

Intermediate 1: Unit 3 Lesson 1

Properties of Variables

Commutative Property of Addition & Multiplication

Example: $2+3+4 = 3+2+4$ Addition.

$2 \cdot 3 = 3 \cdot 2$ Multiplication.

→ You can change the order & still get the same answer.

Associative Property of Addition & Multiplication

Example: $2+(3+4) = (2+3)+4$

$9 = 9$

$2 \cdot (3 \cdot 4) = (2 \cdot 3) \cdot 4$

$24 = 24$

→ You can change the grouping & still get the same answer.

Identity Property

of Addition:

Any # + 0 = itself.

$4+0 = 4$

of Multiplication:

Any # \cdot 1 = itself

$4 \cdot 1 = 4$

Multiplicative Property of zero:

Any # \cdot 0 = 0

$4 \cdot 0 = 0$

Variables

Evaluate if $a=3$ $b=5$ and $c=9$

① $a+b+c$

$$3+5+9$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$8+9$$

$$\boxed{17}$$

② $c+(b+a)$

$$9+(5+3)$$

$$9+8$$

$$\boxed{17}$$

③ $2a$

$$2 \cdot a$$

$$2 \cdot 3$$

$$\boxed{6}$$

NOT 23!

Evaluate if $x=8$ $y=2$ and $z=4$

④ xyz

$$x \cdot y \cdot z$$

$$8 \cdot 2 \cdot 4$$

$$16 \cdot 4$$

$$\boxed{64}$$

⑤ $\frac{x}{y}$

$$\frac{8}{2} = \boxed{4}$$

⑥ $\frac{2z+x}{y}$

$$\frac{2 \cdot 4 + 8}{2} = \frac{8+8}{2} = \frac{16}{2} = \boxed{8}$$

⑦ $2x+3y-z = 2 \cdot 8 + 3 \cdot 2 - 4$

$$16 + 6 - 4$$

$$22 - 4 = \boxed{18}$$

Evaluate if $x=-4$ $y=6$ and $z=5$

⑧ $3x^2$

$$3 \cdot x^2$$

$$3 \cdot (-4)^2$$

$$3 \cdot 16 = \boxed{48}$$

$$-4 \cdot -4$$

$$\boxed{16}$$

⑨ x^2y

$$x^2 \cdot y$$

$$(-4)^2 \cdot 6$$

$$16 \cdot 6$$

$$\boxed{96}$$

⑩ $x^3 - 2z$

$$(-4)^3 - 2 \cdot 5$$

$$-4 \cdot -4 \cdot -4$$

$$16 \cdot -4$$

$$-64 - 10$$

$$\boxed{-74}$$

⑪ $|xy - z|$

$$|-4 \cdot 6 - 5|$$

$$|-24 - 5|$$

$$|-29| = \boxed{29}$$