

CLASS 8 MATHEMATICS – Extra Questions for Practice

RATIONAL NUMBERS – Chapter 1

1. Find $\frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{3}{7} + \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{3}{14}$.

2. Find $\frac{-3}{7} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-8}{9}$.

3. Write the additive inverse of the following:

i) $\frac{-8}{9}$

ii) $\frac{21}{22}$

iii) $\frac{-32}{-35}$

4. Write any three rational numbers between -2 and 2.

5. Find a rational number between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

6. Find three rational numbers between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$.

7. Find the multiplicative inverse of

i) -15

ii) $\frac{-2}{5}$

8. Name the property in each of the following:

i) $\frac{-2}{3} + \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{7} + \frac{-2}{3}$

ii) $\frac{-7}{3} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{-7}{3}$

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

9. Multiply $\frac{7}{13}$ by the reciprocal of $\frac{-2}{7}$.

10. Tell what property allows you to compute

$$\frac{-2}{5} \times \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{5}\right) \text{ as } \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{4}{5}.$$

ANSWERS:

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad & \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{3}{7} + \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{3}{14} = \frac{-2}{5} \times \left(\frac{3}{7} + \frac{3}{14}\right) \text{ (By distributive property)} \\ & = \frac{-2}{5} \times \left(\frac{3 \times 2}{7 \times 2} + \frac{3}{14}\right) \\ & = \frac{-2}{5} \times \left(\frac{6}{14} + \frac{3}{14}\right) \\ & = \frac{-2}{5} \times \frac{9}{14} \\ & = \frac{-18}{70}. \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{-3}{7} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-8}{9} = \frac{-3 \times 4 \times 2 \times -8}{7 \times 5 \times 3 \times 9} = \frac{192}{945}.$$

$$3. \text{ i) } \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\text{ii) } \frac{-21}{22}$$

$$4. -1, 0, 1$$

5. First convert to like fractions

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{1 \times 2}{4 \times 2} = \frac{2}{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1 \times 4}{2 \times 4} = \frac{4}{8}$$

So a rational number between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ is $\frac{3}{8}$.

6. First we need to convert to like fractions.

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 10}{3 \times 10} = \frac{10}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} = \frac{1 \times 6}{5 \times 6} = \frac{6}{30}$$

So the three rational numbers between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$ are $\frac{7}{30}, \frac{8}{30}, \frac{9}{30}$.

$$7. \text{ i) } \frac{-1}{15}$$

ii) $\frac{-5}{2}$

8. i) Commutativity of addition

ii) Commutativity of multiplication

iii) Associativity of addition.

9. Reciprocal of $\frac{-2}{7}$ is $\frac{-7}{2}$.

$$\frac{7}{13} \times \frac{-7}{2} = \frac{-49}{26}.$$

10. Distributive property of multiplication over addition.
