

# **NCERT SOLUTIONS**

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### Exercise 1.1

Q1 Using appropriate properties find.

$$(i) -\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} \quad (ii) \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5}$$

Answer. (i)

$$-\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} = -\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2}$$

(Using commutativity of rational numbers)

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2} \quad (\text{Distributivity})$$

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{2 \times 2 + 1}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2} = \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2} = \left(\frac{-3+5 \times 3}{6}\right) = \left(\frac{-3+15}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{12}{6} = 2$$

$$(ii) \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \quad (\text{By commutativity})$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{14}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \quad (\text{By distributivity})$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \times \left(\frac{-3 \times 2 + 1}{14}\right) - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \times \left(\frac{-5}{14}\right) - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-4-7}{28} = \frac{-11}{28}$$

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Q2 Write the additive inverse of each of the following.

$$(i) \frac{2}{8} \quad (ii) \frac{-5}{9} \quad (iii) \frac{-6}{-5} \quad (iv) \frac{2}{-9} \quad (v) \frac{19}{-6}$$

Answer (i) Additive inverse =  $-\frac{2}{8}$

(ii) Additive inverse =  $\frac{5}{9}$

$$(iii) \frac{-6}{-5} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$\text{Additive inverse} = -\frac{6}{-5}$$

$$(iv) \frac{2}{-9} = \frac{-2}{9}$$

$$\text{Additive inverse} = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$(v) \frac{19}{-6} = \frac{-19}{6}$$

$$\text{Additive inverse} = \frac{19}{6}$$

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Q3 Verify that  $-(-x) = x$  for.

$$(i) x = \frac{11}{15} \quad (ii) x = -\frac{13}{17}$$

$$\text{Answer. } (i) x = \frac{11}{15}$$

$$\text{The additive inverse of } x = \frac{11}{15} \text{ is } -x = -\frac{11}{15} \text{ as } \frac{11}{15} + \left(-\frac{11}{15}\right) = 0$$

This equality

$$\frac{11}{15} + \left(-\frac{11}{15}\right) = 0$$

represents that the additive inverse of  $-\frac{11}{15}$  is 11 or it can be said that  $-(-\frac{11}{15}) = \frac{11}{15}$  i.e.,  $-(-x) = x$

$$(ii) x = -\frac{13}{17}$$

$$\text{The additive inverse of } x = -\frac{13}{17} \text{ is } -x = \frac{13}{17} \text{ as } -\frac{13}{17} + \frac{13}{17} = 0$$

This equality  $-\frac{13}{17} + \frac{13}{17} = 0$  represents that the additive inverse of  $\frac{13}{17}$  is  $-\frac{13}{17}$  i.e.,  $-(-x) = x$

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Q4 Find the multiplicative inverse of the following.

$$(i) -13 \quad (ii) \frac{-13}{19} \quad (iii) \frac{1}{5} \quad (iv) \frac{-5}{8} \times \frac{-3}{7} \quad (v) -1 \times \frac{-2}{5} \quad (vi) -1$$

$$\text{Answer. } (i) 13$$

$$\text{Multiplicative inverse} = \frac{1}{-13}$$

$$(ii) \frac{13}{-19}$$

$$\text{Multiplicative inverse} = -\frac{19}{13}$$

$$(iii) \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Multiplicative inverse} = 5$$

$$(iv) -\frac{5}{8} \times -\frac{3}{7} = \frac{15}{56}$$

$$\text{Multiplicative inverse} = \frac{56}{15}$$

$$(v) -1 \times -\frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\text{Multiplicative inverse} = \frac{5}{2}$$

(vi) -1

Multiplicative inverse = -1

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Q5 Name the property under multiplication used in each of the following.

(i)  $\frac{-4}{5} \times 1 = 1 \times \frac{-4}{5} = -\frac{4}{5}$  (ii)  $-\frac{13}{17} \times \frac{-2}{7} = \frac{-2}{7} \times \frac{-13}{17}$

(iii)  $\frac{-19}{29} \times \frac{29}{-19} = 1$

Answer. (i) 1 is the multiplicative identity.

(ii) Commutativity

(iii) Multiplicative inverse

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Q6 Multiply  $\frac{6}{13}$  by the reciprocal of  $\frac{-7}{16}$ .

Answer.  $\frac{6}{13} \times \left( \text{Reciprocal of } -\frac{7}{16} \right) = \frac{6}{13} \times -\frac{16}{7} = -\frac{96}{91}$

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Q7 Tell what property allows you to compute  $\frac{1}{3} \times \left( 6 \times \frac{4}{3} \right)$  as  $\left( \frac{1}{3} \times 6 \right) \times \frac{4}{3}$ 

Answer. Associativity

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Q8 Is  $\frac{8}{9}$  the multiplicative inverse of  $-1\frac{1}{8}$  ? Why or why not?

Answer. If it is the multiplicative inverse, then the product should be 1.

However, here, the product is not 1 as

$$\frac{8}{9} \times \left( -1\frac{1}{8} \right) = \frac{8}{9} \times \left( -\frac{9}{8} \right) = -1 \neq 1$$

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Q9 Is 0.3 the multiplicative inverse of  $3\frac{1}{3}$  ? Why or why not?

Answer.  $3\frac{1}{3} = \frac{10}{3}$

$$0.3 \times 3\frac{1}{3} = 0.3 \times \frac{10}{3} = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{10}{3} = 1$$
 Here, the product is 1. Hence, 0.3 is the multiplicative inverse of  $3\frac{1}{3}$

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Q10 Write.

- (i) The rational number that does not have a reciprocal.
- (ii) The rational numbers that are equal to their reciprocals.
- (iii) The rational number that is equal to its negative.

Answer. (i) 0 is a rational number but its reciprocal is not defined.  
 (ii) 1 and  $-1$  are the rational numbers that are equal to their reciprocals.  
 (iii) 0 is the rational number that is equal to its negative.

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Q11 Fill in the blanks.

- (i) Zero has \_\_\_\_\_ reciprocal.
- (ii) The numbers \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are their own reciprocals
- (iii) The reciprocal of  $-5$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (iv) Reciprocal of  $1/x$ , where  $x \neq 0$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (v) The product of two rational numbers is always a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (vi) The reciprocal of a positive rational number is \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer. (i) No

(ii) 1,  $-1$

(iii)  $-\frac{1}{5}$

(iv)  $x$

(v) Rational number

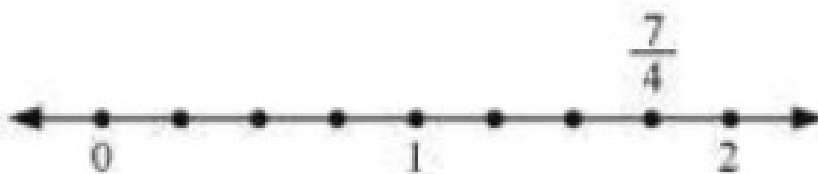
(vi) Positive rational number

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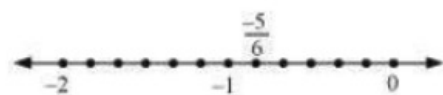
### Exercise 1.2

Q1 Represent these numbers on the number line. (i)  $\frac{7}{4}$  (ii)  $\frac{5}{6}$

Answer. (i)  $\frac{7}{4}$  can be represented on the number line as follows.



(ii)  $-\frac{5}{6}$  can be represented on the number line as follows.

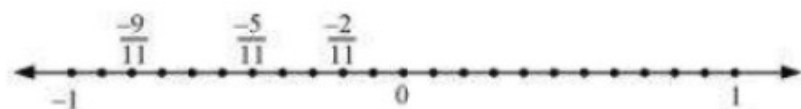


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Q2 Represent  $\frac{-2}{11}$ ,  $\frac{-5}{11}$ ,  $\frac{-9}{11}$  on the number line.

Answer.

$\frac{-2}{11}$ ,  $\frac{-5}{11}$ ,  $\frac{-9}{11}$  can be represented on the number line as follows.



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Q3 Write five rational numbers which are smaller than 2.

Answer. 2 can be represented as  $\frac{14}{7}$

Therefore, five rational numbers smaller than 2 are

$\frac{13}{7}$ ,  $\frac{12}{7}$ ,  $\frac{11}{7}$ ,  $\frac{10}{7}$ ,  $\frac{9}{7}$

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Q4 Find ten rational numbers between  $\frac{-2}{5}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$

Answer.  $\frac{-2}{5}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  can be represented as  $-\frac{8}{20}$  and  $\frac{10}{20}$  respectively.

Therefore, ten rational numbers between  $\frac{-2}{5}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  are

$-\frac{7}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{6}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{5}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{4}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{3}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{2}{20}$ ,  $-\frac{1}{20}$ ,  $0$ ,  $\frac{1}{20}$ ,  $\frac{2}{20}$

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Q5 Find five rational numbers between.

(i)  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$

(ii)  $\frac{-3}{2}$  and  $\frac{5}{3}$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$

Answer. (i)  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$  can be represented as  $\frac{30}{45}$  and  $\frac{36}{45}$  respectively.

Therefore, five rational numbers between  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$  are  $\frac{31}{45}, \frac{32}{45}, \frac{33}{45}, \frac{34}{45}, \frac{35}{45}$

(ii)  $-\frac{3}{2}$  and  $\frac{5}{3}$  can be represented as  $-\frac{9}{6}$  and  $\frac{10}{6}$  respectively

Therefore, five rational numbers between  $-\frac{3}{2}$  and  $\frac{5}{3}$  are  $-\frac{8}{6}, -\frac{7}{6}, -1, -\frac{5}{6}, -\frac{4}{6}$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  can be represented as  $\frac{8}{32}$  and  $\frac{16}{32}$

Therefore, five rational numbers between  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  are  $\frac{9}{32}, \frac{10}{32}, \frac{11}{32}, \frac{12}{32}, \frac{13}{32}$

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Q6 Write five rational numbers greater than -2.

Answer. -2 can be represented as  $-\frac{14}{7}$ .

Therefore, five rational numbers greater than -2 are

$-\frac{13}{7}, -\frac{12}{7}, -\frac{11}{7}, -\frac{10}{7}, -\frac{9}{7}$

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Q7 Find ten rational numbers  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

Answer.  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  can be represented as  $\frac{48}{80}$  and  $\frac{60}{80}$  respectively.

Therefore, ten rational numbers between  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  are

$\frac{49}{80}, \frac{50}{80}, \frac{51}{80}, \frac{52}{80}, \frac{53}{80}, \frac{54}{80}, \frac{55}{80}, \frac{56}{80}, \frac{57}{80}, \frac{58}{80}$

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