 3 Order of Operations Involving Parentheses

3 $8 + 2 \times (4 - 3)$
10

4 $56 - (4 + 1) \times 6$
26

Subtopic 4**Order of Operations Involving Grouping Symbols and Exponents**

When grouping symbols are inside grouping symbols, they are called nested grouping symbols.

In the expression 2^3 , 3 is an exponent and 2 is a base.

Evaluate:

5 $2[4(6 - 3)] - 10$
14

6 $2^3 \div 8 + 2(4 - 2)$
5