UNIT 1: ROOTS AND POWERS

SECTION 4.2: IRRATIONAL NUMBERS (continued)

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NUMBERS, RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS 10

WHAT'S THE POINT OF TODAY'S LESSON?

We will continue working on the NRF 10 Specific Curriculum Outcome (SCO) "Algebra and Numbers 2" OR "AN2" which states:

"Demonstrate an understanding of irrational numbers by representing, identifying, simplifying and ordering irrational numbers."

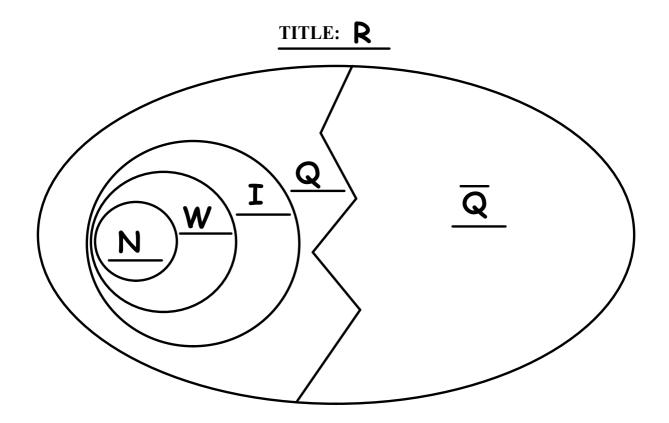


What does THAT mean???

SCO AN2 means that we will:

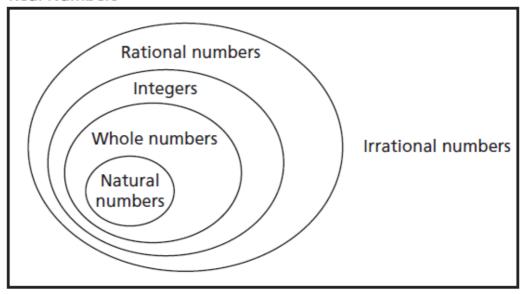
- * represent the relationships among the subsets of the real numbers (N, W, I, Q, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}) using a graphic organizer
- * identify irrational numbers in a group of numbers based on their specific properties
- * express radicals ($\sqrt{}$) as mixed radicals in simplest form [especially square roots ($\sqrt[4]{48}$) and cube roots ($\sqrt[3]{54}$)]
- * compare and order (largest vs smallest) irrational numbers



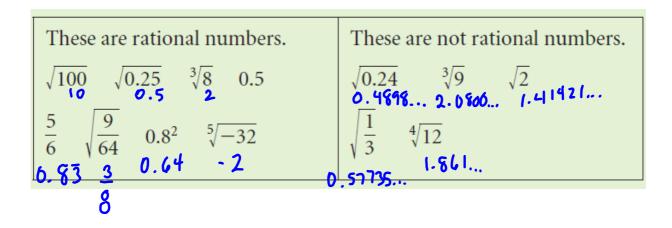


TEXTBOOK, PAGE 209:

Real Numbers



PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 207 IN YOUR TEXTBOOK. WORK WITH PARTNER TO DETERMINE HOW RADICALS THAT <u>ARE</u> RATIONAL NUMBERS ARE DIFFERENT FROM RADICALS THAT <u>ARE NOT</u> RATIONAL NUMBERS.



Q - RATIONAL NUMBERS

A number that can be expressed as the quotient of two integers; in other words, a rational number is any number that can be expressed as a fraction. The denominator cannot be 0. This includes all terminating and repeating decimal numbers.

Ex:
$$0.2, -0.2, 0.3, 4, -4, 0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{4}, \sqrt{9}, \sqrt[3]{64}...$$

Q - IRRATIONAL NUMBERS

A number that cannot be expressed as a quotient of integers; in other words, an irrational number is any number the atnot be expressed as a fraction. This includes all non-terminating and non-repeating decimals.

Ex:
$$\pi$$
 (3.141592...), 1.23456738..., $\sqrt{15}$, - π , ...

R-REAL NUMBERS

All rational and irrational numbers.

CONTINUE WORKING WITH YOUR PARTNER. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING RADICALS ARE: RATIONAL? IRRATIONAL?

$$\sqrt{1.44}$$
, $\sqrt{\frac{64}{81}}$, $\sqrt[3]{-27}$, $\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}}$, $\sqrt{5}$

IMPORTANT POINT - PAGE 208:

When an irrational number is written as a radical, the radical is the *exact* value of the irrational number; for example, $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt[3]{-50}$. We can use the square root and cube root keys on a calculator to determine approximate values of these irrational numbers.

√(2) 1.414213562 3∛(-50) -3.684031499

EXAMPLE:

Tell whether each number is rational or irrational. Explain how you know.

a)
$$-\frac{3}{5}$$
 b) $\sqrt{14}$ c) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{27}}$ 3.7416... $\frac{2}{3}$

YOU TRY!

Tell whether each number is rational or irrational. Explain how you know.

a)
$$\sqrt{\frac{49}{16}}$$
 b) $\sqrt[3]{-30}$ c) 1.21 $-3.167...$ \overline{Q}

EXAMPLE:

Order the following radicals from least to greatest.

$$\sqrt[3]{13}$$
, $\sqrt{18}$, $\sqrt{9}$, $\sqrt[4]{27}$, $\sqrt[3]{-5}$
2.351... 4.2426... 3 2.2795... -1.7099....

YOU TRY!

Order the following radicals from least to greatest.

$$\sqrt{2}$$
, $\sqrt[3]{-2}$, $\sqrt[3]{6}$, $\sqrt{11}$, $\sqrt[4]{30}$

CONCEPT REINFORCEMENT:

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