

Adding and Subtracting Negative Numbers - Worksheet

Skill

Group A - Adding and subtracting with negative numbers

Work out the answer to each calculation:

1) $2 - 3$

2) $3 - 2$

3) $-2 - 3$

4) $-3 - 2$

5) $-2 + 3$

6) $-3 + 2$

7) $8 - 5$

8) $5 - 8$

9) $-8 - 5$

10) $-5 - 8$

11) $-8 + 5$

12) $-5 + 8$

Group B - Adding and subtracting with negative numbers (double signs)

Work out the answer to each sum or difference:

1) $6 + (-2)$

2) $6 - (-2)$

3) $0 + (-4)$

4) $0 - (-4)$

5) $2 + (-5)$

6) $2 - (-5)$

7) $4 + (-4)$

8) $4 - (-4)$

9) $(-6) + (-2)$

10) $(-6) - (-2)$

11) $(-4) + (-4)$

12) $(-4) - (-4)$

Group C - Adding and subtracting with negative numbers (mixed operations)

Determine the value of each calculation:

1) $10 + 4 - 6$

2) $10 - 4 + 6$

3) $8 + 3 - 15$

4) $10 - 4 - 6$

5) $8 - 3 - 15$

6) $-8 - 3 - 15$

7) $-10 - 4 - 6$

8) $-10 + 4 + 6$

9) $-8 + 3 - 15$

10) $-8 + 3 + 15$

11) $-8 - 3 + 15$

12) $-10 + 4 - 6$

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Applied

- 1) At midnight, the temperature in London was -2°C .
At 9am, the temperature was 5°C .

By how many degrees did the temperature rise?

- 2) The temperature at 6pm is 8°C .
At 6am the next morning the temperature has dropped to -7°C .

How many degrees has the temperature fallen by?

- 3) In the magic squares below, the numbers in any column, row or diagonal add up to give the same answer.

Complete each magic square.

(a)

-3	-8	-1
-7		-5

(b)

-2		-1
3		
1		

- 4) (a) Write down a number that is 5 less than 2

(b) Write down a number that is 2 more than -9

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- 1) (a) Calculate $4 - 7$

.....
(1)

- (b) Calculate $12 + - 4$

.....
(1)

- (c) Calculate $- 5 - 3$

.....
(1)

- (d) Calculate $- 12 + 31$

.....
(1)
(4 marks)

- 2) The temperature was recorded at different times on 1st January.

Time	Temperature
Midnight	-6°C
4am	-10°C
8am	-4°C
Noon	7°C
3pm	6°C
7pm	-2°C

- (a) Write down the highest temperature.

..... $^{\circ}\text{C}$
(1)

- (b) Write down the lowest temperature.

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- (c) Work out the difference in temperature between 4am and 8am.

.....°C
(1)

- (d) Work out the difference in temperature between 3pm and 7pm.

.....°C
(1)

- (e) At 11pm that day the temperature had fallen by 5°C from its value at 7pm.

Work out the temperature at 11pm.

.....°C
(1)
(5 marks)

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- 3) Below is an arithmetic number sequence:

 y -3 -7 x

- (a) What is the term to term rule for this sequence?

.....
(1)

- (b) Calculate the value of x .

.....
(1)

- (c) Calculate the value of y .

.....
(1)
(3 marks)

Adding and Subtracting Negative Numbers - Answers

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	Skill Questions	
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Group C	Determine the value of each calculation:	
	1) $10 + 4 - 6$	1) 8
	2) $10 - 4 + 6$	2) 12
	3) $8 + 3 - 15$	3) - 4
	4) $10 - 4 - 6$	4) 0
	5) $8 - 3 - 15$	5) - 10
	6) $- 8 - 3 - 15$	6) - 26
	7) $- 10 - 4 - 6$	7) - 20
	8) $- 10 + 4 + 6$	8) 0
	9) $- 8 + 3 - 15$	9) - 20
	10) $- 8 + 3 + 15$	10) 10
	11) $- 8 - 3 + 15$	11) 4
	12) $- 10 + 4 - 6$	12) - 12

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Adding and Subtracting Negative Numbers - Mark Scheme

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(b)	Calculate $12 + - 4$	(b) 8	(1)														
(c)	Calculate $- 5 - 3$	(c) $- 8$	(1)														
(d)	Calculate $- 12 + 31$	(d) 19	(1)														
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3)	Below is an arithmetic number sequence: $\underline{\quad y \quad} \quad \underline{\quad -3 \quad} \quad \underline{\quad -7 \quad} \quad \underline{\quad x \quad}$		
(a)	What is the term to term rule for this sequence?	(a) Subtract 4 (or -4)	(1)
(b)	Calculate the value of x .	(b) $-7 - 4 = -11$	(1)
(c)	Calculate the value of y .	(c) $-3 + 4 = 1$	(1)

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