

Multiplying Rational Numbers

What rules do we use to multiply integers?

Indicate if the answer will be **negative** or **positive**. How do you know?

$$(-4) \times 3 = \quad \text{negative} \quad \img alt="green arrow pointing right" data-bbox="505 395 568 410"/>$$

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$$(-3) \times (-6) = \quad \text{positive}$$

$$2 \times 8 = \quad \text{positive}$$

When multiplying **integers** , we use the following rules

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$$(-) \times (+) = (-)$$

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$$(+) \times (+) = (+)$$

So, when the signs are **opposite** ,
the product is **negative**

and

when the signs are the **same**,
the product is **positive!**



What about
decimals???

When we have decimals
use a calculator!

Example 1

$$0.7 \times (-1.5)$$

$$-1.05$$

Example 2

$$(-1.45) \times (-3.56)$$


$$5.162$$

Now, let's take a look at **Fractions**.

What rules do we use to multiply fractions?

Evaluate the following expression.

How did you get your answer?


$$\frac{6}{5} \times \frac{8}{7} = \frac{6 \times 8}{5 \times 7} = \frac{48}{35}$$

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When multiplying fractions, we use this rule:

(top numbers)

Multiply the **numerator** by the **numerator**

then

Multiply the **denominator** by the **denominator**

bottom numbers

** Then, of course, REDUCE!! (if possible)

When we use brackets to write a product,
we do not need the multiplication sign!

We can write

$$\frac{3}{2} \times \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) \text{ as } \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)$$



AND

$$(-1.5) \times 1.8 \text{ as } (-1.5)(1.8)$$

Try these out!

★ Don't forget to **ALWAYS** reduce if possible!

Use what you know about multiplying integers & fractions to evaluate the following expressions.

$\left(\frac{7}{-4}\right) \times \frac{9}{2}$ $-\frac{63}{8}$	$9 \times (-3)$ -27	$\frac{9}{2} \times \left(\frac{-3}{10}\right)$ $-\frac{27}{20}$
$(-1.5) \times (-1.8)$ 2.7	$0.2 \times (-0.4)$ -0.08	$\left(-\frac{8}{3}\right) \times \left(-\frac{6}{5}\right)$ $+\frac{48}{15} = 3\frac{1}{5}$



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Questions

3, 4, 5, 7

If you see decimals just use your calculator,
don't bother predicting answers.

Multiplying Rational Numbers in Fraction Form

We should always try to reduce before we start the questions so we keep our numbers small

Determine the product:

$$\begin{array}{l} 11 \cancel{\downarrow} \\ 7 \cancel{\downarrow} \end{array} \left(-\frac{11}{7}\right) \left(-\frac{21}{44}\right) \begin{array}{l} \div 11 \\ \div 7 \end{array} = \frac{231}{308}$$

Look for common factors in the numerators and denominators.
11 and 44 have a common factor 11.
7 and 21 have a common factor 7.
Divide numerator and denominator by their common factors.

First, we simplify:

$$= \left(-\frac{\overset{1}{\cancel{11}}}{\underset{1}{\cancel{7}}}\right) \left(-\frac{\overset{3}{\cancel{21}}}{\underset{4}{\cancel{44}}}\right)$$



Then start multiplying

So, our new expression, looks like this:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-1 \times -3}{1 \times 4} \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

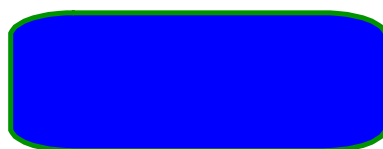
$$\left(\frac{-48}{15}\right) \left(\frac{35}{12}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{-4}{3}\right) \left(\frac{7}{1}\right) = -\frac{28}{3}$$
$$-9\frac{1}{3}$$

Multiplying Rational Numbers in mixed number Form

Determine the product.

$$\left(2\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(-1\frac{3}{4}\right)$$



Write the mixed numbers as improper fractions:

$$= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{7}{4}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{7}{\cancel{4}_1}\right)$$

$$= \frac{(2)(-7)}{(3)(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-14}{3}$$

$$= -4\frac{2}{3}$$



$$\begin{array}{cc} (-4\frac{2}{7}) & (-5\frac{2}{3}) \\ \left(\frac{-30}{7}\right) & \left(\frac{-17}{3}\right) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \left(\frac{-10}{7}\right) & \left(\frac{-17}{1}\right) \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{170}{7} = 24\frac{2}{7}$$

Multiplying Rational Numbers to Solve Problems



The price of a share in CIBC changed by $-\$1.57$ on March 4th, 2008.
Linda owns 43 shares.
By how much did Linda's shares change on that day?



The change in value is represented
by this expression:
 $-\$1.57 \times 43$.

Use a calculator.

$$-\$1.57 \times 43 = - \$67.51$$

The shares **lost** $\$67.51$ that day.



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Questions

**3, 4, 5ab, 6,7, 9, 11, 12, 14,15,
16ab**

Do not just write down answers show work.
You don't have to rewrite word problems but
for 11, 12 write out the questions (NOT JUST
THE ANSWERS)